

The Lyons Tale

FEBRUARY 2011
Lyons Middle Senior High

IMPORTANT DATES

Wednesday, February 2	Late Start Morning (See our webpage for schedule)
Monday-Friday, February 7-11	Book Fair in the IMC (See page 4 for details)
Wednesday, February 9	MS Student Activists 3-5:30 P.M., Community Food Share
	Parent Teacher Conferences 3-7:30 P.M.
Wednesday, February 16	Booster Club Meeting, 5:30 P.M., Conference Room
Thursday, February 17	Parent Update Meeting, 6-7 P.M., Cafetorium
Monday, February 21	President's Day, NO SCHOOL
Wednesday, February 23	MS Spelling Bee, 1:00 P.M., Cafetorium
	MS Student Activists 3-5 P.M., Art Room
Friday, February 25	MS Reading Interviews, 8-11 A.M., IMC
	HS Play Performance, 7 P.M., Cafetorium
Saturday, February 26	HS Play Performance, 7 P.M., Cafetorium
Sunday, February 27	HS Play Performance, 2:30 P.M., Cafetorium
Monday, February 28	Patriot League Honor Choir at Erie High
	HS Baseball & Track Season Begins
Tuesday, March 1	HS Choir Concert, 7 P.M., Cafetorium
Wednesday, March 2	Late Start Morning (See our webpage for schedule)
	MS Student Activists, 3-5:30 P.M., TBD
	MS & HS Band Concert, 7 P.M., Cafetorium
Thursday, March 3	MS Choir Info-Cert, 7 P.M., Cafetorium
Friday, March 4	NO SCHOOL
Monday, March 7	HS Jazz Band, 7 P.M., Oskar Blues
Monday-Friday, March 7-11	MS Track Signup in the office all week
Friday, March 11	MS End of 3 rd Quarter
Monday, March 14	MS Track Practice Begins
Tuesday–Thursday, March 15-17	CSAP TESTING
Tuesday-Thursday, March 22-24	CSAP TESTING

Important Dates & the Lyons Middle Senior School Calendar are on our webpage
<http://lms.hs.stvrain.k12.co.us>

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Principal's Page

Welcome to the February edition of our school on-line newsletter. Please take the time to review the items found in this edition. Your involvement and support are critical as we move through this school year.

A number of parents have expressed concerns over the lack of course offerings here at Lyons High School. In an effort to add to our course offerings we have included the following courses in our course description book for the 2011-12 year: Personal Finance, Mystery Literature, Beginning Ceramics, Drawing & Painting, and Beginning Digital Photography. It is very important to note that these courses will only be offered if enough students register for the courses. (Some of these courses will rotate with others yearly, as noted in the course description book.)

We will begin the 2011-12 year high school student course registration process in February. It is important for you and your son/daughter to spend time considering courses of interest and rigor as they plan for college and career aspirations. We encourage you to be directly involved with your student(s) and their course selections. Furthermore, your signature is required as part of the registration process.

As we reflect on our school-wide performance, as measured by the state, and plan for the coming years, I would like to cordially invite you to attend our Parent Update Meeting scheduled for February 17th from 6:00-7:00 PM in our cafetorium. District officials and I will be reviewing the following data/information on Lyons Middle Senior: Overview of the School, Instructional Programming, Successes and Celebrations, School Performance Framework, School Performance Indicators [Student Achievement Levels (% A, P, PP, U), Academic Growth (Colorado Growth Model), Growth Gaps, and Postsecondary and Workforce Readiness], New Accreditation Categories [Level 1: Accredited with Distinction (Performance Plan), Level 2: Accredited (Performance Plan), Level 3: Accredited with Improvement Plan, Level 4: Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan], School Plan and Actions. It is my hope that you will be able to attend and learn about our on-going efforts to increase student achievement.

As we enter the month of February, please take advantage of all of the events and activities going on here at Lyons Middle Senior. Furthermore, here are just a few opportunities for you to volunteer your time and resources to the success of Lyons M/S:

- Booster Club
- Bingo Club
- Homework Program
- Middle School Reading Program
- School Accountability Committee

I look forward to working with you as we strive to make a great school even better!

Respectfully yours,
Greg Winger

Middle School Spelling



Lyons Middle School will hold its annual school-wide Spelling Bee on February 23 at 1 P.M. in the Cafetorium. The winner of the competition will be invited to participate in the Denver Post Regional Spelling Bee on March 19 in Denver, and will receive a free PowerspeaK12 foreign language course in Latin, Spanish, French, German, or Chinese. The subsequent winner of the Denver Bee will go on to compete at the national level against one student from each state.

Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the school Spelling Bee with fantastic spelling test scores:

6th Graders

Luke Irwin
Miriam Kyzer
CeAnn Udovich
Earl Walko

7th Graders

Samantha Hamilton
Mira Smith
Vaughan Nagy
Eva Oakes

8th Graders

Sam Aronson
Mae Baumgartner
Sage Dougherty
Khang Luu

These students are encouraged to attend prep-sessions, held in Ms. Renwick's room (10A) on Tuesday mornings from 7:00-7:45, and Thursday afternoons from 3-4 P.M.

SAVE THE DATE for the High School Play!



or Geoffrey Chaucer's Flying Circus

Many believe that Chaucer's literary masterpiece revolutionized English literature. We revolutionized this challenging literature by tossing in a good helping of Monty Python-styled humor.

Students: \$2.50 (If attending multiple performances, bring your old ticket for \$.50 discount)
Adults: \$5.00 (If attending multiple performances, bring your old ticket for \$1.00 discount)


Friday & Saturday, February 25th & 26th at 7 P.M. in the Cafetorium
Sunday, February 27th at 2:30 P.M.

LIBRARY NEWS

It's Book Fair time again!



Fall in **LOVE** with a good book!

Find a special book for your Valentine, 
inspire your child by treating them to some new literature.

Help support our Lyons Middle Senior Library by purchasing books from the Book Fair at school or, if you're unable to fit our Book Fair into your schedule, you can make your purchases online at www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs beginning February 4th. Do you have out of town family who would like to purchase books? They can make purchases online as well. Online orders are subject to sales tax of 7.9%, but will be delivered free of charge to Lyons Middle Senior for you or your student to pick-up. There are over 1,000 titles to choose from through the online Fair and the website will be accepting orders to benefit our school February 4th through February 14th, 2011.

Students **LOVE** new books and we add hundreds of them to our collection annually because of your generous support of the Book Fair!

Thank you for encouraging their love of reading!



Book Fair Hours

Monday-Friday, February 7th - 11th

7:30 A.M. – 3:15 P.M.

Extended hours during Parent/ Teacher
Conferences on Wednesday, February 9th

7:30 A.M. – 7:30 P.M.

Online Book Fair for Lyons Middle Senior: February 4th - February 14th, 2011

www.scholastic.com/schoolbookfairs (site available February 4th)

PBS is coming to Lyons High School!

The Positive Behavior Support System (PBS), already in use in the Middle School, will soon be introduced at the High School level.

Additional Program specifics will be outlined in upcoming newsletters; however the High School Program will focus on Leadership with the acronym LEAD:

- L Show Leadership
- E Set a Good Example
- A Focus on Academics
- D Make responsible Decisions

The Counseling Staff of Lyons Middle Senior Welcomes Students and Parents...

If you would like to contact us with any questions, concerns, or suggestions, please call or email us:

Denise Rominger, Counselor rominger_denise@stvrain.k12.co.us

Paula Randazzo, Interventionist randazzo_Paula@stvrain.k12.co.us

AP Testing: The exam fee for each AP test is \$87.00 this year.

Important AP Test Deadlines:

February, 2011 Students will receive registration information in their AP classes.
Our district is using the on-line registration process again this year.

March 18, 2011 Registration Deadline

April 14, 2011 Students are **required** to attend an AP Pre-Administration session at 8:30 A.M. held at Lyons Middle Senior

ADVANCED PLACEMENT TESTING SCHEDULE MAY 2011

Date	Test	Time to Report
Tuesday, May 3	Spanish Language*	7:45 a.m.
Wednesday, May 4	Calculus AB	7:45 a.m.
Thursday, May 5	English Literature	7:45 a.m.
Friday, May 6	United States History	7:45 a.m.
Monday, May 9	Biology	7:45 a.m.
Tuesday, May 10	U. S. Government/Politics	7:45 a.m.
Wednesday, May 11	English Language/ Composition	7:45 a.m.

***All testing** except for Foreign Language exams will be held in the gymnasium at Main Street School, 820 Main Street. Parking is behind the school on the east side of the building. Spanish Language testing will be completed at Longmont High School, 1040 Sunset Street, Longmont.

Juniors: Mandatory ACT Testing

On the morning of Wednesday, April 27, 2011, the State of Colorado is requiring the testing of all Juniors on the ACT. Testing will take place at Lyons Middle Senior for our students only.

