

Welcome to Jeffco Public Schools 2012-13 Report to the Community

We are pleased to share with you the amazing achievements of our students, teachers and staff.

First we will focus on some significant numbers that help illustrate the achievements of the year. Jeffco has excelled in all areas - academics, operational effectiveness, fiscal management, transparency and community engagement. We have continued our traditions of excellence in education and received national recognition as being a progressive school district.

We do recognize that numbers don't tell the whole story. That is why this Annual Report backs up the numbers with the personal stories of successful students and supportive adults. So, as you view the numbers, pause along the way to click on the links to uplifting stories, photos and videos.

Our focus is on children and the things that can put them on the path to good jobs and fulfilling lives.

If you played a role in the success of a Jeffco student or school, thanks for making this possible.

Let's begin with some numbers:

In 2012-13 Jeffco schools served **85,542*** students representing all walks of life.

Our diverse student population brought varied perspectives and cultures to our schools:

More than 34 percent of our students qualified for free and reduced lunch in 2012-13. * enrollment American Indian/Alaska Native Asian, Pacific Islander Black Hispanic White 67% Multiple Race 3%	qualified for free and reduced lunch in 2012-13. * enrollment Asian, Pacific Islander Black Hispanic White 67%	students representing all walks of life.		
2012-13. * enrollment Hispanic White 67%	2012-13. * enrollment Hispanic White 67%	More than 34 percent of our students	American Indian/Alaska Native	1%
* enrollment Hispanic White 67%	* enrollment Hispanic White 67%	qualified for free and reduced lunch in	Asian, Pacific Islander	3%
White 67%	White 67%	2012-13.	Black	1%
		* enrollment	Hispanic	24%
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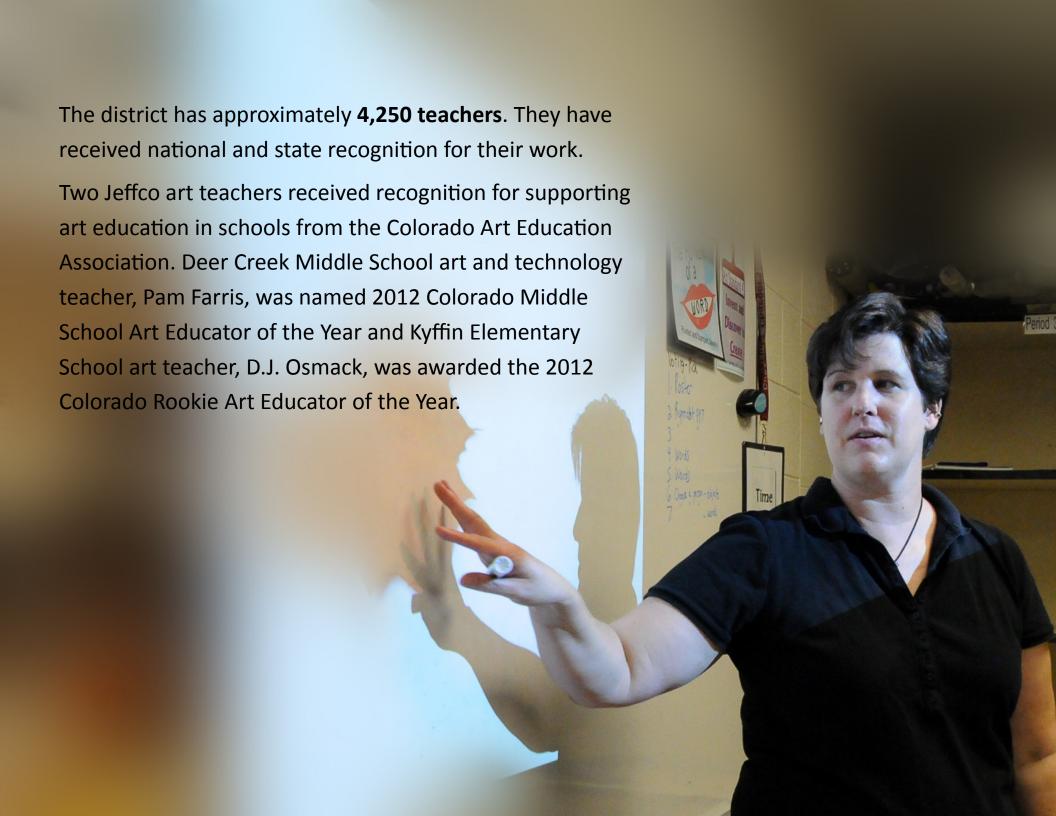
Your school district had:

