



## FRIDAY BLAST 4/10/2020



### Hey, Bell Students! Are You Up for Some Friendly Competition?



While the Coronavirus has disrupted life across the world, it has also brought out some of the best in our community. Please take a moment to [watch this short video](#) (2:47) **expressing our gratitude** for all of the people who are on the front lines of this pandemic crisis, as well as those who are helping sustain our community right now.

Additionally, we are issuing a school-wide challenge to **create an expression of your gratitude to our health care workers, first responders, and anyone who is helping sustain our community during this time of crisis.** Once you're finished with your creation, then [simply upload a picture or video of your creation using this link.](#)

1. Videos cannot be longer than 15 seconds.
2. **Each grade-level is in competition with one another.** We want to see **which grade-level has the most submissions BY 7:00pm on THURSDAY, APRIL 16th.**
3. Family members are welcome to submit their own videos or be part of students' videos.
4. Bell Staff Members are also welcome to submit their own videos. Could the staff members beat out the number of submissions from students?
5. We will edit these submissions together and **share with our community** through Bell's website and other means.
6. While we ask on the form for you to provide your name, email, and grade, none of this information will be shared or published, unless it is included on the photo or video you submit.

**More information about this challenge is at the [end of the video](#) linked here and above. If you are having difficulty opening any of these links, **please make sure are using Chrome as your browser.****



***Just a reminder as we are showing our gratitude – we are so unbelievably grateful for YOU! We want to send out a huge thank you to our fantastic students, Bell families, and staff members for doing amazingly well throughout this transition to remote learning. We are so very proud! Keep up the great work, Bobcats!***

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We will continue to keep the [Bell Middle School Website](#) updated with the latest information as it comes available. We have added an [Online Learning tab](#) that has all of the information you will need for your remote learning. This includes information on how to reach your teachers and counselors, an Online Learning Manual, technology support, Grab and Go Meals information, and more! Please visit the website for assistance and updated information. We also pick up messages from the school daily, so feel free to call the school directly and leave us a voicemail. We are doing our best to return calls within 24 hours.

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The DWOH District Committee, the group of high school kids who have been working all year to plan the event, is still hosting the day on Friday, April 24th, even though students won't be physically at school. They are working to set up a virtual DWOH (or #DWOHathome as some of them are calling it) with videos and social media challenges for Peace Week of April 20th-24th. Then they will be releasing a live YouTube event on Friday for people to participate in. They are asking that everyone wears their DWOH shirts and posts pictures of them. Then, we may do a day once we are back at school (in May, August, September, or whenever that may be) where we ask the whole district to wear their DWOH shirts to school to honor Day Without Hate. For more information, visit <http://daywithouthate.org/index.html>

The DWOH committee had screened 8,000 shirts before the virus hit and before schools were closed. Thus, they would appreciate your support in helping them sell the shirts so the vendor, who donates all proceeds, isn't negatively impacted financially. Individuals can place a personal order online starting Tuesday, April 7th. [www.daywithouthatejeffco.com](http://www.daywithouthatejeffco.com) **Bell did not place an order for the school this year, so all shirts will need to be purchased individually. Shirts are \$5 each plus shipping. Thank you for your support!**

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### **Outdoor Lab: Keeping the Tradition Alive**

*Bell MS 6th graders were lucky* enough to squeeze their Outdoor Lab experience in right under the wire just before Jeffco closed the sites and went to remote learning. We were some of the lucky ones; several schools in the District were scheduled to go in April and May, and the District is currently determining next steps for these schools. With that in mind, *we know the value of this experience for our 6th graders, and it cannot be done without the support of the Outdoor Lab Foundation, as well as community donations for our school.* **On April 16, the Foundation is putting-on a virtual fundraising event, featuring former Denver Broncos star [Karl Mecklenberg!](#) Please see below for details.**

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**What:** Outdoor Lab Foundation Celebrates the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day- special celebrity guest, Karl Mecklenberg

**When:** Thursday, April 16<sup>th</sup> from 5-6 p.m.

**Event Description:** To celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day, the Outdoor Lab Foundation is hosting a virtual happy hour. The Outdoor Lab Foundation supports the Jefferson County Public Schools Outdoor Lab program, sending over 6,000 sixth-grade outside to a residential science experience in the mountains. The Outdoor Lab program has been **impacting student lives for 63 years** at the two historic mountain sites, Mount Evans and Windy Peak Outdoor Lab. During this live virtual event, we will have special celebrity guest, Karl Mecklenburg, former football linebacker for the Denver Broncos in the National Football League introduce the event. He will discuss the importance of a virtual community coming together to celebrate the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Earth Day while supporting local Jefferson County nonprofit, the Outdoor Lab Foundation. We will have guest speakers talk about conservation, how you can continue to practice conservation inside your home and community while in quarantine, and more.



**HAVE A WONDERFUL WEEKEND!**