

## Join Jeffco PTA to Discuss the School District's Budget and More

**Monday, March 22, 2010** from 6:30 - 8 pm at the Jeffco Education Center Boardroom  
1829 Denver West Dr. #27, Golden, 80401 • Snacks are Provided

The evening includes Dr. Cindy Stevenson, information on a possible Mill Levy and Bond measure, current legislative information, Jeffco PTA's financial policy (developed with Jeffco Public Schools), and a Q&A session. RSVP to [mmcpatt@yahoo.com](mailto:mmcpatt@yahoo.com).

## Save the Date: Jeffco Spring Fling Awards Banquet on April 23, 2010

Following dinner at the **89th Annual Colorado PTA Convention**

### Celebrating our JEFFCO STARS!

**8:00 - 9:30 p.m.**

**\$10 per person or \$50 per person for dinner & Spring Fling  
(with keynote speaker Jake Norton)**

The Hyatt Regency Denver Tech Center, 7800 E. Tufts Avenue, Denver, 80237  
Click [here](#) for the registration form.

## Do You Have an Outstanding Volunteer in Your School?

### Honor them with a Jane Hammond Award!

The Jane Hammond award honors individual PTA members who value people, and model integrity, teamwork, or exemplary volunteerism in our Jeffco schools. This individual can be a member of your board, a parent, a teacher, or even your principal! Click [here](#) for more information and to apply.

## "Three Star" and "Hand in Hand" PTA Awards

### Let Jeffco PTA honor your hard work!

Please visit Jeffco PTA's awards web page for information on these two awards and how to apply for them. Click [here](#).

## Time is Running Out to Register for 89th Annual Colorado PTA Convention!

Join us April 23 - 24, 2010 and "Reach for the Stars!" Keynote speakers include Dayle Haynes and Jake Norton. For more information, click [here](#). For the registration page, click [here](#).

## Have You Ever Dreamed of Being on the Jeffco PTA Board?

We have several openings right now! If you're interested in any of the following positions, please contact the Jeffco PTA President, Michelle Winzent at [president@jeffcopta.org](mailto:president@jeffcopta.org).

- Articulation Area Vice President for the Columbine/Chatfield area and the Pomona area
- Parliamentarian
- Hospitality
- Grant Writer
- ExCEL Coordinator

## It's Scholarship Time

Do you have a graduating senior? Do you know a graduating senior? Would you or your PTA like to make a donation to Jeffco PTA's scholarship fund? If so, now is the time to contact our scholarship chair at [nlr1218@msn.com](mailto:nlr1218@msn.com) or visit our scholarship page [here](#). Jeffco PTA has two \$1,000 scholarships to give away. One vocational and one scholastic. Have your senior apply now!

## Coordinated School Health in Your School

If your school would be interested in the "Healthy Schools Grant" in 2010-2011, click [here](#) to submit a short interest form or contact Amy Dillon, Jeffco Healthy Schools Coordinator at 303-982-6507 or [adillon@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:adillon@jeffco.k12.co.us) for more information.

## Normalcy Returning to Deer Creek Middle School

The day students returned to school, Jeffco Council PTA had the honor of catering a lunch for the Deer Creek Teachers, Staff, Counselors, Law Enforcement personnel and all of the other wonderful Jeffco employees that were on hand to make the return to school a success. The staff was treated to a delicious lunch provided by Olive Garden and a gorgeous cake and cupcakes by Cakes Amore. As we served lunch to everyone, we also heard the sounds of normalcy as the students were in the cafeteria enjoying their lunch. Read more [here](#).

## Jeffco Schools Purple Turns Green

The color purple has long been a part of Jeffco's "look" and logo. But a new year brings a new greenish tint to Jeffco's signature color. The district is implementing a district-wide recycling program in its effort to be more environmentally friendly. Joe Pitoniak, Jeffco's director of custodial services said, "We are recycling virtually everything including paper, plastic and cans." In every area of the district the process will be single stream recycling; that's where the materials collected are all mixed together with no sorting required. Participating in the program is voluntary for schools but many are expected to take advantage of the easy process. "We believe it is money well-spent when we can point to recycling the waste that has been simply thrown away in the past," said Jeffco's Chief Operating Officer, Bob Smith.

## 9Teachers Who Care Winner from Mitchell Elementary

Congratulations to music teacher, Rob Phillips from Mitchell Elementary for being this month's 9Teachers Who Care winner. Rob has been teaching for 21 years. You can watch his story on Friday, March 12 on 9News.

## Upcoming Events

### 89th Annual Colorado PTA Convention April 23-24, 2010

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7800 E. Tufts Avenue  
Denver, CO 80237

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### Jeffco PTA Spring Fling April 23, 2010 8:00-9:30pm

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## This Month's Quote

Robert Hutchins-

It must be remembered that the purpose of education is not to fill the minds of students with facts... it is to teach them to think, if that is possible, and always to think for themselves.

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