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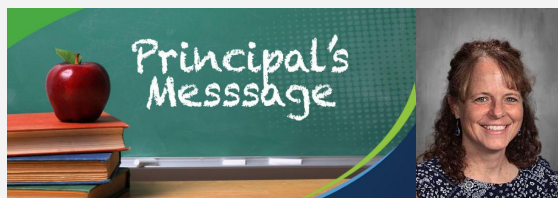
Two Roads--We are **HARDWORKING**, **CARING**, and **ACADEMIC**.  
We utilize **COLLABORATION**, **CRITICAL THINKING**, **COMMUNICATION**, and **CREATIVITY**.

School Website: [www.tworoadscharter.org](http://www.tworoadscharter.org)  
Littleton Campus Office/Attendance Line: 720-425-6163  
Instagram: "tworoadslittletonhomeschool" and Facebook Group: Two Roads  
Littleton Homeschool Program

Refer to the school website calendar for a complete list of school events.

<u>EVENTS</u>	<u>DATE/TIME</u>
<b>Elementary Assembly</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, November 2nd @ 10:00 a.m.               <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ BINGO Awards</li> <li>○ Birthday Recognition</li> <li>○ Falcon Award Prizes</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
<b>Fall Break - NO SCHOOL</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Thursday, October 19th &amp; Friday, October 20th</li> </ul>
<b>Skate City</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Tuesday, October 24th @ 6:00-8:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Pumpkin Decorating Contest</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, October 27th</li> </ul>
<b>Costume Day</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, October 27th &amp; Tuesday, October 31st</li> </ul>
<b>Parent Coffee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Friday, October 27th @ 2:00 p.m.</li> </ul>
<b>Resource Table</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Check out the resource section at the end of the newsletter for a variety of helpful information.</li> </ul>

## *Welcome to our Weekly School Newsletter!*



Thank you for participating in parent-teacher conferences. We value our partnership with our families. Always reach out with questions, either to your child's teacher, the front office, or by emailing our Two Roads email account, [TwoRoadsQuestions@gmail.com](mailto:TwoRoadsQuestions@gmail.com). Have a wonderful weekend!

## Staff Spotlight



### David Cowan - Academic Counselor

This is my first year at Two Roads and my 39th year as a teacher/counselor. I was looking for a part-time position and Two Roads offered such. But, meeting the staff during the interview process convinced me it was a good fit. I've never been married, but have a large support group of family members as I am one of 6 kids. Pickleball and golf are 2 of my big interests outside of school. I also have 2 rescue dogs which keep me company and busy.



### Emily VanDeWalker

This is my first full year of teaching at Two Roads after taking over mid semester last year. I love going to school with my baby of six kids who is a freshman. My husband and I homeschooled our children for 21 years and have enjoyed the benefits of TR for four years now. We both love all things history... reading about it, traveling to see it, discussing different viewpoints in it. When I am not in the classroom, I am helping my husband run our ranch in Sedalia where we host small weddings and events.

## Newsletter Key:



= new information in the newsletter



= volunteer opportunities



= event information



= meeting information

## SAC SURVEY

Thank you for taking time to complete the School Accountability Committee Survey. Your feedback is greatly appreciated. We take each comment into consideration, discussing areas of success, strength and growth opportunities. Our goal is to provide the best possible homeschool partnership program for your family.

### **Questions Asked:**

- **Does Two Roads collaborate with CHEC or other homeschool programs?** Two Roads operates as a homeschool program affiliated with Jefferson County Public Schools and relies on public funding from the district. It's important to note that students may only enroll in one publicly funded program. However, private programs and private schools do not receive public funding, allowing students to participate in both a public and a private program simultaneously.

CHEC, on the other hand, serves as an organization that provides homeschooling families with the option of utilizing them as an umbrella school. In the 1980s, many states did not legally recognize

homeschooling as a valid form of education. In response, parents joined forces to establish unaccredited private programs or schools, with each one functioning as a satellite program. The concept of an umbrella school emerged as a means to legitimize homeschooling programs, and its specifics can vary from one state to another.

An umbrella school for homeschooling is an independent educational institution that helps families conform to state homeschooling regulations. It's important to highlight that if you are affiliated with an umbrella school, you generally do not need to submit a letter of intent to the district.

- **Is it possible to have volunteer hours I can do with a toddler?** This year, we've reduced the required volunteer hours from 20 to 10 and have a range of options available. We begin the year with a few choices and continue to expand the selection as the year goes on. Additionally, we provide options for parents to volunteer from home and opportunities to contribute by baking or providing requested items for special events. Please reach out to the front office if you are looking for ways to volunteer.

**Positive Comments:**

- What a welcoming school!
- Good job, the short assembly was good this year, fosters connection.
- Your people make it awesome!

## **Attention 6th Grade Students - Outdoor Lab**

April may seem so far away, but it's already time to start thinking and planning for our 6th grade Outdoor Lab adventure! Our Outdoor Lab dates for this Spring are *April 1-4* at Camp IdRaHaJe. This adventure is a great opportunity for our 6th grade homeschool students. We feel that the experience is too important to miss! Please click on the link below, read the letter for more information and sign-up using the registration link.