The State testing of the ACT will be paid for by the Colorado Department of Education, and will be administered like a national test. This means the test will be free to students, and they will get some of the benefits of taking the regular ACT.

The State ACT benefits are:

- Free reporting of scores to four colleges of the students choice
- Acceptance of these scores by all Colorado colleges and universities and acceptance by most colleges & universities across the country.
- The use of information from the Student Profile section to help with college searches.

For those not planning to attend a 4 year school, ACT scores are generally required for most 2 year schools as well.

Required ACT seminars will occur in March during CSAP testing.

More detailed information will be made available in our March Newsletter.

AN FYI regarding ACT testing & timing: On average students take the ACT 2-3 times (the state mandated exam in April is the only one funded by the state).

- Some students take the ACT prior to the mandated April test as a practice for the April test. If the student earns a score in the range for their anticipated college choice they are done with the ACT. If not, they may take it again in the fall (usually September).
- Others treat the April test as a practice test and plan on taking it again first thing in the fall (usually September) to meet entrance requirements/deadlines for college.
- Just a reminder as you consider test dates, college application processes begin in October for many schools so it is highly recommended to sign up to take the September ACT test so scores are available for colleges.

ACT/ SAT Testing Information:

ACT (No Writing) \$33.00

ACT Plus Writing \$48.00

SAT \$47.00

ACT Registration Postmark Deadline by:	ACT Test Dates	SAT Registration Postmark Deadline:	SAT Test Dates
January 7, 2011	February 12, 2011	February 11, 2011	March 12, 2011
March 4, 2011	April 9, 2011	April 8, 2011	May 7, 2011
May 6, 2011	June 11, 2011	May 6, 2011	June 4, 2011

Online registration is preferred: ACT www.act.org SAT www.collegeboard.com
If you are unable to register online pick up a registration packet in the counseling office.

The Lyons H.S. Code Number is: 060-955

Late registration for the ACT and SAT is possible. There is a late fee that applies to each. Contact the counseling office for more details.

CSAP Date Changes

The district has changed the CSAP testing window for Spring 2011. All 6th – 10th graders will be taking the **CSAP tests on March 15, 16, 17, 22, 23, and 24**. All juniors will be preparing for the state ACT test on these dates. It is very important that your student(s) complete the CSAP tests in sequence on the dates indicated. Please plan on your student(s) attending school on these days when planning your Spring Break travel plans.

Spring Break begins at 2:50 P.M. on March 25th.

Scholarships for Seniors

In January, every senior received a packet of the local St. Vrain Scholarships. Most of these scholarships are due February 28th. For the complete scholarship list, including applications and deadlines, please visit the district counseling website at <http://counseling.stvrain.k12.co.us>

The district counseling website also has other scholarship opportunities, listed by due date. Applications for the local Lyons scholarships will be available in early February.



Money for College/"Commitment to Colorado"

Colorado State University has announced a "Commitment to Colorado".

Please visit their website at <http://sfs.colostate.edu> and click on Commitment to Colorado. The following paragraph is taken from the website:

"CSU's Commitment to Colorado is a promise to provide Colorado students who have a family Adjusted Gross Income (AGI) of \$57,000 or less (and who meet other eligibility requirements) with grant funds from state and university sources to cover at least one-half the cost of student share of base tuition. In addition, students who are eligible for federal Pell Grant will receive grant funds from federal, state, and University sources to cover at least 100% of student share of base tuition and standard fees."

Colorado State University-Pueblo has a similar Commitment to Colorado. If you are interested in attending CSU-Pueblo, please visit their financial services website at:

www.colostate-pueblo.edu/sfs



Senior Graduation Announcements



Jostens will be here on Thursday, February 24th during high school lunch, 12:20 – 1:00 P.M. to distribute graduation announcements. Orders must be paid in full at the time of pick up.

Caps and gowns will be delivered on May 20th at the senior graduation practice. All school outstanding fees for your senior must be paid by the 20th of May.

Know About School Safety



Deputy Brit Fell, Boulder County Sheriff's Office

Every time a major tragedy occurs, like what we witnessed in Arizona, we all pause and ask what is going on in our society. Most of what we are feeling comes from the speed in which the media feeds the information and images to our televisions, computers and all the other electronic devices that keep us connected to the world. This is also true in the area of school safety. The truth is, schools in the United States are safer now than they have been in the past four decades.

I want to introduce two very good programs that have been endorsed by Lyons Middle Senior that will continue to keep us ranked as one of the safest schools in the region.

