



# THE GATOR GAZETTE

## STANDLEY LAKE HIGH SCHOOL

November 17th, 2023

### PRINCIPAL NEWS

Todd Rago



#### Happy Thanksgiving

On behalf of the entire staff at SLHS, we wish you a safe and happy Thanksgiving Season! We hope you are able to enjoy time with family and friends.

#### Community Conversation with the Superintendent

**Our Community: Our Legacy**  
Conversations with Jeffco's Superintendent

Join Jeffco Public Schools Superintendent Tracy Dorland to engage in conversation with your community to discuss districtwide topics and those specific to your area. This 90 minute conversation is open to the public and will focus on family and community feedback.

**Arvada, Pomona & Standley Lake**  
**Monday, December 4**  
Pomona High School | 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**Conversation Hosted by:**

Tracy Dorland  
Superintendent,  
Jeffco Public Schools

Crystal Marine  
Person Representative,  
Accountability Committee

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#### Board of Education Townhall Meetings



**Paula Reed, Secretary**  
District 2 (Mountains, West-central Lakewood)

**Wednesday, November 15 | 5:30-7 p.m.**  
Golden High School (Library)  
701 24th St, Golden, CO 80401



**Danielle Varda, Treasurer**  
District 1 (North Arvada, Westminster area)

**Wednesday, November 29 | 6-7:30 p.m.**  
Arvada High School (Library)  
7951 W 65th Ave, Arvada, CO 80004



**Mary Parker, 1st Vice President**  
District 5 (South Jeffco)

**Monday, December 4 | 5:30-7 p.m.**  
Warren Tech South (Theater)  
13299 W Coal Mine Ave, Littleton, CO 80127

View the schedule & find your Board representative:  
[www.jps.click/board-townhalls](http://www.jps.click/board-townhalls)



#### Board of Education Town Halls

Join the Jeffco Public Schools Board of Education (Board) representatives for 90-minute town hall meetings to get to know their area representative, learn about the Board's goals and understand their roles in district wide initiatives. Find your Board representative and more information on [this webpage](#)



Save the Date Enroll Jeffco Opens Soon

It's almost time to enroll, Jeffco! Completing enrollment helps our district prepare for next year's staffing, budget, student resources and more. Round 1 of enrollment for the upcoming 2024-25 school year opens on **Tuesday, December 5**. All Jeffco families, **including preschool families**, will use our online enrollment system, [EnrollJeffco](#), to indicate where their student(s) will attend school next year. Not sure which school is best for your student? [School Finder](#) can help you make an informed decision for the 2024-25 school year.

## SCHEDULER NEWS

Trip Sargent



Parents, we have 14 days after Thanksgiving break before Finals begin on December 15th. As a result the last three weeks will pass quickly. Please contact staff regarding grade concerns. Note, teachers are not working during the Thanksgiving Break. I hope that the break allows each family to spend some positive time together.

## INSTRUCTION & ASSESSMENT NEWS

Julia Morgan



### **P/SAT Practice Tests**

Students can begin practicing now for the April 2024 digital P/SAT assessments. Students can use their College Board account to log into the Bluebook application on their Chromebook to take full-length practice tests from which feedback will be created to help students work towards a stronger score. If your student doesn't have a College Board account, they can [create one here](#). As a reminder, all students must use their Jeffco issued Chromebook device to test this year.

### **Finals Schedule**

Our finals dates this year will be **Friday, December 15, Monday, December 18, and Tuesday, December 19**. These will be 95 minute classes with a Gator Time to start and end the day to support students and teachers. You can view the schedule [here](#).

### **Family Calendar**

Please [use this calendar](#) to keep up with our schedule. All events and modified schedules can be found linked within the calendar.

# ACTIVITY NEWS

Nikki Kneuer



## **Acts of Kindness Club Holiday Gift Card Drive:**

As we head into this giving season, please consider helping some of SLHS' most in-need students.

Each year, SLHS PTSA and the Counseling Office collaborate to bring a little extra holiday joy to students and their families most in need in our community. **Donations of gift cards** help students purchase gifts and food for the holidays. Gift cards in any denomination are appreciated.; please label the gift card with the card amount.

Donations can be dropped off to the Security Desk at the front of the school Monday through Friday 8-2pm and are needed **no later than December 13<sup>th</sup>** so that they can be distributed to families before winter break.

[2023 Acts of Kindness Gift Card Drive Sign Up](#)

## **Gator Spotlight**

Gator Spotlight Award for SLHS student's outstanding work at school.

This award recognizes students for various achievements, including academic excellence, perfect attendance, most improved student, classroom participation, positive behavior, positive interactions with peers and staff, leadership, citizenship, community service, creativity and innovation, problem-solving skills, positive attitude, resilience, good sportsmanship, improvement in attendance, and improvement in grades.

Congratulations to this week's winners , Vanessa Cooper, Thomas Moore and Noah Hudnall !