[2023 Spring Outdoor Lab Letter](#)

**OUTDOOR LAB MEDS:** If your child will need medication, even over-the-counter medications at Outdoor Lab, please talk to Mr. Aragon. You will need to complete paperwork.



## **Costume Day: Wear Your Costumes**

All students and staff please feel free to dress up in costumes on Friday, October 27th and Tuesday, October 31st. Please remember to make this fun! Masks or makeup should not cover the student's face in a manner that makes the student unrecognizable. Plastic, toy or facsimile guns/weapons (swords, play knives, etc.) are NOT allowed. Costumes that are overly graphic or gory, promote violence or otherwise might logically be assumed to be offensive to others are not acceptable. Costumes that are suggestive and/or would violate the school's dress code are not appropriate.



## **Family Service Hours**

Thank you to those who have stepped up! It is great having you on campus! Please don't forget to sign in at the front office when you are on campus. We were hoping that the reduction in family service hours this year would encourage more parents and grandparents to help out. We truly love having you in the building and have a variety of opportunities. We would also love to see parents host after school clubs or activities, so reach out to Mrs. Donow if you are interested.

- [Snack Shack](#)
- [Culinary Class](#)
- [Traffic Monitor - WE NEED YOU!](#)

- [Lunch Monitor](#)
- [Sewing Class](#)



## FEES

Please check your email for your electronic fee statement and email from Two Roads regarding remaining balances. We appreciate your prompt attention to unpaid fees.

## Field Trips

Is your family interested in connecting with other Two Roads students? Do you already plan a lot of field trips? We are looking for a parent who would like to organize field trips for our Two Roads community. Please contact Tricia Shive @ [tricia.shive@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:tricia.shive@jeffco.k12.co.us) if you would like to earn your service hours planning field trips.



## Two Roads Foundation

Did you know the goal of the Two Roads Foundation is to provide financial assistance to support the needs, efforts and mission of Two Roads? The Foundation raises money through grants, fundraisers, and donations from our school community, businesses and non-profit organizations. Our vision is to cultivate a life-long passion for learning through a sense of community between staff, parents and students. We are already planning our



## Two Roads *WILL NOT* Be Participating in the District's Healthy Schools Survey

Since we've had parents ask, we wanted to be clear that Two Roads *WILL NOT* be participating in the District's Healthy Schools survey.



## Parent Coffee

Save the date for the next Parent Coffee Meeting on Friday, October 27th at 2pm. We will have grade-specific tables (for example Parents of 2nd and 3rd graders, Parents of 4th, 5th and 6th graders, etc) so that you will get a chance to talk with Parents who have children in the same grades as you. There will be a chance to move around to other tables as well for Parents who have children in multiple grades! Food and coffee will be provided ☕🍎

## Pre-Arranged Absence Forms

Is your family planning to be out for a vacation or for an absence longer than one day? If so, please complete the pre-arranged absence form. Students are expected to communicate with teachers at least 3 days prior to their absence so teachers have time to collect any materials necessary for students to complete work while away.

[https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/pre-arranged\\_absences](https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/pre-arranged_absences)



## Pumpkin Decorating Contest - Elementary

This is at least our 13th year decorating pumpkins! Elementary students are encouraged to bring in a decorated (not carved) pumpkin on Friday, October 27th to be entered into the competition. Be creative, decorating with paint, feathers, pom poms, construction paper, etc... Winners will be based on who made the most creative and original pumpkin! Students should bring their pumpkins with them to school in the morning.



## Schoology Help

If you or your child are struggling with Schoology, please contact your child's teacher or the front desk. We also have Schoology Help on our website: [https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/schoology\\_help](https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/schoology_help)



### Skate City

We had so much fun last year skating with friends, old and new! Breakout those skating skills and join us for a glow in the dark skating party!

- Tuesday, October 24th
- 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
- Skate City, 5801 S Lowell Way, Littleton, CO 80123
- \$7 Entrance and \$4 Skate Rental



### 23-24 Yearbook

Don't miss out on our 23-24 Two Roads Littleton Homeschool Program yearbook! Orders placed by October 31st will receive 10% off! Order now! With every purchase there are two free customizable pages. These two custom pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in the purchased book.

*Scan the QR code or use this link:*

<https://www.treering.com/purchase?PassCode=1015682301773378>



### 23-24 Yearbook Cover Contest

The yearbook photo contest is a competition for all Two Roads students. The winner, voted on by the yearbook team and Two Roads staff and faculty, is featured on the cover of this year's book. Second and third place, along with other notable entries, will be featured inside the book.

- Students of all grades can submit up to three entries. Artwork and photos encouraged. Must be landscapes or animals, no people.
- Due by the end of first semester, December 15th.
- Email entries or any questions to [tworoads.littleton.photocontest@outlook.com](mailto:tworoads.littleton.photocontest@outlook.com)
- Please include full name and grade in email with entries.

## Two Roads is a Homeschool Partnership

Our collaboration with you as the primary educator aims to enrich students' overall educational experience. At Two Roads, we are committed to providing students with ample opportunities to practice their learning before being required to demonstrate mastery of the content. This approach encompasses various learning activities, including projects, reading assignments, and reflective responses, both in and outside of the classroom.