89 elementary schools	9 option schools
3 K-8 schools	14 charter schools *
19 middle schools	1 online school
17 high schools	2 outdoor laboratory schools

Approximately **10 percent** of the K-12 students in Colorado attended a Jeffco school.

* Some Charter Schools have multiple locations, but are reported here as one school.



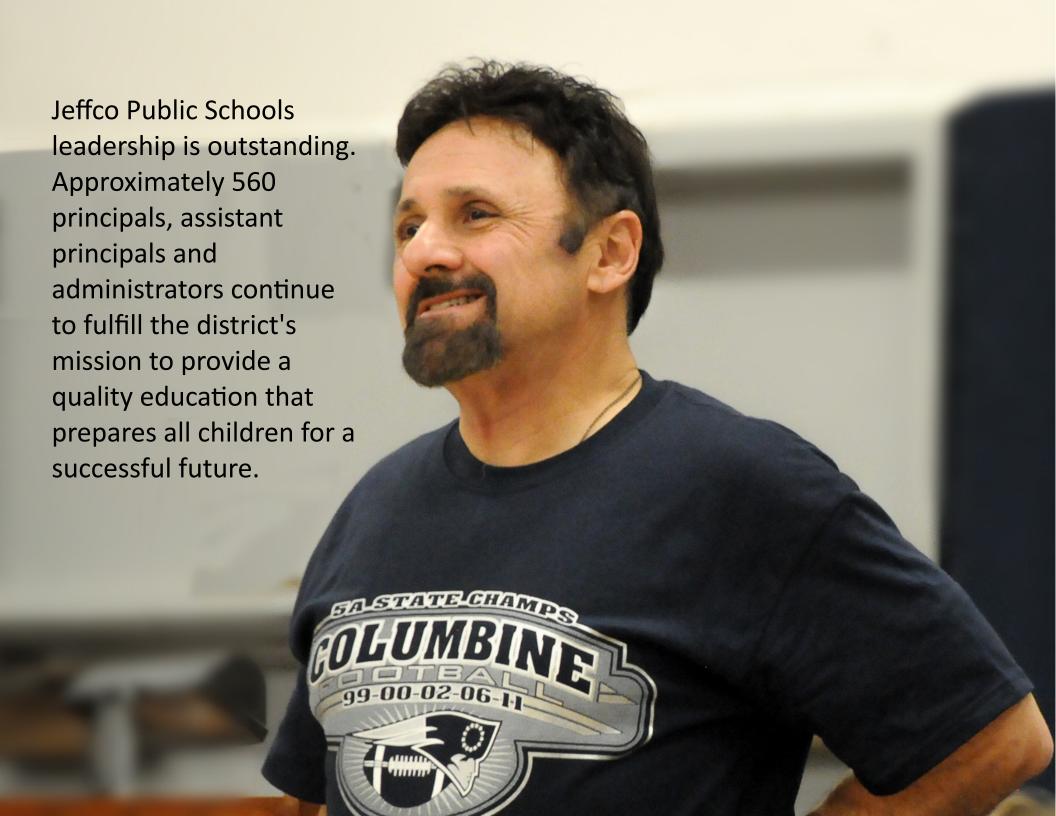


Highly Qualified Teachers



The district, one of the largest employers in the Jefferson County, pours millions of dollars into the economy employing approximately **14,000 full and part-time employees**.