## **News from Yearbook**

Mrs. Moores is continuing in the long-standing traditions Ms. Esposito established during her tenure. Yearbooks are now available for purchase. You can order them through [Jostensyearsbooks.com](http://Jostensyearsbooks.com) or the Financial Office via Mrs. Kellum. They are now \$85 a book. We appreciate all of your support of our program.

Just a reminder of our new Name Policy for the yearbook:

Students' formal name listed in Infinite Campus on or before December 1st will be used.

Nicknames will not appear in the yearbook. Any name changes after December 1st will not appear in the final publication. Reach out to Rachel Moores with questions.

[Join the PTSA here](#)

## After Prom

The PTSA is looking for help to plan after prom. Without parent participation, this event cannot happen. Volunteering to help for the event can be done on many levels, and does not necessarily require a ton of time on your part. If you would be interested in helping with the event in some manner, we ask that you fill out the interest form. This is not a commitment but allows us to know if we will have enough help to move forward with the event.

[Sign up here](#)

[SLHS Winter - Assembly Bell Schedule](#) -December 5th

[Check out all SLHS Activities and Clubs here!](#)

[Choir Monthly Newsletter](#)

## ATHLETIC NEWS

Joe Generose



### Gator Gear Up for Winter

Are you ready to rep your Gator Pride in the cold temperatures? The Boosters sponsored online Gator Gear Store has a wide selection of cold weather gear. Get your gear customized with your favorite winter sports team! Orders are shipped directly to your door within 7-14 business days.

[www.tinyurl.com/GatorGear22](http://www.tinyurl.com/GatorGear22)

### Upcoming Athletic Events

<b>11/20-11/24</b>	Thanksgiving Break
<b>11/29</b>	TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament @ Northglenn High School 4:00pm Basketball: Girls C Team Game vs. Silver Creek @ SLHS 5:15pm SL Experience & Athletic/Activity Showcase 5:30pm Basketball: Girls JV Game vs. Silver Creek @ SLHS 7:00pm Basketball: Girls Varsity Game vs. Silver Creek @ SLHS
<b>11/30</b>	6:00pm Wrestling: Girls Varsity Duals vs. Jefferson @ SLHS 7:00pm Wrestling: Boys Varsity Duals vs. Jefferson @ SLHS
<b>12/1</b>	TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament vs. @ Northglenn High School 9:00am Wrestling: Girls Varsity Tournament vs. Greeley West @ Greeley West

	6:15pm Ice Hockey: JV League Game vs. Cherry Creek @ <a href="#">The Ice Center at Promenade-Green</a>
<b>12/2</b>	TBD Basketball: Boys Varsity Tournament @ Northglenn High School 8:00am Wrestling: Boys Varsity Tournament @ Golden High School 11:00am Swim & Dive: Girls Varsity Meet @ Meyers Pool 8:00pm Ice Hockey: Varsity League Game vs. Pine Creek @ World Ice Arena 8:30pm Ice Hockey: JV Game vs. Ralston Valley @ Apex West

## COUNSELOR'S CORNER



**Warren Tech is hosting an open house**



**The counseling department wants to recognize**

November is National Family Caregivers Month (NFCM) is a time to recognize and honor family caregivers across the country. Thank you for all you do. <https://carecolorado.net> has further resources for families who need guidance for family members.

November is also National American Indian Heritage Month. The Arvada Center recently acknowledged Ancestral lands that include the Tsétséhestaestse (Cheyenne), the Hinono'eiteen (Arapaho), Nuche (Ute), and Oceti Sakowin (Lakota) nations. Fill free to check out the Arvada center website for activities and resources <https://arvadacenter.org>

**Family and community**

Try a family game night this weekend. Card games, dominos, even old fashion monopoly can be a fun 15-20 minutes of family time.



## ADDITIONAL RESOURCES



- [SLHS Homepage](#)
- [SLHS Activities & Athletics](#)
- [Full Schedule of SLHS Events](#)
- [2023-2024 SLHS Athletic Dates](#)
- [2023-2024 CHSAA Calendar](#)
- [SL PTSA](#)
- [SL Activities/Athletics Boosters](#)
- [SL Music Boosters](#)
- [SL GET](#)

## DATES AT-A-GLANCE

Nov 20th - Nov 26	Thanksgiving Break
Nov 27th	3:40 pm- Newspaper Club - Classroom B135
Nov 28th	8:00 am Hearing and Vision Screening - Auxiliary gym
Nov 29th	8:15 am- National Honor Society Meeting -Auditorium 12:00 pm- French Club Cafe Classroom B207 3:45 pm- Spark & Salut Winter Party - Classroom B207 5:00 pm - SL Experience & Athletic/Activity Showcase



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Home of the Gators

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<https://www.slhsgators.com/>

**SLHS is a comprehensive high school dedicated to academic excellence,  
inspiring lifelong learners prepared to engage the world with empathy and pride**