



Westridge Wildcat

October 16 - 20

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303-982-3950 Option #1

Main Office Number 303-982-3975
Visit our Website!

<http://westridge.jeffcopublicschools.org/>

[Westridge Family Calendar 2023-2024](#)

[Westridge Community Events Calendar 2023-2024](#)

Monday, October 16	2:35 – 3:30 Choir – Music Room 3:00 – 8:00 Fall Conferences
Tuesday, October 17	2:35 – 3:35 Wize Robotics – C3 2:35 – 3:40 Taekwondo – Gym 5:00 – 7:00 PTA Skate City Night
Wednesday, October 18	5:00 – 8:00 Fall Conference
Thursday, October 19	No School – Teacher Work Day
Friday, October 20	No School – Fall Break

Bike Rodeo

A bicycle rodeo is a fun way to teach children about the rules of the road while practicing safe bicycling. The rodeo consists of stations and courses where children can learn about bicycle safety and practice safe bicycle skills.

We would love to bring this back to Westridge, but need a volunteer or two to coordinate, plan, and facilitate on the day of. We have the date set for May 1 after school. We just need someone like you to help! Please contact Carla Cowan at carla.cowan@jeffco.k12.co.us if you're interested.

Watch D.O.G.S

Calling positive male role models!! Join us at Westridge Tuesday, October 24 at 6:30 to have pizza and hear about how to volunteer for our WatchDOGS program.

WATCH D.O.G.S.® (Dads Of Great Students) is a family and community engagement educational initiative.

There are 2 primary goals of the WATCH D.O.G.S. program:

1. To provide positive male role models for the students, demonstrating by their presence that education is important.
2. To provide extra sets of eyes and ears to enhance school security and reduce bullying.

Volunteers

We are always looking for parents who can help cut, laminate, copy, and sort math materials for our teachers. Thank you for helping them with those tasks so they can focus on facilitating student learning in math! Stop by the front office anytime and Ms. Dawn will give you some work on behalf of the teachers. We appreciate it so much!

Destination Imagination

Destination Imagination is coming to Westridge! Join us for an information night Tuesday, October 24 at 5:30 in the Westridge Library (RSVP to follow in the next week's Wildcat).

This is an amazing program offered outside of school hours. Students participate in challenges as a team in competitive and noncompetitive capacities. The students are totally empowered to dream up solutions to the problem and unleash their creativity to build and create. As principal, I am excited to see an opportunity for students to use their strengths and imagination to make a positive impact on the world. The values that are reinforced are ones that make our community a great place to be!

KIDS CAN BE EMPOWERED TO CHANGE THE WORLD



The Destination Imagination global community is united by a core belief that when students have the freedom to grow and collaborate without boundaries, their confidence explodes and the world opens up to them in new ways. We enable this transformation by providing challenges rooted in STEAM subjects that inspire unique solutions through the use of the creative process.

We believe that every child deserves the opportunity to tell their story, share their unique creations and be celebrated for what they've accomplished. Through witnessing this process of creative self-expression and validation, students blossom into more confident and knowledgeable individuals.

VALUES



COLLABORATION

We work as a team because together we go further



RESPECT

We treat all people with fairness, kindness, and consideration



STEWARDSHIP

We accept personal responsibility to nurture a global culture of creativity, innovation, and self-expression



PERSEVERANCE

We encourage trying until we achieve any goal



INTEGRITY

We hold ourselves to the highest standards by owning our work, actions, and decisions

One School, One Book

In chapter 11, Flora says, "pigs are known for their spirit." Later in that chapter the cat says, "cats don't like going on adventures, taking orders from others, or crossing over water." As I read these generalizations the characters make of themselves, it makes me think about generalizations we can make in our families. It can sound like, "Thanos' are known for..." I invite you to reflect on that identity you have as a family and share with your children. It will give them a boost in belonging and make them feel special.

Take the School Enrollment Survey Today

Please take 10-15 minutes to complete the [School Enrollment Survey](#). Share with us what matters most to you when choosing a school for your student. Your feedback will help us improve the school enrollment process and provide programming to meet your family's educational needs. The survey is open through Friday, November 17

Book Fair Volunteers Needed



Hello Westridge-

We are so excited that our Fall Book Fair is coming **October 12-18th!** Our Book Fair is run completely by myself and volunteers. I need your help! If you are interested in volunteering please sign up for a slot! [Book Fair Volunteer Sign Up](#)

Thank you!

Sincerely,
Christi Reed- Westridge Digital Teacher Librarian christi.reed@jeffco.k12.co.us

Lost and Found

Lost and found items will be in on the tables by the music room during conferences. Please stop by and collect your missing items.



SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

Dear Families,

Get ready! The Scholastic Book Fair is coming our way (YAY!). Choosing their own books empowers kids and inspires them on their journey to becoming lifelong readers. AND—as always—every purchase at the Fair benefits our school.

The fair will take place from **Thursday, 10/12 to Wednesday to 10/18** in the **Westridge Library**.

We will be open: Thursday, 10/12	7:15 a.m.-3:05 p.m.
Friday, 10/13	7:15 a.m.-3:05 p.m.
Monday, 10/16	7:15 a.m.-7:45 p.m.
Tuesday, 10/17	7:15 a.m.-3:05 p.m.
Wednesday, 10/18	7:15 a.m.-7:45 p.m.

Say goodbye to cash and hello to **eWallet**—your child's digital payment account. Before the Fair, set up eWallet for worry-free, cash-free purchases. Anyone can contribute! Share each child's eWallet so friends and family can add funds and give your kids more books to enjoy.

If you can't make it to the Fair, then **shop at our school's Book Fair online**. All orders ship directly to your home, and shipping is free for book orders over \$25. Every online purchase will also benefit our school.

Visit our Book Fair homepage to learn more and get started with eWallet and online shopping:
<https://www.scholastic.com/bf/westridgeelementaryschool18>

The countdown to more Bookjoy is on! Catch you at the Fair!

Happy reading,

Mrs. Reed- Westridge Digital Teacher Librarian

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FUNDRAISER DELIVERY!

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH!

2:00PM - 5:00PM



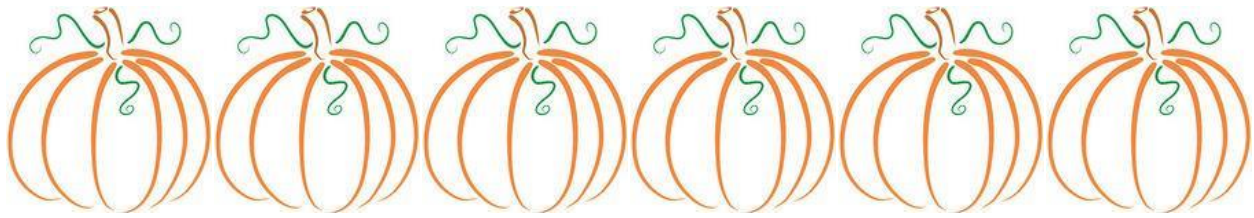
**MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND
PLEASE MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO
PICK UP YOUR STUDENT'S ORDER!**

**ALL ORDERS MUST BE PICKED UP
FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13TH BETWEEN
2:00PM AND 5:00 PM**

AT

WESTRIDGE ELEMENTARY!

THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!



1st Annual Great Pumpkin Extravaganza

Join us for our 1st Annual Great Pumpkin Extravaganza! The Westridge Library is getting into the fall spirit! Join our favorite book characters pumpkin/gourd decorating contest.

**Entries may be dropped off at the library on Monday, October 23rd
by 8am to be included in our voting.**

Contest Rules

You may use pumpkins or gourds to create your project. Fake pumpkins/gourds are okay.

Absolutely NO CARVED entries on ANY pumpkins. All pumpkins/gourds that have carved skin will be disqualified and sent home that day. Real pumpkins with punctured skin will also be disqualified and sent home. This decision will be up to the discretion of the judges.

Pumpkins should be no larger than 36 inches in circumference.

To decorate, you can use paper, glue, paint, or any other craft items on the pumpkin. Be creative!

Projects **must represent a character from a book** appropriate for elementary school students (no TV or movie characters that haven't been in a book!).

An entry form must be turned in with the pumpkin (see back page).

Participation is voluntary. The project can be done independently by the student or as a family project. Students choosing to participate must provide their own pumpkin and decorating materials. Don't have time to decorate a real or fake pumpkin? See our Pumpkin Character Drawing paper for more information!

Pumpkins will be displayed in the library from October 23 to October 31. **All pumpkins must be taken home by October 31.**

Students and staff will vote for their favorite pumpkin throughout the week.