Board of Education

Five citizens serve on the Jefferson County Board of Education. They work without pay to provide policy guidance and advocate for public education.



2012-2013 Jefferson County Board of Education



Lesley Dahlkemper - President - District 4

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As a business owner, Lesley Dahlkemper understands that successful schools prepare our future workforce, attract good jobs and keep property values strong. She's passionate about providing every Jeffco student with an excellent education.

After receiving her master's degree in journalism, Lesley – a Chicago native – moved to Colorado in 1989 to work as a reporter for Colorado Public Radio. She launched a national award winning communications firm.

Lesley lives in Lakewood with her husband, Mike Feeley, and daughter Grace who attends a Jeffco school. Lesley served on Rooney Ranch' Elementary School's improvement committee and co-chaired the 2008 bond/mill election for Jeffco Public Schools.

Lesley is the past board president of the Action Center and serves on the Jeffco/Gilpin CASA Advisory Board, which advocates on behalf of abused and neglected children.



Paula Noonan - First Vice President - District 5

Paula Noonan, Ph.D., has supported Jeffco schools since 1983 when her son entered Normandy Elementary. Now, her grandchildren attend Normandy. Paula led the bond campaign that built schools across the district, including Dakota Ridge.

She was chair of the District Accountability Committee and program chair for the Jefferson Foundation. An educator and entrepreneur, Paula brings over 30 years of commitment to education in Colorado.

Paula has a BA from Cornell University; MA, University of California, Santa Barbara; Ph.D, University of Denver. She was a vice president, Colorado National Bank and owns her own businesses, Frontline Solutions and ColoradoCapitalWatch.

Mrs. Noonan's term with the Jefferson County Board of Education ended in November 2013.

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Laura Boggs - Second Vice President - District 2

Laura Boggs and her husband Chris are raising two children who have been in Jeffco schools since kindergarten.

Laura received her Bachelor of Business Administration from the University of Michigan in 1981. She has worked for large businesses – IBM and Lexmark – and has been fortunate to run her own business for the last ten years. She is passionate about student achievement, preparing children for their futures and being fiscally responsible.

Mrs. Boggs term on the Jefferson County Board of Education ended in November 2013.



Jill Fellman - Secretary - District 3

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Jill Fellman has had lifelong involvement in Jeffco Schools. She attended Patterson Elementary, Carmody Junior High (now Middle School) and Alameda High School. After graduating from the University of Notre Dame with a degree in mathematics, she returned to Jeffco to teach secondary math – first at Bear Creek High School and then at Moore Middle School.

Her 18 years in the classroom were followed by 12 years working in Jeffco's administration in curriculum and development. She retired from Jeffco in 2009 as a director of Learning and Educational Achievement. She spent the next two years as adjunct faculty for both the University of Colorado Denver (UCD) and Colorado State University (CSU), training student teachers in Jeffco and throughout the metro area.

Jill's passion is the learning process, and she is focused on ensuring that Jeffco Schools provides a great educational experience to every student in the district, every day.



Robin Johnson - Treasurer - District 1

Born in Roseville California, Robin and her family moved to Arvada in October 2004 when her husband's company relocated. She is happily married with three daughters. When their children are not in school, Robin and her husband, Jeff, enjoy family vacations.

Robin has been actively involved in PTA at many levels since 1998 when her oldest daughter started school. She has served as a local unit president and on the Jeffco Council PTA Board. Robin is also a past employee of the Colorado State PTA. She is currently working for a CPA in Wheat Ridge.

Mrs. Johnson's position on the Jefferson County Board of Education ended in August 2013 when she moved out of the district.



