

## ***Jeffco Public Schools Introduces Jeffco University for Parents & Community Members***

**GOLDEN, Colo. (September 20, 2017)** – Jeffco Public Schools is offering a new “citizens’ academy,” where parents/guardians of students and other community members can learn more about education in Jeffco. The goal of the program is to engage the Jeffco community in the school district’s strategic direction and purpose.

“One of the goals we have for [Jeffco Public Schools](#) is to engage our community with the things happening in our schools, building up that important reciprocal relationship,” explains Superintendent Dr. Jason Glass. “Toward that end, we’ve started taking applications for [Jeffco University](#), a citizens’ academy to engage with our schools and learn more about how they work.”

The program begins in October and runs through February, meeting one Wednesday a month from 5:30 – 8:30 p.m. The sessions will be held at different Jeffco Public Schools locations. Session topics include: Public Education Today, The What, Why & How of Teaching, Jeffco Logistics, Supporting Students, and Community Connections. Jeffco University will culminate with a graduation ceremony during the March 1 Board of Education meeting.

The course is limited to 40 participants; in the event that demand exceeds capacity, there will be a lottery system to fill spaces in a fair manner. Parents/Guardians of Jeffco students will be given preference for acceptance.

Applications are due by midnight, Monday, October 16. The first session is Wednesday, October 18.

For additional information, please see the [Jeffco University Application](#).

### **About Jeffco Public Schools**

Jeffco Public Schools has been providing educational excellence for more than 65 years. Approximately nine percent of all the K-12 students in Colorado attend a Jeffco school. Our mission is to provide a quality education that prepares all children for a successful future. The district serves over 86,000 students at 157 schools on 168 campuses. Find [Jeffco Public Schools](#) on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#).

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