

Jayhawk Journal



Week of October 16-20

Principal's Corner

Thank you to all of our parents who were able to join us for conferences this week. Our teachers and students have worked so hard, we were glad to share their progress. Teamwork is such an important part of who we are here at Johnson. When parents and teachers come together, we are doing what is best for students. We look forward to strengthening our teamwork with you all!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

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

Ms. Bennett is a 6th grade teacher here at Johnson and is one of our veteran leaders here in the building. Ms. Bennett plays a huge part in working with our staff. From being a PBIS Coach for her grade level, to working on our School Improvement Team, there is so much she is involved in. She teaches students how to be responsible, builds great relationships, and is always willing to help!

Color Run Update

We would like to take the time and thank everyone in this community for making the Color Run such a huge success in our first year of trying it. We were able to pass our goal of \$20,000 due to the generosity of the members or our amazing community. Thank you to our PTA for coming up with a plan and carrying it out to make it a fun event for all. Our teachers have done a great job working with students and helping them meet their goals. What a great way to end our week!

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Our community came together and hit our fundraising goals for the Color Run!
- ⇒ Our teachers worked so hard and enjoyed having so many guests in the building for conferences!
- ⇒ We had a great time at the Color Run and it was the perfect way to end such an amazing week!



Planning for the future:

October 2023

- Spirit Day - Michigan vs. MSU 10/20
- Picture Retakes 10/26
- PTA Skatin Station Skate Night 10/26
- Spirit Week 10/30 - 11/3
- Halloween Fun 10/31

Week At A Glance

Monday 10/16

Tuesday 10/17

Wednesday 10/18

Thursday 10/19

Friday 10/20 Spirit Day -

Michigan vs. MSU

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My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

Belonging to a very supportive staff and community. My students make me smile every day.

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel :

New York City

Foods:

Cheesecake

Color:

Turquoise

College:

Eastern Michigan University

TV Show:

Hallmark Movies

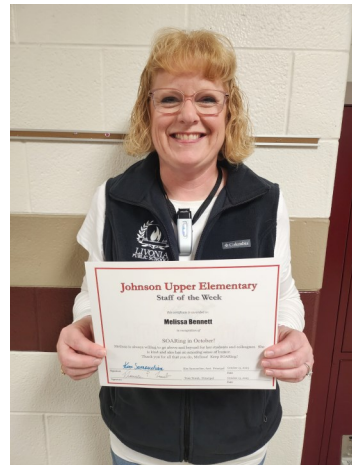
Sports Team:

University of Michigan Football

School Subject:

Reading and Social Studies

Staff Member of the Week



Ms. Bennett

My hobbies:

Hanging out with my family, including my cat Bella, and my friends.

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PTA Updates

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-Don't forget to join PTA! When you join the Johnson PTA, you are showing your support for our students and staff. It does NOT mean you need to volunteer. Please become a member today.

<https://johnsonelementary.memberhub.com/>

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

Instead of cooking on Thursday, November 9th, dine out at Buddy's on Plymouth Road in Livonia from 11 a.m.-9 p.m. and some of the proceeds will come back to Johnson PTA. Be sure to mention Johnson PTA. Dine- in or carry out will work.

COLOR RUN- We have just one week left to raise funds for our first Color Run! We thank you so much for your generosity and support! **There is still time to donate!** Please share your child's page with friends, family, or through social media! *We will continue to collect donations through Friday, October 20th. Thank you all for such a great start to the school year, we look forward to more ahead!*

COLOR RUN- This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need your support. Please register your student today! We have reached our goal of 20,00, but there is still time to earn more prizes! Thank you to everyone that has registered and donated!

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

-Save the date for our next PTA meeting on November 16th at 6 pm. We can't wait to share what we have accomplished so far this year!

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**We will be accepting donations
through Friday the 20th!**



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Johnson Upper Elementary School Student Rewards & Incentives

Johnson Upper Elementary School has fantastic STUDENT INCENTIVES for all students to earn!

To check out all the Rewards and Incentives, please visit our [School Web page](#), then click the orange *View Incentives* button.

We're offering Rewards and Incentives for individuals, classrooms, and an incentive for the entire school to enjoy as a team. Incentives were created to reward all students! Here are a few of our schoolwide incentives based on hitting overall raised amounts.