Volunteers

Thousands of parents and community members volunteer their time and talents to support Jeffco students. There are many wonderful stories about these people – here are some you should know about.

Retired Geophysicist Allan Skorpen has volunteered at Stein Elementary School for five years.

Green Mountain Elementary School volunteeer **Pat Tinsley** has been volunteering at the school for more than 30 years. She has spent hundreds of hours protecting students in crosswalks and reading to students in the classroom.



The students at Standley Lake High have benefited from the support of their volunteer athletic boosters and local businesses. Thanks to their work and donations totaling approximately **\$33,000**, the students have a new batting cage, bullpen, fenced workout area for players, storage and lighting improvements.





2012-2013 SPAC Accomplishments

Strategic Planning & Advisory Council serves in an advisory role to the Board of Education and district leadership. This is a collaborative group composed of Board of Education members, district and citizen leadership, representatives from each employee association, area accountability representatives, as well as citizen and parent leaders from a variety of Jefferson County stakeholder groups.

SPAC member feedback on important issues facing the district is critical as we work together to provide all of our children with a quality education that prepares them for a successful future.

2012-2013 Accomplishments:

- Reviewed the role and legal and strategic responsibilities of the Council.
- Advised district leadership and the Board of Education on the implementation of budget reductions with continued reform efforts for the 2013-2014 school year. Members gave feedback on steps to take to meet the Board's goal of "100% Career and College Ready" in such a restrictive environment.
- Reviewed the recommendation of the Charter School Review Committee which was represented by Bill Bottoms with Steve Otto, Cheryl Atencio and Lynn Huizing.
- Sponsored Accountability Training for school accountability chairpersons and principals.
- Fulfilled statutory responsibility by reviewing and advising on the District Performance Framework, the Jeffco Unified Improvement Plan, and the results of the 2011-2012 Call to Action. The advice impacted the completion of the Unified Improvement Plan.
- Advised district leadership on the draft 2012-2015 Call to Action. The advice included suggested changes to the Objectives, Indicators and Targets in the Business and Finance, Community, Educational Research/Design, Leadership, Schools: Elementary, Middle, Senior High, and Support Services sections.
- Reviewed district plans for one-time and ongoing funds from the new mill levy and bond funds as promised to voters of 3A and 3B, and the use of funds to accelerate secured school entrances.
- Received information on the statewide efforts to address education funding in Colorado through the 'Year of the Student.'
- Began a two month cycle of informational presentations on significant reforms on the Jeffco horizon and the opportunities and challenges inherent in the systems change.
- Fulfilled the SPAC charge to examine the principal evaluation system and advised district staff on communications regarding these significant changes to teacher and principal accountability and effectiveness to the broader community.
- Completed the circle of significant reforms to increase student achievement by learning of the new PARCC assessments, the Common Core State Standards,
 Jeffco's Collaborative Curriculum Alignment Project (C-CAP), and integration of student data management for teacher use and personalized instruction through the inBloom project.
- Advised the Board and administration on key communication points and concerns for community in the 'brave new world' of preparing students for 21st century learning and working.
- Hosted school accountability and PTA leadership teams in a review and understanding of the new generation of systems and tools to support our schools and students.

In **November 2012**, voters in Jefferson County sent a strong message in support of education when 58 percent approved ballot issue 3A, and 54 percent backed issue 3B. As a result of voter approval, **\$39 million** will be generated each year to maintain classroom size, restore two days of school and ensure students have access to instrumental music, teacher-librarians, electives and Outdoor Lab. Ballot issue 3B provides **\$99 million** in funds for repairs to aging schools.

The funding allowed the district to continue its efforts to upgrade technology in schools and enhance building security. See the scope of the district's <u>bond funded building projects</u>.



Jeffco outperformed the state in all grade levels and content areas (reading, writing, mathematics, and science) for the 2012-13 Transitional Colorado Assessment Program (TCAP) results.