Safe2tell was established by the Colorado Attorney General's Office as a means to anonymously report bullying, crimes or anything else that will hurt the safe climate of a school. A toll free number, **877-524-7233** (SAFE) has been established to field these calls 24 hours a day. Now Safe2tell has gone to the web. If you log in at <http://safe2tell.org/> there is a hyperlink to make an anonymous report. In either case the school will be notified of the report so intervention can occur before a situation becomes worse.

St. Vrain Valley Schools have also endorsed the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) established by the 'I love u guys' foundation. The founder of this organization, John Michael-Keyes, recently spoke to the Colorado State Legislature about SRP and its benefits. Mr. Keyes' daughter, Emily Keyes, was the student killed at Platt Canyon High School in September of 2006. SRP creates a common language used by schools for any emergency that might occur. Please take the time to log in at <http://iluvuaguys.org/> and go to the Standard Response Protocol. Have a discussion with your student about the four standard responses that can be used for any type of emergency.

By becoming familiar with these programs not only is Lyons Middle Senior one of the best schools in the nation, we are one of the safest. Feel free to contact me at the school if you have any questions about Safe2tell or the Standard Response Protocol.

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New Community Service Group for High School Students

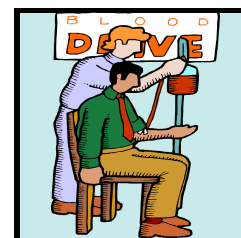
LMSHS is starting a new student group for high school students! The primary focus of this group is to provide high school students with the opportunity for community service. While the group does not have its name yet, and it is in its beginning stages of organization, we do know the group will meet twice a month, both during lunch and after school.

The group will be mostly student lead, with students being responsible for choosing services projects and facilitating events/activities. This group will provide opportunities for students to work with various groups as needed such as children, the elderly, animals, the environment, and persons in great need.

Our next meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 3rd, from 12:20 P.M. -1 P.M., in the office of Paula Randazzo, Prevention/Intervention Specialist.

Please join us to help with the organization of this new group, as well as to help with our first service project: Blanket & Stuffed Animal Drive for Children in Need. For questions please call Paula at 303-906-7528. ext. 5622, or email

randazzo_paula@stvrain.k12.co.us.



Are you a parent dealing with these issues?

Alcohol Risky Behaviors Drugs

Feeling Alone Suicide Anxiety

Depression Arguing Normalizing

Children & Youth Resources & Boulder County Prevention/Interventionists Parent Information & Support Series

**FREE Drop in Series for
Parents of Middle or High School aged kids**

**February 22, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.
1050 Lashley Street, Longmont, CO**

SESSION TOPIC: Your Teen & Drugs

This group will have an information session on topics related to teenage issues followed by an opportunity to interact with other parents dealing with the same issues and ask questions about what your family is going through at home.

**RSVP to Jamie Meurer at 303-774-3758
Jamie.meurer@ci.longmont.co.us**

Questions? Call our Lyons Middle Senior Interventionist, Paula Randazzo on her confidential line 303-906-7528 ext 5622 or email her at Randazzo_paula@stvrain.k12.co.us



SCHOOL DIRECTORY: We are looking at a couple of options for a printed directory because the printer we were using was unable to work with our database. However, the on-line directory is always available to the parents that have joined Lions Booster Club!

TO JOIN: Go to our website <http://lyonsboosterclub.com> and click on **Contact Sheet** in the left column. If you were a member last year, just click on the button to find your information, check it over for accuracy and submit! The state requires us to have parents register every year. You may pay the \$5.00 dues or make donations via PayPal. The state also requires us to have a paying membership.

LIONSWEAR: See photos of all our items at <http://lyonsboosterclub.com/store/>. We have baseball T-shirts, long-sleeve or short-sleeve t-shirts, polo shirts, sweatshirts and sweatpants. After you order an item, you'll receive a notification of when it will be available for pick-up at the school. No shipping charges!

BINGO: Join us for Bingo every Sunday from 1:00 -3:00 P.M. at Longmont Bingo Alley, 640 19th Ave. We are losing a lot of senior parent volunteers, so please help! The time commitment is only about four hours once a month. Over half of our funds come from Bingo. Contact Jodi Hammans at jodi@lyonsboosterclub.com for more information.

