

Jayhawk Journal



Week of November 13 - 17

Principal's Corner

This year has been off to an amazing start and I am proud to be here with this staff, students, and community members. This week we had our SOAR Assembly to look over data and discuss trends we are seeing. Take the time to talk with your student about our SOAR Expectations and what they are doing to continue such a great year. Together, we accomplish so much as a team!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

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

Mrs. Campau is a resource room teacher here at Johnson. Mrs. Campau can be seen working hard in the various duties that she does, whether it is in the bus loop, or in the cafeteria, she does it all! She is an advocate for her students and always finds a way to help them be successful. She is great with her colleagues and always does what is best for the team. We are so lucky to have her!

Professional Development Update

Our staff was hard at work during Election Day this week. Livonia Public Schools is committed to providing Professional Development to all employees that will help improve practices for all of our students. This week our staff was able to dive in with instructional strategies that will help improve the quality of student engagement. Our teachers were very happy with the presentation and many have been able to apply those skills to the classroom. We will continue to build on these skills this year.

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Teachers were able to collaborate with one another during our PD day!
- ⇒ Johnson student artwork was selected to be displayed at Central Office!
- ⇒ Students and classrooms were able to participate in our Monthly SOAR Assembly to look over data for October and discuss goals and a plan of action!



Planning for the future:

November 2023

- PTA Meeting 6 p.m. 11/16
- No School - Thanksgiving Recess 11/22-11/24

December 2023

- 1/2 Day a.m. 12/15

Week At A Glance

Monday 11/13

Tuesday 11/14

Wednesday 11/15

Thursday 11/16

Friday 11/17

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My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

Having amazing co-workers and cool kids!

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel :

Jamaica

Foods:

Pizza

Color:

Purple

College:

Michigan State University

TV Show:

None

Sports Team:

Livonia Wolves and Livonia

Hawks Softball

School Subject: Math

Staff Member of the Week



Mrs. Campau

My hobbies:

Hanging out with friends and watching my kids sports teams!

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PTA Updates

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Don't forget, YOU can still join PTA to show your support for the school!

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

Our final 2 membership winners are Crystal Fall and Vanessa Wilamowski. You have each earned a \$10 Target gift card just for joining the PTA.

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

The PTA is happy to provide the Holiday Shop during the week of Dec. 11-14 for students to shop at. Most items in the shop are priced between \$2-\$12. We are looking for volunteers to help the students with shopping/money. If you are able to help, [please sign up here](#). More information about the Holiday Shop will be sent home soon.

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

Reflections Program- It celebrates the many skills of our students and encourages them to pursue artistic expression in a number of different ways including Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Musical Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts. [Entry Form](#)

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

-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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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.

Answer fun Memory Questions to help remember the year.

The 2 Custom Pages are FREE and are printed ONLY in your book. Want more pages? Each additional 2 pages is just \$0.99.

To Purchase & Customize Your Yearbook

Must be a parent or student 13 years or older.

- 1 Go to: www.treering.com/validate
- 2 Enter your school's passcode:
1016976710002014

Regular price: **\$18.71**

Create Custom Pages by: **Mar 29**

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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 November 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	
10/29	10/30	10/31	11/01	11/02	11/03	04
	HOT DOG ON BUN (33g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	 MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	 DOMINO'S DAY CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	MINI CORN DOGS (24g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	
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12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	SOUTHWEST PULL-APART (33g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	 DOMINO'S DAY CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (16g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	PANCAKE/SAUSAGE ON A STICK (21g Carbs) Potato (30g Carbs) Juice (16g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/ CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	 <div>NO SCHOOL – THANKSGIVING RECESS</div>			
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THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