In each class, our teachers introduce new material weekly, and it is expected that students will engage in coursework at home throughout the week. While the responsibility of planning and completing work falls on the students, we emphasize the vital role of parents in supervising and supporting their children's learning. We encourage a consistent approach to attendance and the completion of coursework, both within and beyond the classroom. All assignments are conveniently accessible on Schoology, and if your student requires assistance with Schoology, they are encouraged to seek help from a teacher or visit the front office.

It's important to note that students who do not successfully complete the first semester of any academic or elective class may not be allowed to continue in that class for the second semester. If your student is facing

academic challenges in a specific class, we encourage you to reach out to the teacher for guidance. Our teachers possess a wealth of expertise and may offer valuable suggestions on the types of resources that can be utilized at home to support your child's learning journey.

## **Warren Tech - Current Interested 10th/11th Graders**

Current 10th and 11th grade students interested in Warren Tech should start thinking about applying for the 24-25 school year. *Interested Two Roads students must apply for a **MORNING SESSION** of Warren Tech.* If you are planning to apply to Warren Tech please let our Academic Counselor, David Cowan, know. He can be reached at [David.Cowan@jeffco.k12.co.us](mailto:David.Cowan@jeffco.k12.co.us). For more information about the different programs offered at Warren Tech please check out the following website: <https://warrentech.jeffcopublicschools.org/programs>

### **2024-25 WT APPLICATION**

**The Warren Tech application in Enroll Jeffco opens October 25, 2023. Mark your calendars!**

- Round 1 applications are accepted beginning October 25, 2023- February 9, 2024.
- Students are encouraged to apply during ROUND 1 to have the best chance for their program choice.

### **WT Open House**

**December 6, 2023 | 5:00p.m. - 8:00p.m. | All Warren Tech Campuses**

- The Open House is the #1 way to experience Warren Tech as a potential student and we highly recommend it! NOTE: This is a self-guided experience, but there are informational presentations throughout the evening.
- Please encourage students and their families to attend for an up-close view of Warren Tech.
- Students and families can visit multiple campuses in one evening.

# CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES IN THIS YEAR'S TWO ROADS CHARTER SCHOOL -LITTLETON YEARBOOK!

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# RESOURCES

<b>Absence Reporting Form</b>	<a href="https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/attendance_line">https://tworoads.jeffcopublicschools.org/family/attendance_line</a>
<b>Family Service Hours</b>	Opportunities are added throughout the school year. Check out the links on our website- <a href="#">Volunteer Opportunities</a>
<b>Fees</b>	Your contact for fee questions or payment questions is our Financial Secretary, Connie Wennen. You may reach Connie by emailing <a href="mailto:connie.wennen@jeffco.k12.co.us">connie.wennen@jeffco.k12.co.us</a> or by calling 303-423-3377 Ext. 284. The parent portal for viewing your statement and paying fees online is linked here: <a href="#">Campus Parent Portal</a> <a href="#">How to Pay Fees Through Campus Parent Portal</a>
<b>Homeschool Resources</b>	Check out this folder of material presented at our Littleton Homeschool Coffees. Contents are updated as meetings occur. Please check the folder for anything you might have missed. If you have questions about any of the resources please email <a href="mailto:lisa.wick@jeffco.k12.co.us">lisa.wick@jeffco.k12.co.us</a> . <a href="#">Homeschool Coffee Parent Resources</a> <a href="#">Homeschool Curriculum Options</a> <a href="#">Curriculum Request Form</a>
<b>Lettering Applications</b>	It seems far off, but look at these now. All lettering applications are due by the last Thursday in April at 3:00 p.m. No late submissions will be considered. When using the links below, you will be prompted to make a copy of the application. <a href="#">Academic Letter</a> <a href="#">Athletics Letter</a> <a href="#">Community Service Letter</a> <a href="#">Drama Letter</a> <a href="#">Music Letter</a> <a href="#">Visual Arts Letter</a>
<b>MAP Testing</b>	We offer MAP testing to meet the standardized testing requirement for homeschool families. <a href="#">Family Guide to Map Growth PDF</a> <a href="#">MAP Family Toolkit - Website</a> <a href="#">Student Progress Report_Quick Reference PDF</a>
<b>National Honor</b>	Students who meet eligibility requirements (necessary sustained GPA) will



<b>Society</b>	be invited to apply in January of each year. To view the application packet use the following link: <a href="#">NHS Application Packet</a>
<b>Password Reset</b>	<a href="#">Parent/Guardian Password Reset Tool</a> <a href="#">Student Password Reset</a>
<b>Questions</b>	Unsure of who to contact with your question? Please start be emailing <a href="mailto:tworoadsquestions@gmail.com">tworoadsquestions@gmail.com</a>
<b>Schoology</b>	Parent login is your same login for Jeffco Connect and Infinite Campus. Parents and students should NOT be logged in on the same computer. Student username is the student number, password is their 8 digit birthdate <a href="#">Schoology Parent Notifications - Website Article</a> <a href="#">Schoology Parent View - Website Video</a>