

Jayhawk Journal



Week of February 12-16

Principal's Corner

One of my favorite things of the year is to visit our 6th graders at camp. It reminds me of the special memories that our students will take with them once they move on from Johnson. If you remember my opening letter to the community, I stated that we are committed to making memories that will last a lifetime. What memories will your family have of Johnson? I am looking forward to making many more this year with you!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

We would like to congratulate Ms. Tzelepis for being voted this award by her colleagues this week!

Ms. Tzelepis is a paraprofessional for our RISE Program here at Johnson. She has a calm and caring way about her. She makes all students feel safe and loved. Ms. T is always willing to help her team and always does what is best for her students and our community. She is dedicated, dependable, and is always willing to lend a helping hand in any situation. We are so lucky to have her!

PBIS Updates

This week we were able to share out our January data with our students at our SOAR Assembly. January was one of our best months in the last few years, so we had a lot to celebrate! We were able to discuss with students what we noticed about January and how they handled situations. We put together a plan to keep that momentum for February and March. This week we will have a raffle for stuffed animals and other prizes for Valentine's Week using SOAR Bucks. Thank you to our PTA!

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Our first group of 6th graders were able to enjoy camp this week!
- ⇒ We had a SOAR Assembly to share out some wonderful PBIS Data for the month of January with our students!
- ⇒ Our Guiding Coalition (School Improvement Team) was able to meet to share out some school data to get ready for our upcoming I-Ready test this month!

Planning for the future:

February 2024

- PTA Meeting 2/12
- PTA Dine-Out Night at Burger-Fi @ 7 mile and Haggerty 2/12
- Skate Night 2/13
- Bagel Day 2/14
- No School 2/19
- No School 2/27

Week At A Glance

Monday 2/12

Tuesday 2/13

Wednesday 2/14

Thursday 2/15

Friday 2/16



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My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

Working with such amazing people!

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel :

Florida

Foods:

Pasta

Color:

Blue

College:

Wayne State University

TV Show:

Big Bang Theory

Sports Team:

Detroit Lions

School Subject:

Math

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Ms. Tzelepis

My hobbies:

Reading and reading!

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PTA Updates

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We hope you can join us at Skate Night scheduled for Tuesday, February 13 from 6-8 p.m. at the Skatin Station in Canton. A guardian must remain at the rink. This is NOT a drop off event. [Please see flyer.](#)

Johnson PTA now has an email! If you have any ideas or questions, please feel free to contact us at johnsonupperpta@gmail.com.

Johnson Spirit Wear is available all year. Check out <https://www.johnsonupperspiritwear.com/> to order some Johnson clothing today.

Founder's Day is a reminder of the role that PTA plays in supporting parent involvement and all students. We are proud to present the Distinguished Staff Award to **Jennifer Rivera** and the Distinguished Parent Award to **Debi Foshag**. They will be honored during a celebration on February 21. Congratulations to you both!

We hope you can join us at our next PTA Dine-Out Night on Monday, February 12th. It will be at Burger-Fi located at 7 mile and Haggerty Road.

Don't forget to order your year-book through Treering! [Click here](#)

- We look forward to seeing you on February 12th at our next monthly meeting.

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Johnson Upper Elementary Family Skating Party



Join us on
Tuesday, February 13th
6:00-8:00 PM

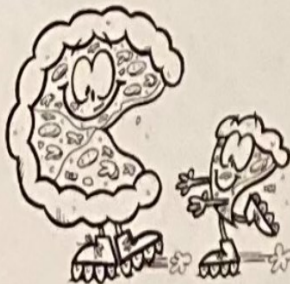
ADMISSION: \$9.00

YOU CAN BRING YOUR OWN SKATES OR BLADES.

All children between 3-17 must pay admission to enter

Skate/Blade Rental: Included

Don't Cook!!!
School Party Special
1 whole Pizza
Only \$15



• An adult must remain with
their child at
the event.



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**Kindergarten
registration
opens March 1**

**BEGIN YOUR JOURNEY AT
[WWW.LIVONIAPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG/
REGISTRATION](http://WWW.LIVONIAPUBLICSCHOOLS.ORG/REGISTRATION)**

**Kindergarten
Roundup**

**MAY 29-30, 2024
DETAILS WILL BE
PROVIDED BY SCHOOLS
TO REGISTERED
FAMILIES**

Nijl-Iro application window
currently closed, and will
re-open in the spring.



Young Fives

For children age 5 between
June 1 and December 1, 2024
Program information coming soon
livoniapublicschools.org/YoungFives



Don't know your assigned school?

Use the RESA Address Locator tool to see your assigned school!
<https://webapps.resa.net/sa/>

**Kindergarten Registration
Coming Soon!**

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**EARLY
CHILDHOOD
AND CHILDCARE
REGISTRATION
COMING
IN MARCH:**

Fee-based Preschool

Great Start Readiness Program

2024-2025 SACC Registration

Watch our website for
more information on how
to register!



Early Childhood and Childcare Registration Coming Soon!