AFTER-PROM: Amy Donnell is the coordinator for this year's After-Prom party on April 23rd. It runs from about midnight to 5:00 A.M. The Junior class parents organize the event, but any interested folks are invited to help! Junior parents are needed for running several concession stands during basketball season. For more information, contact Amy at aggiedew@gmail.com.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES: One of our Booster Club's functions is to link up parents with chances to help our school. Here are some of the opportunities:

Parent/Teacher Meal Coordinator: The next Parent /Teacher Conference is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2011 from 3:00 to 7:30 P.M. During these conferences, the Booster Club tries to provide meals for the teachers because it is difficult for the staff to find time to go out to eat when conferences begin right after school. If you would like to help organize the meal for February 9, please contact the Booster Club at blaster@lyonsboosterclub.com.

Homework Nights: Tues, Wed, Thurs 3-3:30 in the IMC - contact Dan Schlesinger if you are interested at schlesinger_dan@stvrain.k12.co.us.

Reading Program: Feb 25th & Apr 29th 8:00 to 11 A.M. in the IMC. Listen to students tell you about the books they are reading. Contact Kathy Slauson to help at slauson_kathy@stvrain.k12.co.us.

MESA: Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement program overseen by Brad Martin. Contact Brad if you would like to help out at martin_brad@stvrain.k12.co.us

Drama: The High School is putting on the play "The Canterbury Tales". We need help with lights, sounds effects, stage set-up and clean-up. If interested, contact Sandi Engelhorn at sandi@lyonsboosterclub.com.

NEXT MEETING: The next Booster Club meeting will be Wednesday, February 16, 2011 at 5:30 P.M. in the school conference room. If you have any questions about this information or anything related to Booster Club, contact us at blaster@lyonsboosterclub.com.

Athletic Information

Sports Schedules: <http://lyonssports.org>

The main calendar on this site is color coded by sport. Refer to this calendar for ALL HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS. We have unexpected game changes from time to time and we will have revisions on this calendar.

LYONS BASEBALL 2011 SCHEDULE				
Scrimmage vs Denver Eagles Tuesday, March 8 4:00 pm at home				
Thursday,	March 10	Resurrection Christian	away	V 3:30 PM (this game may change)
Saturday,	March 12	Peak to Peak	home	V, JV 11:00/2:00 pm
Tuesday,	March 15	Longmont Christian	away	V 3:30 pm
Thursday,	March 17	Highland	away	V, JV 4:00 pm
Saturday,	March 19	Denver Academy	home	V, JV? 11:00 am
Tuesday	March 22	Front Range Christian	home	V 3:30 pm
Thursday,	March 24	Dayspring Christian	away	V 3:30 pm
Tuesday,	April 5	Strasburg*	away	V, JV to follow 3:30 pm
Thursday,	April 7	Alexander Dawson	home	V 4:00 pm
Saturday,	April 9	Platte Valley*	home	V, JV to follow 11:00 am
Tuesday,	April 12	Weld Central*	home	V, JV to follow 3:30 pm
Thursday,	April 14	Brush*	away	V, JV to follow 4:00 pm
Saturday,	April 16	Highland*	home	V, JV to follow 11:00 am
Tuesday,	April 19	Berthoud*	away	V, JV to follow 4:00 pm
Thursday,	April 21	University*	home	V, JV to follow 3:30 pm
Saturday,	April 23	Valley*	away	V, JV to follow 11:00 am
Tuesday,	April 26	Eaton*	home	V, JV to follow 3:30 pm
Thursday,	April 28	Estes Park*	away	V, JV to follow 3:30 pm
Saturday,	April 30	Mead*	away	V, JV to follow 11:00 am
Saturday,	May 7	District Tournament		TBD
Fri./Sat.	May 13-14	Regional Tournament		TBD
Fri./Sat.	May 20-21	State Tournament-Pueblo		
		*Patriot League Games		Updated 1-28-11

