

# Events announced for 20th anniversary of Columbine High School tragedy

Series of events set 20 years after deadly mass shooting claimed the lives of 12 students and 1 teacher.

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Killed at Columbine High School on April 20, 1999: (from left) Cassie Bernall, Steven Curnow, Corey DePooter, Kelly Fleming, Matthew Kechter, Daniel Mauser, Daniel Rohrbough, Rachel Scott, Isaiah Shoels, John Tomlin, Lauren Townsend, Kyle Velasquez, teacher Dave Sanders  
Several community events in remembrance of the Columbine High School tragedy have been scheduled, including a day of service on April 20, the 20th anniversary of the mass shooting.

Jeffco Public Schools and Columbine High School, in partnership with the Columbine Memorial Foundation, Waterstone Community Church, Foothills Park & Recreation District – Clement Park, and The Rebels Project, announced a schedule of events to “honor and remember what occurred on April 20, 1999.”

Twelve students and a teacher were killed by two gunmen — students at the school — before the two teens committed suicide in the school library. An additional 24 people were wounded.

A committee of volunteers from the participating organizations and family members of those affected by the Columbine attack have planned the events, which are open to the public.

Planned events are:

- **6:30-8:30 p.m. April 18** — “Columbine 20 Years Later: A Faith-based Remembrance Service”: A nondenominational service will bring victims’ families, survivors and community members together for prayer and reflection. Waterstone Community Church, 5890 S. Alkire St., Littleton. [waterstonechurch.org](http://waterstonechurch.org)
- **7:30 p.m. April 19** — “Community Vigil at the Columbine Memorial in Clement Park” will honor and remember those impacted by the attack. Clement Park, 7306 W. Bowles Ave. [columbinememorial.org](http://columbinememorial.org)
- **8 a.m.-noon April 20** — “Columbine High School World-Wide Day of Service”: Current students and staff members will spend the morning serving in the community. Columbine articulation area schools also will participate. Participation is limited to current students and staff members.
- **3-5 p.m. April 20** — “Remembrance Ceremony at Clement Park”: a community remembrance presented by Columbine families, current students and alumni, and current and former staff.



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A flower rests on the Columbine Memorial on the Inner Ring of Remembrance next to Columbine shooting victim Daniel Rohrbough’s inscription this month.

Vehicle parking at Clement Park will be limited because of ongoing construction and athletic activities. Organizers encourage people attending park events to take public transportation or carpool. Security checkpoints will be set up.

On April 20, Columbine High School will not be open to the public. Several private events are planned for 1999-2002 Columbine families, staff members and alumni. Admittance will be restricted to those with invitations and security clearance.