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[E-Backpack Mail - Click & Scroll to Find Out What's Happening! \(livoniapublicschools.org\)](http://livoniapublicschools.org)









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Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU February 2024

MICHIGAN SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM NO COST FOR MEAL **ALL ENTREES INCLUDE CHOICE OF SIDE ITEMS AND MILK** **COST FOR MILK ONLY: 0.60** THIS MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE				02/01 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH (39g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	02/02 QUESADILLA (38g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	02/03
02/04	02/05 HOT DOG ON BUN (33g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) SOY-PBJ (28g Carbs) Cheese Stick(2g Carbs) Fritos (16g Carbs)	06 MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) SOY-PBJ (28g Carbs) Cheese Stick(2g Carbs) Fritos (16g Carbs)	07 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs SOY-PBJ (28g Carbs) Cheese Stick (2g Carbs) Fritos (16g Carbs)	08 PIZZA CRUNCHERS (41g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (8g Carbs) SOY-PBJ (28g Carbs) Cheese Stick(2gCarbs) Fritos (16g Carbs)	09 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) SOY-PBJ (28g Carbs) Cheese Stick(2gCarbs) Fritos (16g Carbs)	10
11	12 CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	13 HEART-SHAPED PRETZEL (30g Carbs) Cheese Cup(13gCarbs) Cheese Stick(2g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	14 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	15 CHICKEN DRUMSTICK (6g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	16 ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (16g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	17
18	19 NO SCHOOL MIDWINTER RECESS 	20 CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	21 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	22 CRUNCHY TACO STICK (32g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Green Beans (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	23 CHEESY BREADSTICKS (28g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Sweet Peas (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	24
25	26 PANCAKE & SAUSAGE ON A STICK (21g Carbs) Potato (30g Carbs) Juice (16g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	27 NO SCHOOL STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	28 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	29 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH (39g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs) 	03/01 QUESADILLA (38g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	03/02

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JOHNSON POSITIVE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS MATRIX

	ANTI-BULLYING BE AN UPSTANDER	BUS	ARRIVAL/ DEPARTURE	HALLWAYS	CLASSROOMS	ELECTRONICS SOCIAL MEDIA	BATHROOMS	CAFETERIA	RECESS/ PLAYGROUND
STAY SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk: • Report to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep body to self • Stay in seat until bus stops • Face front, sit up • Indoor voice • Follow adult directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Quiet • Stay in line • Follow Adult directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk (on right side of hall) • Keep body to self • Silent • Stay in your spot in line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Use objects appropriately • Use furniture safely • Ask permission to leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phones are turned off and in locker during school • School appropriate content • Treat others with respect online • Do not share personal information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Wash hands with soap • Keep water in sink • Report all problems to an adult immediately • Return to class immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Ask permission to leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep body to self • Use equipment safely • Follow all staff directions • Stay on playground • Report all problems immediately to the nearest adult
OWN OUR SCHOOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observe: • Look for others that need a friend • Make an effort to include 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Do not damage bus property • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be polite, greet others • Keep areas clean • Hold the door for others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Be respectful of displays or student work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep our school clean • Keep desk and locker clean/ organized • Greet visitors politely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Log off when done • Put devices away after use • Charge equipment after use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Respect school property • Flush (toilet paper only) • Turn off water when done • Report all problems to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean up after yourself • Put trash in trash can • Help clean table tops and under tables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Take care of equipment • Take care of school property
ACT RESPONSIBLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk: • Invite people who are being disrespected to join you and move away 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow bus rules • Keep track of your belongings (coat, backpack, lunchbox, etc.) • Share seats when necessary • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus • Keep body inside the bus • Sit respectfully and quietly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep track of your belongings (coat, backpack, lunchbox, etc.) • Stand/sit in line appropriately • Quiet voice • Follow directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report problems to an adult • Follow directions • Stay safe • Ask permission to leave • Take the most direct route/no wandering • Electronic devices remain in locker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come to school and be on time • Work hard • Be prepared with materials • Be an active listener • Show parents daily planner/notes • Volunteer to help out • Take care of school materials and supplies • No electronic devices, unless given permission • Keep backpacks and purses in lockers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use equipment with care • Put devices away after use • Visit only approved sites • Follow teacher directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use restroom closest to your class • Use sink and toilet appropriately • Wash hands • Make sure you are presentable before you leave • Return to class quickly • No electronic devices • Report all problems to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep track of your lunch/ lunch box • Keep yourself clean (face, clothes, hands) • Help others clean up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow recess rules • Keep track of borrowed equipment and return when you are done • Report problems immediately to the nearest adult • Electronics remain in locker
RESPECT EVERYONE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop: • Interrupt and model respect, rather than watch or join in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully • Respect personal space • Be polite and use manners • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Be aware of others and personal space • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Stay in your spot in line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiet voice • Respect personal space • Be friendly, give nice greetings • Use manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Raise hand to speak • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat others with respect online • Share/take turns • Sign out when done 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect privacy of others • Respect personal space • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Use patience and wait your turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Stay in your spot in line • Be polite and use manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a good sport • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully • Include others • Be an upstander • Report problems immediately to the nearest adult

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CAPTURE YOUR MEMORIES IN THIS YEAR'S

JOHNSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL YEARBOOK!

