



This Week In SPARTA



Thomas B. Doherty High School 4515 Barnes Rd. Colorado Springs, CO 80917

PTSA/SAC

Our monthly PTSA/SAC meeting will be held **Monday, January 11th** at 6:00pm via Webex. If you would like to become a member of our PTA/SAC click [here](#).
[Meeting Link](#)

Number: 120 416 0261
Pword: PruBTPaE275

Message from Principal Gardner:

Dear Doherty Students, Families, & Staff,

Happy New Year and welcome to 2021 and the 2nd semester. We begin the year with hope and cautious optimism. For our seniors, it's the realization that their 12-year school journey will conclude with the conferring of diplomas in late spring. For our students involved in athletics and activities, it's the hope that we will be able to begin to compete and to perform in the very near future. For all of our students, staff, parents, and community members, it is the hope that we will begin the slow process of getting back to the lives we once knew. My hope is that the worst is behind us, and that we can look forward to brighter days ahead. We have learned much about ourselves over the last ten months. It is my hope that we will apply these lessons to improve our educational system, our instructional approaches, and the lives of the students and families we serve.

As we begin the second semester, it is the expectation that every student, staff member, and parent reacquaint themselves with [this document](#). We need to make sure each of us fulfills our responsibilities, but more importantly, that we take care of one another as we move forward. I continue to marvel at our students' grit and determination, at our teachers and staff's ability to adapt and improvise, and our parents, guardians, and the community's unwavering support. We will continue to use this communication, [Doherty's website](#), as well as Loop messages through texts, emails, and the D11 app as our primary forms of communication. If you know anyone who is not receiving these, please have them contact amy.rottenborn@d11.org. We want to be sure the entire Spartan School Community is included in our communications.

Welcome back, Spartans! I look forward to seeing you in person when we begin our Hybrid schedule on January 19th.

In appreciation,

Kevin Gardner, M.A.
Principal
Doherty High School

Season B Sports Registration is here! Deadline is 3:30 PM Friday, January 15th!!
[Click here for more info.](#)
In order to participate in athletics, you must earn no more than 1 F in any of your first semester classes, and be enrolled in 5 classes 2nd semester. CCR does NOT count toward the 5 class requirement.



Character Communication Competitiveness
DOHERTY SPARTANS
Citizenship · Collaboration · Critical Thinking · Creativity

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Sparta Is YOUR Destination!

Why Doherty?

WE Before Me Atmosphere

A variety of academic, social, and athletic opportunities:

- College Board Aligned School (Pre-AP, AP, and Capstone)
- 22 Advanced Placement Offerings in 7 Departments
- 24 College Credit Bearing Courses
- Award-Winning Visual and Performing Arts
- Robust World Language Offerings
- Extensive Career and Technical Education Courses
- Navy JROTC
- Gifted and Talented Programming
- Personalized Academic Enrichment and Support for all Students
- 31 Clubs and Co-curricular Activities
- Exceptional School Spirit! SPARTA!
- 22 CHSAA Competitive Sports

8th Grade Open House
Save the date
Details to follow

Contact the Community Liaison for more information.
Elisa.Villarruel@d11.org or 719.328.6493
*Choice enrollment application deadline is 2/15/2021

January 21st Virtual
January 28th In-Person
D11.ORG/DOHERTY



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Counseling News:

Seniors--If you haven't ordered your cap and gown yet for graduation, now is the time!!! Please use the links below to place your order.

www.Jostens.com/Regalia

www.Jostens.com/Catalog

You'll see a variety of packages for all budgets and you can certainly customize your order if you'd like. Look over this information and decide what's best for you. You'll order directly with Jostens, not through our business office, and should direct any questions to them as well.

It's an exciting time in D11 as we look to the future and plan a journey for years to come! You may know D11 has embarked on new Academic and Facilities master plans. Our community has been engaging with us as we ask for their input and feedback on both of these plans. There are still opportunities to give your feedback this semester. Please visit www.d11.org/rebuilding to learn about each of these plans and how they will help shape the future of School District 11.

Best of Springs

Hey, Sparta!
Doherty High School has been notified we're in the top ten for Best High School in Colorado Springs! Please continue to show your support and [vote here](#) ! Voting ends at midnight on **2/14/2021**.
We know we're number 1!
Let's make sure everyone else knows, too!

Express Yourself - Student Writing/Drawing Contest

Hey, Spartans! Here's your chance for your voice to be heard! Enter by January 29th-Prizes for top three entries! [Click here](#) for more info-

Senior Proof Pictures Info for the Yearbook/Baby Ads

Our senior portrait section is nearly complete, and we need your help checking to make sure the names are spelled correctly, the correct photo was used, and the activities listed are accurate. [Click here](#) to preview the senior portraits. If you see any corrections, please email me by January 12 at Jenny.George@d11.org so that we can meet our deadline. We cannot add any photos that missed the deadline, but we can add photos to the Candid section and baby ads. You can purchase baby ads through February 11. You can also purchase a yearbook at [this link](#) if you haven't already. Thanks for supporting our 2021 Doherty Seniors and our fabulous yearbook staff!

WE NEED YOU TO FIGHT THE FLU

BOTH COVID-19 AND FLU CAN RESULT IN SEVERE ILLNESS AND COMPLICATIONS. VISIT ELPASOCOUNTYHEALTH.ORG TO LEARN MORE.

NECESITAMOS QUE COMBATA LA GRIPE

LA GRIPE ES CONTAGIOSA ANTES DE QUE LOS SINTOMAS COMIENCEN. VISITE CDC.GOV/FLUFIGHTERS PARA MÁS INFORMACIÓN.

Public Health



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Week of January 4-9

(This schedule subject to change without notice. Please check the website or pikespeakathletics.org for the most up to date version)

January 6-15 All D11 students on remote learning.

Business Office Hours M-F 7:30 AM-11:00 AM 12:00 PM- 3:30 PM

Monday, January 11

PTA/SAC Meeting Webex @ 6:00 PM

Tuesday, January 12

Wednesday, January 13

Thursday, January 14

Friday, January 15

Season B Sports Registration Deadline 3:30 PM

Saturday, January 16

