Message from the Principal

I want to begin by thanking all of you for attending our Fall Parent-Teacher Conferences. As partners in the education of our children, it is so critical that we have this valuable time together. I would also like to thank Cynthia Goodberry and all of you who donated food items for the staff dinner. Having time to share a meal together is such a luxury and we are so grateful for your generosity!

Stober Stampede

Our Stober Stampede was a huge success raising $2664.25 in donations to support our school. We anticipate being able to utilize funds on classroom resources, student and staff incentives, and support for Outdoor Lab. Thank you all again for supporting our students in their fundraising efforts.

Halloween Reminders

As Halloween approaches, I want to remind everyone that we will be holding a school-wide parade followed by classroom parties on October 31st. To ensure a safe and positive afternoon, I want to reiterate that all costumes must be school appropriate. Costumes that are overly scary or violent will not be permitted. Additionally, I ask that any fake weapons be left at home for after-school trick-or-treating. Thank you in advance for supporting our Halloween celebrations and for supporting our guidelines with our students. Additionally, as we are working towards becoming a more healthy school, it is our hope that at least 50% of the snacks provided at the classroom parties are healthy. In addition, to support students with food allergies, I ask that you provide ingredient lists or that the pre-packaging be made available so that students and families are able to access ingredients prior to enjoying. Thank you for helping to support these healthy school efforts.

Wheat Ridge Area Visioning

As a Wheat Ridge articulation area we know that over the past few years we have been threatened with school closures, consolidations, and in some parts of the articulation, declining enrollment. As a group of Wheat Ridge administrators we have been engaging in consistent communication around how to continue to support the articulation area moving forward. We have decided to engage in a visioning process that will engage multiple stakeholders across the community. Each school will attend a Search Conference in November, so that as a broader community we can begin dialogue around shaping the vision of what is possible within the Wheat Ridge schools. It will also be a chance for us to engage as a larger community. I will be attending with two parents from our community and one staff member. We are looking forward to the thoughtful community dialogue and visioning process and will look forward to sharing the experience with all of you.

A New Roof for Stober

Last May during the hail storm our roof experienced some significant damage. I am thrilled to announce that this summer all of the shingle roofing on the main building as well as the
temporary buildings will be removed and replaced. After the assessment, it was determined that there was not any structural damage to building, but they will be doing extensive testing to ensure that there is not any leakage impacting the insulation of the roof. Additionally, they plan to remove the gravel topping on the main section of the building and replace it with a heavy weight ‘cap sheet’. Our facilities team believes that the new sheet will significantly extend the life of the overall roofing system. The work is set to take place this summer, which will impact our building usage this summer, but I feel confident that this short-term inconvenience will be greatly beneficial.

**Jeffco Generations--The Vision for Jeffco Schools**

To celebrate his 100th day as Jeffco Superintendent, Dr. Jason Glass published the new revised vision for Jeffco Schools, entitled *Jeffco Generations*. This publication, which I encourage you to read, [https://jeffcoadvantagenet.files.wordpress.com/2017/10/jeffco-generations-final.pdf](https://jeffcoadvantagenet.files.wordpress.com/2017/10/jeffco-generations-final.pdf) is an extension of our Jeffco 2020 vision and outlines what we as a district believe is possible for our students as we prepare them for their futures. I will continue to uplift our work in the spirit of this vision throughout the year.

*Jeffco Generations is the beginning of a conversation about where we go next when it comes to our schools. It is also a call for a community reunion, founded on the belief that those things which tie us together are more powerful and important than those which divide us and nowhere is this truer than when it comes to the positive future we all want for Jeffco’s kids.*

-Dr. Jason Glass, Jeffco Superintendent

Please enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving break! I will look forward to seeing everyone on Monday, November 28th.

Sincerely,

Anne DiCola, Principal