LYONS TRACK 2011 SCHEDULE

(Tentative)				
Day	Date	Title/Host	Site	Time
*Saturday	March 12	RE-1J	Longmont	10:00 am
Thursday	March 17	Lyons Relays	Lyons	3:00 pm
		Erie, Broomfield JV, Niwot JV, Strasburg, Platte Canyon, Skyline JV, Longmont JV		
*Saturday	March 19	Arvada City Inv.	Jeffco Stadium	9:00 am
*Saturday	March 26	Randall Hess Inv.	Johnstown	9:00 am
*Saturday	April 2	Mountain Range	Mt. Range HS	8:30 am
Wednesday	April 6	Middle School (Twin Peaks, Lyons)	Longs Peak	3:30 pm
Wednesday	April 6	JV Meet - (Longmont, Niwot, Windsor)	Lyons	3:00 pm
*Saturday	April 9	Longmont Inv.	Longmont	8:30 am
Wednesday	April 13	Middle School (Longs Peak, Flagstaff)	Lyons	3:30 pm
Wednesday	April 13	JV Meet @ Niwot	Niwot HS	8:30 am
*Saturday	April 16	Boulder County	Longmont	8:00 am
Wednesday	April 20	Middle School (Lyons, Mead)	Heritage	3:30 pm
Wednesday	April 20	JV Meet @ Broomfield	Broomfield	3:30 pm
Friday	April 22	Middle School District 6th Grade	Lyons - HS hosts	3:30 pm
*Saturday	April 23	Dakota Ridge Inv.	Jeffco Stadium	8:30-11:30 am
Tuesday	April 26	Middle School (Twin Peaks, Westview)	Lyons	3:30 pm
Wednesday	April 27	JV Championships	Longmont HS	2:30 pm
*Friday	April 29	Rocky/Ridge Roundup	Fossil Ridge – Ft. Collins	2:00 (?)
Saturday	April 30	Middle School Championship @ Longmont HS		8:30 am
*Friday	May 6	St. Vrain Invitational	Longmont	1:30 pm
*Friday	May 13	Patriot League	Platte Valley	9:30 am
Thur/Fri/Sat	May 19/20/21	State @ Jeffco Stadium	Denver	TBA
		* ranking meet		Updated 1-5-11

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Lyons Youth Baseball Softball Association

Lyons Youth Baseball and Softball Registration are now available on-line!!

Spring is just around the corner and so is youth baseball and softball in Lyons. The Lyons Youth Baseball Softball Association (LYBSA) registration is now available on-line.

Please visit www.lybsa4kids.org and select either “Baseball” or “Softball” and then “Registration” to start the on-line process – a new window will open.

Registration for softball will be open until February 28 and for baseball until March 28. As a reminder, softball is available from age 5 to 19 and baseball from age 5 to 14.

Baseball and softball skills clinics will be held before the season begins. Watch for details. In the meantime if you have any questions, in particular with the on-line registration process, please email Eli Wallace eliwallace.1@gmail.com or Andy Doering lybsasecretary@hotmail.com



Education Foundation Advocate Opportunity

The Education Foundation has an exciting opportunity for a few volunteers to serve as Advocates for the Foundation. We are looking for key individuals from each of the St. Vrain Valley District Schools to help us 'get the word out' on Foundation events. Your involvement would be helping us disseminate information about current news and events to other parents within your school. It could be through email, word-of-mouth, school newsletters, etc. If you'd like to serve as an Ambassador for the Foundation, please email Lora Lawrence, Business Development Director at laura@stvrain.k12.co.us. We'd love to welcome you as an Education Foundation Advocate!



2011 Encore Award Program

Purpose

This awards program, sponsored by the Education Foundation for the St. Vrain Valley, provides the opportunity for students, parents, community members and business partners to recognize and honor individual teachers at the Pre-K–12 levels in the St. Vrain Valley School District who exemplify excellence in teaching. By paying tribute to the achievement of teachers who have an extraordinary impact on the achievement of students, the Foundation and the community hopes to pay tribute to the accomplishments of all teachers.

Award Winners

One teacher from each St. Vrain Valley school will receive recognition. The Encore Awards are presented annually at the *Tribute to Teachers* celebration.

Award Nomination Guidelines and Deadline

Nominations are accepted from students, parents, and volunteers at the school; as well as from community members or the school's business partners. The nomination form and a more detailed set of guidelines are available on the Education Foundation's website www.efsvv.org and at each school office. Click on the word Nominations on the Home Page and you will be taken directly to the nomination form. For additional information, contact Lora Lawrence, Business Development Director, at 720-652-8208. Nominations may be submitted either through the mail or electronically. **Nominations must be postmarked or electronically date stamped no later than March 18^h, 2011.** Nominations received after this date are not eligible.

Nomination Criteria

In order to qualify as a nominee, the teacher must currently be a licensed educator in the State of Colorado and employed in a teaching assignment at a St. Vrain Valley School District campus for the current school year. For charter schools, highly qualified teachers are eligible. Both full-time and part-time teachers are eligible.

Presentation of the Encore Awards

Encore Award recipients and finalists will be honored at the Education Foundation's fourth annual

You're The Top! The Tribute to Teachers
May 6, 2011 ▪ Plaza Conference Center, Longmont