



In the past year Thomas Jefferson High School has made great strides to be recognized within the community and Denver Public Schools. We are

now a school that has been awarded green status on the School Performance Framework (SPF): attendance has gone up, test scores have increased, and we're putting ourselves back on the map as one of the top high schools in DPS. In addition to working on the status and academics of TJ, we are also improving the focus on pride and traditions as a community.

Staff and Parents have been working on establishing a greater sense of pride in brown and gold. By doing so we are trying to incorporate old and new traditions. A tradition we would like to start at the school is a "Night Out" for the students. This will be a FREE night for the kids to attend. Volleyball teams will be organized for a tournament, two students who are active DJs will be headlining for their fellow classmates, and parents and staff will be volunteering to support the students by serving food and beverages in a safe and fun environment. This night is to establish a sense of pride that we have in the school. We want the students to know what it's like to come from a place that is not only working hard in the classroom, but hopes to establish a sense of family and fun at TJ.

We would like for this to be a free night for the students to enjoy. We are asking for donations of food or beverages to help support this event. Whether it's food, beverages, gift certificates, or a donation of your choice, anything is appreciated.

We have started a sign up genius, www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E4EABAE2AA5FE3-night. The sign up includes a list of items that have been requested for the night. This will help us keep track of what is donated to the event and who is involved. We are also looking for parent volunteers to help work the event: we need bouncers, servers and volleyball refs and score keepers. The "Night Out" will take place April 17, 2015, from 6:30pm – 9:30pm. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact Sara Andolsek at sara_andolsek@dpsk12.org.

Thank you for your time and support of Thomas Jefferson High School! We look forward to the first of many Nights Out.