[Pumpkin Entry Form- Same Form for Both Entries](#)

[Colored Pumpkin Template](#)

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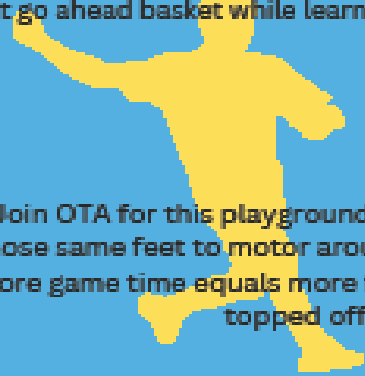
DON'T HAVE THE BOX TOPS APP YET? DOWNLOAD IT NOW:





Fast Break Basketball

3-2-1...Swish! Join us for Fast Break Basketball where we'll "cross-over" between GAME PLAY and skills stations. The games within the game are where we will expose players to HOOPS skills like dribbling, passing, shooting, rebounding, and defense. Test your abilities having fun scrimmaging or playing games like Dribble Scribble, King of the Court, Hot Shot Shooting, Knock Out, and MORE! Be ready to take that last second shot, make that extra pass, and block that go ahead basket while learning the fundamentals of Basketball and the concepts of team work.

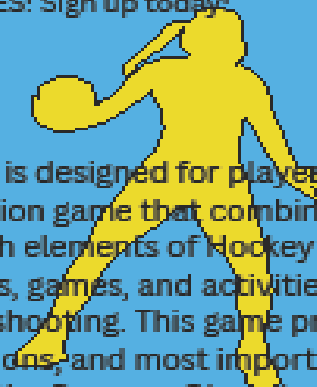


Kaboom Kickball

Join OTA for this playground favorite! Knock it out of the park with a big kick and use those same feet to motor around the bases. This program is all about playing the game. More game time equals more fun! The class will focus on teamwork and sportsmanship, topped off with some HIGH FIVES! Sign up today!

Handball

Let's play ultimate handball! This program is designed for players who want a fast paced, energetic, non-stop action game that combines the techniques of soccer and basketball, with elements of Hockey and Lacrosse. Coaches will lead players in drills, games, and activities that prioritize throwing, catching, dribbling, and shooting. This game promotes teamwork, varying skills for different positions, and most importantly - HIGH SCORING! Come be a part of one of the Summer Olympics most popular sports!



Start date: 25 October
End date: 13 December
Where: Westridge gym
Time: 2:35-3:35pm
Cost: \$119



andrew@otathletics.com
cell: (303) 810-8030
www.otathletics.com/castlerock





DAKOTA RIDGE CRAFT FAIR

Come support a
variety of local
crafters,
artisans, and
vendors!

Date: Saturday, October
14th, 9-4pm

\$3 admissions (13 and
older)

Door Prizes all day!



13399 W. Coal Mine Ave. Littleton, CO 80127



Villians vs. Superheroes

TRICK OR



TREAT STREET



Dakota Ridge Clubs & Activities invite
you to a spooky night filled with candy,
music, and games!



Free Entry

OCTOBER 30TH



5-7 PM

Dakota Ridge High School
13399 W Coal Mine Ave, Littleton, CO
80127



Westridge PTA Happenings

October 11, 2023

Westridge PTA Mission Statement

Westridge PTA is to provide a collaborative resource for Westridge parents, teachers and staff to communicate, access services and information, which promote the education and well being of all Westridge students.

PTA Meeting Schedule:



November 14, 2023
December 12th, 2023
January 9, 2024
February 13, 2024
March 12, 2024
April 9, 2024
May 14, 2024

Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at 6:30pm in the library.

Dates to Know:

Friday, October 13th:
Donuts w/ Grown Ups 7:15-7:45am

Friday, October 13th:
Movie Night@6pm

Tuesday, October 17th:
Skate City Night 5-7pm

Tuesday, October 24th:
Chick-Fil-A Restaurant Night 5-8pm

It's not too late to join the PTA!

Come and see what's happening and get plugged in to Westridge!