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AFTER THE BELL

LET'S HAVE FUN LEARNING THE FUNDAMENTALS OF

BASEBALL/SOFTBALL

WEDNESDAYS

11/8/2023 - 12/6/2023

3:45 - 4:45 **AT**

JOHNSON UPPER ELEMENTARY
IN THE GYM AFTER THE BELL

USING PLASTIC BATS & BALLS
MITTS WILL BE PROVIDED

REGISTER AT

DAWGPOUNDBASEBALLORG@GMAIL.COM

\$75.00

CASH APP TO \$DAWGPOUNDBASEBALL

ANY QUESTIONS CALL

AARON RICHARD

248-521-0597

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Annual Bowling For Backpacks – Livonia

Families, Groups, Individuals

Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile Road, Livonia, MI

Saturday, November 18, 2023, 2:30pm - 4:30pm (registration begins at 1:30pm)

\$22.50 (bowler) \$12.50 (Non-bowler)

***Bowler includes: 2 hours of bowling, shoes rental, 2 slices pizza and pop
access to raffle gifts, doorprize***

Non-bowler includes: 2 slices pizza and pop, access to raffle gifts, doorprize

Opportunities to sponsor lanes, donate raffle items

DOORPRIZE, RAFFLE. 50/50 DRAWING

Please Register online prior to the event!

Purchase Tickets at <https://guestli.st/757722>

Or Visit our website at www.biablivonia.org

For special accommodations or information, contact
Audra Rons at audrarons@gmail.com

Proceeds to Benefit Blessings in a Backpack-Livonia for the children of Livonia Public Schools

Blessings in a Backpack is a non-profit organization 501(c)(3). All donations are tax deductible.
This organization provides backpacks of food each weekend to at-risk, school-age children in the Livonia School System.

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BOWLING FOR BACKPACKS SPONSORSHIP/DONATION FORM to Benefit Blessings in a Backpack – Livonia

November 18, 2023 Merri-Bowl Lanes, 30950 Five Mile, Livonia, MI

Name of Company or Individual: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

E-Mail: _____ Contact: _____

Yes, I/My company would be interested in participating in the following manner:

Sponsorships ☐ Gold \$ 500 ☐ Silver \$ 250 ☐ Bronze \$ 100 ☐ Door Prize \$100+

☐ Check -- Payable to Blessings in a Backpack-Livonia.

☐ Visa ☐ MC ☐ Amer. Expr. ☐ Discover

Amount \$ _____ Date: _____ Name on Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ Exp. Date: _____

V/Code _____ Billing Zip Code: _____

Signature: _____

Auction / Raffle Donation

☐ Enclosed is the donated item(s)

☐ Please call to schedule pick-up arrangements

Donation: Please provide a detailed description of the donation

Value \$ _____

Please remit to: BIAB - Livonia, P.O. Box 51603, Livonia, MI 48151

Or Contact: Audra Rons at audrarons@gmail.com

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For more information, go to www.biablivonia.org or find us on Facebook at [BlessingsInABackpackLivonia](https://www.facebook.com/BlessingsInABackpackLivonia)

Tax ID #26-1964620

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Project Lead The Way: Project Lead The Way is our new class that is part of our specials rotation here for grades K-6 in Livonia Public Schools. Our teams have been working hard to provide your students with such a wonderful and unique opportunity. Please see the website attached in this link to look into the curriculum and resources for yourself! [PLTW Google Site](#)

Food Drop Off: Safety is our top priority of our students, and that is what guides our decisions. We encourage you to drop off food or lunches for a student if they are forgotten, things happen. Recently we have noticed an influx of family members ordering food from Door Dash or Grub Hub to be dropped off for students. We are asking that this does not continue, as this is not conducive for an Elementary school. On top of safety concerns, the food is coming later than expected, and it then throws off the schedule of the student as they are done with lunch or just went to recess. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter!

Proper Attire for Recess Update: All students will be able to go outside, but when there is snow they will need boots to go in the snow. Students who wear shoes will be allowed to play on the blacktop. We will resort to indoor recess when it is below 15 degrees Fahrenheit. We will be using Accuweather.com to make that determination. We will also be taking into the consideration of the real feel and wind chill.

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.

"Every accomplishment starts with the decision to try."

-Gail Devers

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