- On the TCAP reading test, **38,136** Jeffco students in grades 3-10 scored in the advanced/proficient category.
- For the TCAP mathematics test, **31,251** students scored advanced or proficient.



Jeffco Schools were honored with John Irwin Awards. These are given by the Colorado Department of Education to schools that demonstrate excellent academic achievement. See the list of schools here.





Jeffco continues to outperform the state's composite score in both Colorado ACT and Graduating Class ACT.

27.4 was D'Evelyn High School's 2012 Composite ACT score. The school's class of 2012 had the highest ACT score of all public schools in Colorado. ACT scores are an indication of college readiness.



18 Jeffco seniors were named National Merit Semi-Finalists during the 2012-13 school year. The National Merit Scholarship Corporation honors students who score in the top one percent on the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). Shown here are some of the scholars from Lakewood High School: Vivian Zhang, Jacob Stufflebeam, Kaia Sargent, Clara Howell, Jacob Milleville, and Tommy Fan.







Jeffco graduates earned more than \$57 million in scholarships to local and national colleges and universities. Four Jeffco students were named 2013 *Boettcher Scholars*, along with 11 2013 *Daniel's Fund* winners.

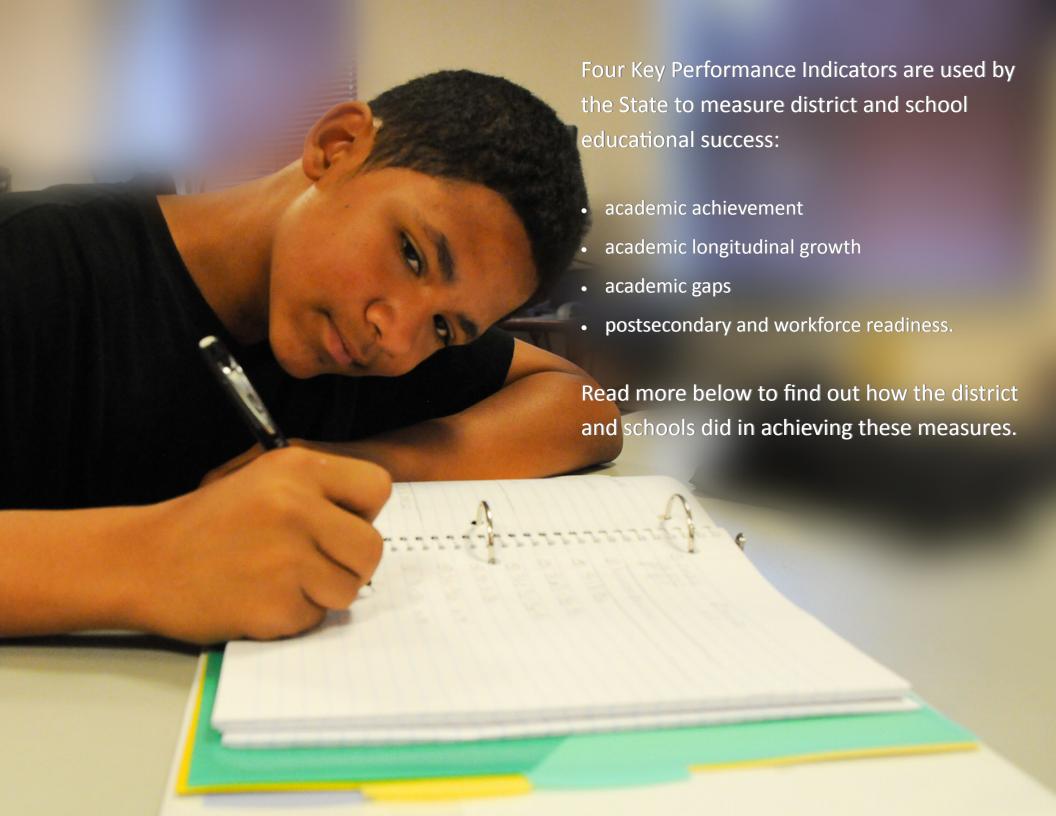


Jeffco athletes won too many awards to be listed here, but highlights include Pomona High School's 2013 5A State Wrestling championship, which helped earn coach Sam Federico the 5A Wrestling Coach of the Year award.









