

Friday Blast, April 5th, 2019



Upcoming events:

- 4/9 - Bell Accountability and PTA meeting at 4pm
- 4/16 - Flex testing. NO SCHOOL FOR 6th & 7th graders
- 4/26 - Day Without Hate
- 4/26 - 8th Grade panoramic picture at 11am

CMAS 2019



Congratulations to our 6th graders for smoothly getting through their CMAS testing this week. Our 7th and 8th grade testing will begin next week! Please **save these dates** to ensure as many students as possible are here for testing sessions. While we will hold make-up sessions, students tend to do better when they test with their peers. Participating in make-up sessions also pulls students out of the classroom during instructional times. It is also important that students arrive on time. Students who arrive after a session starts cannot go into their classroom until after the testing session is complete. Thank you for helping ensure every student can do his or her best!

Testing Schedule - 7th & 8th Grade

- April 9, 10, 11 (all day)

Testing Schedule - 8th Grade Science

- April 16 (all day)

Cell Phones & CMAS

Cell phones **may not** be in any testing session during the above testing dates.

Students are encouraged to:

- Leave their phones at home
- Store their phones in the locker all day
- Leave their phones in the front office

If a student is found with their phone in a testing location, disciplinary actions will be taken.

No Contact Day for 6th & 7th Grade Students

Greetings families of 6th and 7th grade students. On Tuesday, April 16th we have scheduled a flex day for our 8th grade students to complete the 2019 Science CMAS test. Only 8th grade students will be attending school on this day. Please make note of this important day on your calendars.

Attention 6th grade families: Thank you for those who have completed the Elective/Pathway forms which were due on March 12th. If your student has not completed the form and turned it into their Counselor, Mrs. Leigh, please have them do so immediately. Counselors are working on schedules and placement for next school year and it is important we have all the data. Thank you!

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Teacher Recognition Awards

The Golden Schools Foundation rewards and recognize the great teachers in the Golden articulation area schools through our annual Teacher Recognition Awards. Based on nominations, two winning teachers will be awarded \$1,000 each to go towards their classroom, a crystal apple, and recognition at their school. They will also be acknowledged in local press/newspapers and among the Golden community. Winning teachers will also be featured on our showcase of winning teachers.

ONLINE SUBMISSION FOR TEACHER RECOGNITION NOMINATIONS IS NOW LIVE!!! Use [THIS LINK](#) for more information, and to nominate your favorite Bell teachers! Nominations are due by April 9, 2019.

Congratulations to the 5 teams of 7th graders who presented at the Denver Zoo on Thursday night as part of the Exhibit Engineers city-wide competition. You all represented Bell fabulously. More congratulations go to the team of Cassie Valverde, Maddie Miller, Callie McClure, and Caitlin Kennamer for winning the competition for middle schools and to the team of Sydney Drabek, Talhia Knoshaug, Emma Mears, and Kyra Jordan for winning the people's choice award. Your awards are well deserved!



6th graders are you thinking about your 8th grade summer trip? We are going to Ecuador: Amazon to the Andes in June, 2021. It's a trip filled with fun and activity.

There will be hiking, hot springs, cultural tours, visits to native markets, and some great food and fun. Contact Ms. Ranney at lori.ranney@jeffco.k12.co.us or visit the tour site for more information. www.explorica.com/ranney-3410.



Bell After School Policies - We are unable to provide general supervision for students after 2:20, as staff is involved in meetings most afternoons. Therefore, unless with a teacher (for clubs, tutoring, etc.) or involved in a Sports Program after school, ***all students are to leave Bell by 2:20***. If students are waiting for rides after 2:20, ***they must be in the office***. This is to ensure the safety of all our students. Thank you.

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Bell Parents, did you know that every time you shop on Amazon you could be donating money to Bell? It is a simple and automatic way for you to support Bell every time you shop, at no cost to you!

1) Always shop on smile.amazon.com

2) In the top left corner below the search bar, it will tell you what organization you are donating to. You can open that up and change to Bell Middle School.

That's it! So why not start today and give some of your spending money back to your kids!

HAVE A GREAT WEEKEND!!