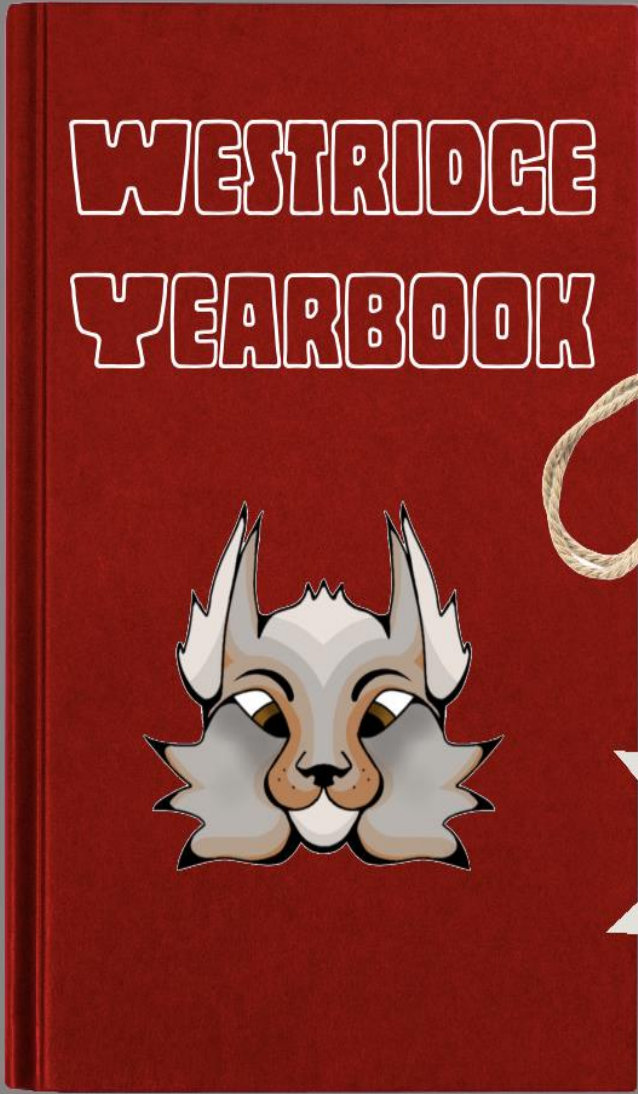


[Westridge PTA](https://westridge.pta.org/)

Click here to join the Westridge PTA:

<https://cowestridge.memberhub.com/store/items/104922>

If you have any school photos that you would like to share in the yearbook, please send to: Westridge.yearbook@yahoo.com



Yearbook Sale!

<https://web.treering.com/validate>

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Donuts with Grownups

October 13th, 2023

7:15 am to 7:45 am, Westridge Cafeteria

Come join us for the first Westridge Elementary Community Breakfast of the school year! Two more breakfasts will be held in February and in April/May 2024.



Please come to the school and enjoy Starbucks Coffee, donuts, Canadian bacon, and fruit. The event will be held **Friday, October 13th from 7:15 am to 7:45 am** in the school cafeteria.

This is a great opportunity for your child to spend some quality time with their parent, sibling, grandparent, or other family figure! Once the bell rings, they will have the opportunity to bring their special person to class for a read aloud.

The book fair will also be held in the library so feel free to stop by on your way out.

This event is FREE but will be capped at 300 participants. Please **reserve your spot using the SignUp Genius** below and help us **by donating food for the event** using the same SignUp Genius.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C054BAEAC2DA4FB6-44888669-donuts>

Please contact Aurelie Schoemann at aurelie.schoemann@gmail.com with any questions.

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GLOW PARTY

 Roller Skating Fun 

Westridge Elementary

Tuesday, October 17th

5-7pm

Admission \$7.00
(skate rental \$4.00)

Bring your friends and family for a GREAT back-to-school skate party event, just for the students, staff, family, and friends from the school!



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(303) 795-6109
www.skatecitycolorado.com

Glow sticks, flashlights, and GLOW products available for purchase and giveaways throughout the event!

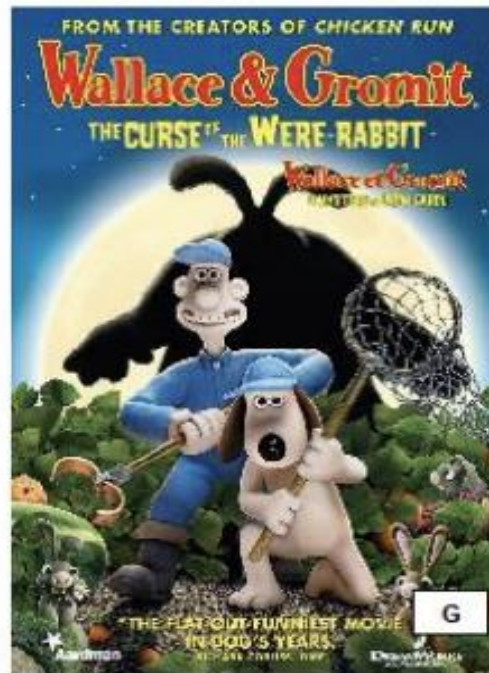


WESTRIDGE MOVIE NIGHT

Brought to you by the Westridge PTA

Friday, October 13th

Doors open at 6:00 pm - FREE movie at 6:15 pm



- In the gym – bring your pillows and blankets -
- Concessions stand for popcorn and snacks -
- Children **MUST** be accompanied and supervised by an adult -

We hope to see you there!



Please help the PTA support our incredible Westridge Staff during Conference Nights! Click the link below to donate funds to buy dinner for the teachers each night of conferences!
We appreciate your support!

<https://square.link/u/rVrJFWZo>

Spirit Night Fundraiser



Help support Westridge Elementary School
Tuesday, October 24, 2023 • 5:00-8:00pm
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