Customize Your 2 Free Pages

Add photos from your computer, Facebook, Instagram, Google Drive & more.

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Black History Month: One way we honor Black History Month is by saying an inspiring quote at the end of the morning announcements. It can be from a poet, activist, politician, or inspirational leader. This month we encourage students to find a quote and submit it to Mr. Traub. If chosen, they will have the opportunity to come read it on the morning announcements.

6th Grade Music Reminder: A gentle reminder for our Sixth Grade Students to please remember to bring your instrument to school with you on music day. We have a lot of students calling home daily to have their instruments brought to them.

Proper Attire for Recess Update: As you are aware the students go outside daily for recess and sometimes accidents happen and they need a new set of clothes. We would like to encourage students to bring a spare pair of clothes, including if possible, shoes and socks to keep in your locker. Around this time, the playground can be muddy in some places and spare clothes are occasionally needed.

DROPOFF AND PICKUP TIMES - Students cannot be dropped off for school in the morning prior to 8:15am. This is when the doors open for breakfast and when staff is available to supervise students. Prior to this time, all school doors are locked. Students are not to be left unattended, arrangements must be made. Also, dismissal is at 3:30pm daily and at 11:45am on half days. It is required that all students who are picked up in the car loop be picked up no later than 3:45pm. Staff is not available to supervise students beyond that time. The district offers a SACC program for those students that cannot be picked up by 3:45pm. Please contact SACC at (734)744-2966 to make arrangements.

COMMUNICATION - The beginning of the day and the end of the day are always busy times in the school office. At Johnson, we realize there are always unexpected circumstances that arise and we will do everything in our power to accommodate unplanned interruptions. We also ask parents to call the office after 9:00am and prior to 3:00pm if they are making alternate transportation arrangements for their students' trip home. Teachers frequently use the end of the day time for classroom reorganization, recess and/or specials and catching up to a class can be a challenge. We appreciate your help. The office phone number is (734)744-2740.

OFFICE HOURS - Mr. Traub, Principal and Mrs. Samouelian, Assistant Principal, are available via email, telephone and in person. If you have any questions or concerns, please set an appointment to discuss your situation privately with one of our Administrators. The Johnson school office is open M-F from 7:45am to 4:15pm. Teachers are generally unavailable during the day as they are teaching. If you have a concern, please reach out to teachers via email or contact the office directly at (734) 744-2740. Students will not be permitted back into the building for forgotten items once the office is closed for the day!

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EMERGENCY CARD INFORMATION - It is required that each family review the emergency contact information that is on file at Johnson. You can view this information in parent connect. **WHY?** in the event of an emergency, sick child, severe weather, we may need to reach you. The process to verify your emergency contact information is correct is simple. Simply log into Parent Connect and follow the prompts.

ATTENDANCE LINE - It is vital for academic success that your student be in attendance daily, ready to learn. If your student is absent on any given day, please contact the school office and let them know. This helps reduce phone calls home to verify a student's absence and it helps keep accurate attendance records. A reminder, if a student has a fever or has vomited, they are not to return to school for 24 hours once the fever is gone and/or vomiting has stopped. In this time of concern over congested or cold/coughing students still coming to school, we will leave this judgment to the parents. We simply ask you to make sure your student is healthy and not a distraction to the learning environment. Thank you for your cooperation. The attendance line is available at (734) 744-2740 ext 1.

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL - Oftentimes a student will come to the office with a medical need. The office staff is able to dispense medication as needed as long as the medication is: 1) Delivered to school by a parent in the original unopened package or prescription container, {NO MEDICATION can be brought to school by students} 2) As long as there is an individual, signed medical authorization on file for each medication {form available in the office and online} Medication includes but is not limited to cough drops, aspirin, Tylenol, Advil, prescription drugs, creams, lotions, vitamins, inhalers, EpiPens, etc.... We cannot administer any medication that is not listed on file in the office. Please reach out to Jill Jablonski in the office to set up a time to bring in medications and to review your student's medical needs when they are in the building.

BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK (BIAB) - We work in conjunction with BIAB to provide weekend meals to those families in need of food assistance. If this is something you would like to participate in, all you have to do is fill out the form that came home with students today or simply contact the office at (734) 744-2740 and we will sign you up. Delivery will begin the following week.

SOCIAL MEDIA - JOHNSON has a Facebook page filled with stories of our daily student activities/projects/concerts and general shenanigans. Be sure to like our page to see our students and staff in action! In addition, Johnson is fortunate to have an amazing PTA and they have a facebook as well! Information about how to join the PTA, events, volunteering, contributing and general information are included in the welcome packet.

"The time is always right to do what is right."

- Martin Luther King Jr.

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