School and Student Achievement

The Colorado Achievement Plan for Kids Act of 2008 and The Education Accountability Act of 2009 are two pieces of legislation aimed at ensuring Colorado students graduate from high school and are prepared for higher education or success in the work place. These laws established a system that holds school districts and individual schools accountable on a set of consistent, objective measures, including four key performance measures - achievement, growth, closing gaps, and postsecondary/workforce readiness. For districts, the evaluation of overall performance on these indicators leads to an accreditation designation by the state. For schools, the evaluation of overall performance on these indicators leads to the assignment of the type of improvement plan schools will implement.

The Colorado Department of Education issues district and school level Performance Framework Reports which provide a snapshot of the district's or school's performance. You can review <u>Jeffco's accreditation designation</u> on the Colorado Department of Education's <u>Schoolview website</u>.

129 out of 159 Jeffco schools received the highest type of plan assignment, a performance rating. The district has met state expectations in reading, math, writing and science academic achievement performance on the District Performance Framework.

You can review plan types assigned to each school and student assessment results, a key component in evaluating schools, on the next several pages.

The Colorado Growth Model

The Growth Model compares each student's performance to students in the same grade throughout Colorado who had similar scores in past years on the Transitional Colorado Assessment Program (TCAP) tests, and calculates a Student Growth Percentile. For example, if the student grew academically as much, or more, than 60 percent of his or her peers, the student would have a 60th Growth Percentile. For schools, the Colorado Department of Education reports the median growth percentile, which can be found on the Department of Education's Schoolview website.

Elementary School Achievement

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating	School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Adams Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	<u>Deane Elementary</u>	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Allendale Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Dennison Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Arvada K-8</u>	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Devinny Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bear Creek K-8	Accredited with Performance Plan	Dutch Creek Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Belmar Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Edgewater Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bergen Meadow Primary	Accredited with Performance Plan	<u>Eiber Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bergen Valley Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Elk Creek Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Blue Heron Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Fairmount Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bradford Primary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Fitzmorris Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Bradford Intermediate	Accredited with Performance Plan	Foothills Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan
<u>Campbell Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Foster Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Coal Creek Canyon K-8	Accredited with Performance Plan	Fremont Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Colorow Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Glennon Heights Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Columbine Hills Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Governor's Ranch Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Coronado Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Green Gables Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan

Elementary School Achievement (continued)

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating	School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Green Mountain Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Meiklejohn Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Hackberry Hill Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Mitchell Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Hutchinson Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Molholm Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Kendallvue Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Mortensen Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Kendrick Lakes Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Mount Carbon Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Kullerstrand Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Normandy Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Kyffin Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Parmalee Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Lasley Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Parr Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Lawrence Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Patterson International	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Leawood Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Peck Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Little Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Peiffer Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Lukas Elementary</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Pennington Elementary	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
<u>Lumberg Elementary</u>	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Pleasant View Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Maple Grove Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Powderhorn Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Marshdale Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Prospect Valley Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan

Elementary School Achievement (continued)

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating	School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Ralston Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Swanson Elementary	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
Red Rocks Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Thomson Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Rooney Ranch Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Ute Meadows Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Ryan Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Van Arsdale Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Secrest Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Vanderhoof Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Semper Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	<u>Vivian Elementary</u>	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Shaffer Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Warder Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Shelton Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Weber Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Sheridan Green Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Welchester Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Sierra Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	West Jefferson Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Slater Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	West Woods Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
South Lakewood Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Westgate Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Stein Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Westridge Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Stevens Elementary	Accredited with Turnaround Plan (PK-4)	Wheat Ridge 5-8	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
Stober Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Wilmore-Davis Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Stony Creek Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Wilmot Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Stott Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan	Witt Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan

Middle School Achievement

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating	School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Arvada K-8	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Falcon Bluffs Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bear Creek K-8	Accredited with Performance Plan	Ken Caryl Middle School	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Bell Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan	Mandalay Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Carmody Middle School</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Moore Middle School	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Coal Creek K-8	Accredited with Performance Plan	North Arvada Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Creighton Middle School	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Oberon Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Deer Creek Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan	O'Connell Middle School	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
Drake Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan	Summit Ridge Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Dunstan Middle School</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan	Wayne Carle Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Evergreen Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan	West Jefferson Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Everitt Middle School	Accredited with Improvement Plan	Wheat Ridge 5-8	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan

High School Achievement

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Alameda High School	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
Arvada High School	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Arvada West High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Bear Creek High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Chatfield High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Columbine High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Conifer High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Dakota Ridge High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Evergreen High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Golden High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Green Mountain High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jefferson High School	Accredited with Priority Improvement Plan
Lakewood High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Pomona High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Ralston Valley High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Standley Lake High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Wheat Ridge High School	Accredited with Performance Plan

Option School Achievement

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Brady Exploration High School	Accredited with AEC* Improvement Plan
D'Evelyn Junior/Senior	Accredited with Performance Plan
Dennison Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jeffco Open School Elementary	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Jeffco Open School Middle School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jeffco Open School High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jeffco's 21st Century Virtual Academy - Middle	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Jeffco's 21st Century Virtual Academy - High	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Long View High School	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Manning Options	Accredited with Performance Plan
McLain High School	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Warren Tech Central **	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Warren Tech North **	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Connections Learning Center	Accredited with AEC*: Performance Plan
Fletcher Miller School (no data available)	Accredited with AEC*: Improvement Plan
Sobesky Academy	Accredited with AEC*: Improvement Plan

Charter School Achievement

School Name (click for TCAP/CSAP results)	Accreditation Rating
Collegiate Academy Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan
Compass Montessori Golden	Accredited with Performance Plan
Compass Montessori Wheatridge	Accredited with Improvement Plan
Excel Academy Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan
Free Horizon Montessori Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jefferson Academy Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jefferson Academy Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan
Jefferson Academy High School	Accredited with Performance Plan
Lincoln Academy Elementary	Accredited with Performance Plan
<u>Lincoln Academy Middle School</u>	Accredited with Performance Plan
Montessori Peaks Academy	Accredited with Performance Plan
Mountain Phoenix Community Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Improvement Plan
New America High School	Accredited with AEC* Priority Improvement Plan
Rocky Mountain Academy of Evergreen Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan
Rocky Mountain Deaf School	Accredited with AEC* Performance Plan
Two Roads Charter School Middle and High	Accredited with Performance Plan
Woodrow Wilson Academy Elementary & Middle	Accredited with Performance Plan



For approximately \$40 a day, each Jeffco Public School student was provided:

 Highly skilled and trained teachers that make a difference in students' lives

 Specialized learning services for students with special needs

 Access to library resources and technology

 Guidance, counseling and other support services

Textbooks, materials and equipment

 Transportation to and from school (subsidized by fees)

Extracurricular activities (subsidized by fees)

Choices of learning environments

Security services

Clean and well-maintained facilities

Learn more about school budgets and sources of school funding here.





100 Percent – That's what everyone gave this school year to make sure that the children of Jefferson County received a quality education.

We have great hopes for our children's future and they do too.



Federal and State Reporting Requirements

Every year, school districts in Colorado report about their performance based on state and federal requirements. This data, which includes assessment scores, accountability measures, teacher qualifications, and other data for the district and for individual schools, has been compiled by the Colorado Department of Education at www.schoolview.org. Parents and community members are invited to review this site for more detailed information about Jeffco Public Schools' performance. Individual school profiles are also available on the Jeffco Public Schools website at www.jeffcopublicschools.org/schools.



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