WHEN WE RAISE:

Register and share info- receive a waterproof Johnson sticker

Raise \$25- candy prize

Raise \$50 - silicone Johnson bracelet and multi-colored pen

Raise \$75- receive 1 packet of color to throw during the Color Run

Raise \$100- Raffle ticket to enter to win a prize + candy prize

Raise \$125 - Raffle ticket to enter to win a prize

Raise \$150- Raffle ticket to enter to win a prize

Raise \$200- Raffle ticket to enter to win a prize

~5 highest earners from each grade will get to go into the middle and throw color at staff members

~Highest overall earner for each grade (one in 5th, one in 6th) will be principal and assistant principal for the day

- Highest earning 5th grade classroom- choice of pizza, popcorn or ice cream party
- Highest earning 6th grade classroom- choice of pizza, popcorn or ice cream party
- Highest earning classroom overall- extra recess for 1 day
- Top 2 highest raising classroom teachers each get a \$75 Amazon gift card. Teacher must be a PTA member.
- Raise \$20,000- Mr. Traub will be pied with whip cream pies!
- Raise \$22,000- Mrs. Samouelian will be pied!

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Today begins a very important fun and healthy way to raise money for students of

Johnson Upper Elementary School

We want to promote a healthy and fun lifestyle to our students. Please help us reach our fundraising goal by supporting the Johnson Upper Elem Color Run. We have teamed up with *Get Movin'*® to make this event fun and profitable with online mobile friendly technology!

This is our big fundraiser of the year! The Johnson PTA is raising money to fund field trips, classroom activities, special events, the SOAR store, staff supplies and much more. Please help us reach our goal by sharing your student/s webpage with friends and family via social media or email. We truly appreciate your support!

Follow these 3 Simple Steps to get to goal fast!

1. First [Register](#) or re-[Login](#) to your parent dashboard and complete your child's student webpage with a PICTURE at getmovinfundhub.com.
School Identifier: 64eb691096aeb
2. Make an online donation using the red Donate button right away
3. Share with friends and family, they want to help!
 - Send 5-10 emails and/or text messages
 - Post Facebook or Twitter
 - Help your child reach their goal in 24/48 hours



Student Goals!

- Our goal is to have 100% of all students registered online! It's easy, FREE, and takes few quick minutes!
- Each student is encouraged to raise \$50.00
- Be an Overachiever Superstar by raising \$150

OUR TOTAL SCHOOL GOAL is \$20,000.00

Event Details:

- **Event Date: 10/13/2023**
- **Final Donation due date: 10/21/2023 11:59 PM**
 - Donations in the form of cash & checks (in-school donations), should be turned in to the school.
 - Please make checks payable to: Johnson Elementary PTA

****See other side for Our Awesome Student Incentives****



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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 October 2023

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				**UPPER EL 3 rd CHOICE OPTIONS** Turkey & Cheese and Ham & Cheese Wraps Offered Daily		
10/01	10/02 HOT DOG ON BUN (33g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	10/03 NO SCHOOL STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	04 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	05 MINI CORN DOGS (24g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	06 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	07 
08	09 NACHO SUPREME (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	10 CRUNCHY TACO STICK (32g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Green Beans (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	11 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	12 NO SCHOOL PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES	13 CHEESY BREADSTICKS (28g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Sweet Peas (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	14
15	16 SOUTHWEST PULL-APART (33g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	17 CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	18 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	19 ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (16g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	20 CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	21
22	23 PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BITES (37g Carbs) Potato (30g Carbs) Juice (16g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/ CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	24 TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	25 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	26 TACO IN A BAG (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	27 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH (39g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	28
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Upcoming Spirit Days - Spirit Days are one of our favorite things we do here at Johnson. We will have a Spirit Day on Friday, October 20th. Our theme will be Michigan vs. Michigan State. Hats will be allowed on this day if it goes with your outfit. We will also have a Spirit Week October 30th - November 3rd. More details will follow in the next newsletter. We WILL allow students to dress up for Halloween on October 31st. Costumes must be school appropriate.

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.

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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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.

"You become what you believe."

-Oprah Winfrey

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