Jayhawk Journal



Week of December 18 - 22

Principal's Corner

Wow, what a great week we have ahead. I cannot tell you how fun it was to have students all cheering each other on as we were getting pies thrown at us today. This week we are looking forward to enjoying our Spirit Week. The themes and dates are attached on the flyer below. Our teachers will be working on Monday and I look forward to sharing with you all what we have accomplished!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

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

Mrs. Barnes is a 5th Grade Teacher here at Johnson. She is dedicated to giving her best to all of her students that she works with. She finds the best in any situation and is a great teammate to have. Mrs. Barnes has a great sense of humor and can find a way to make anyone have a laugh when needed. She is committed to always doing what is right for her students that she works with!

PBIS Update

We wrapped up our SOAR Celebration for the trimester, this week! Thank you to our PTA and Phoenix Theatres Laurel Park for helping out and donating snacks to make this a success! We are now rolling into the second trimester of the school year. Each trimester, we give our students a fresh start and a chance to earn the SOAR Celebration for the next trimester, regardless of anything from the first trimester. We will be going over rules and procedures when students return in January.

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Our PTA put together a wonderful Holiday Shop for our students!
- ⇒ Our SOAR Celebration was a great day, thank you to Phoenix Theatres Laurel Park for the popcorn donation!
- ⇒ Students got to throw pies at Mr. Traub and Mrs. Samouelian for reaching our fundraising goals from the Color Run!
- ⇒ Spirit Week is off to a great start!



Planning for the future:

December 2023

- No School 12/18
- Report Cards on Parent Connect 12/20
- Holiday Break
 12/25/23 1/7/24

January 2024

- PTA Meeting 1/11
- No School 1/15

Week At A Glance

Monday 12/18 No School

Tuesday 12/19

Wed 12/20

Thursday 12/21

Friday 12/22

My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

The family like atmosphere we have here!

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel:

Maui, Hawaii

Foods:

Pizza and Tacos

Color:

Purple

College:

Central Michigan Fire Up Chips!

TV Show:

Ted Lasso

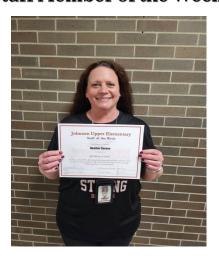
Sports Team:

Detroit Red Wings

School Subject:

Social Studies

Staff Member of the Week



Mrs. Barnes

My hobbies:

Reading, yoga, walking/hiking, spending time with my family.

PTA Updates

Week of December 18th

Thank you to the volunteers that helped with Holiday Shop! The students enjoyed shopping and we loved bringing the Holiday Shop to Johnson again this year!

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

We have compiled a list of Johnson staff member's favorite things! If you are interested in learning what your child's teacher and staff members enjoy (or maybe need an idea this holiday season), please check out the link. https://drive.google.com/file/d/1dEsre6aCBPrK-nJ-hAxpYKXOeCzlE9Aw/view?usp=sharing

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

Students enjoyed watching Mr. Traub and Mrs.
Samouelian getting pied today as our final incentive from the Color Run. Thank you again for your support!

Don't forget to order your yearbook through Treering! Click here We will not have a meeting in December. We look forward to seeing you on January 11th at our next monthly meeting.

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Johnson Spirit Week December 15-22



Friday December 15th - Ugly Holiday Sweater Day



Tuesday December 19th - Holiday Color Wars (5th Grade Red, 6th Grade Green)



Wednesday December 20th- Holiday Pajama Day



Thursday December 21st - Ribbons and Bows



Friday December 22nd - Festive Friday



Johnson Spirit Week December 15-22

Friday December 15 - Ugly Holiday Sweater Day

Tuesday December 19 - Holiday Color Wars (5th Grade Wears Red, 6th Grade Wears Green)

Wednesday December 20 - Wear your favorite Holiday Jammies!

Thursday December 21 - Ribbons and Bows (Bowties, Ribbons, and Bows, dress like a present!)

Friday December 22 - Festive Friday (Dress for a funny day in however you and your family celebrate! Be an elf, wear a santa hat, have fun with it!)

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CAPA ARTS CAMP 2024

SAT, JAN 13, 2024 9AM-4PM REGISTRATION BEGINS AT 8:30AM

\$25

Open to 3rd-8th grade LPS students who are interested in Acting, Dancing, or Singing!

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

T-shirt, snacks, pizza, and water supplied with registration cost

A special showcase performance for friends and family at 3pm

All campers must register and pay online by Dec. 23 https://forms.gle/79gLPfMqkYuJ9Nwx6

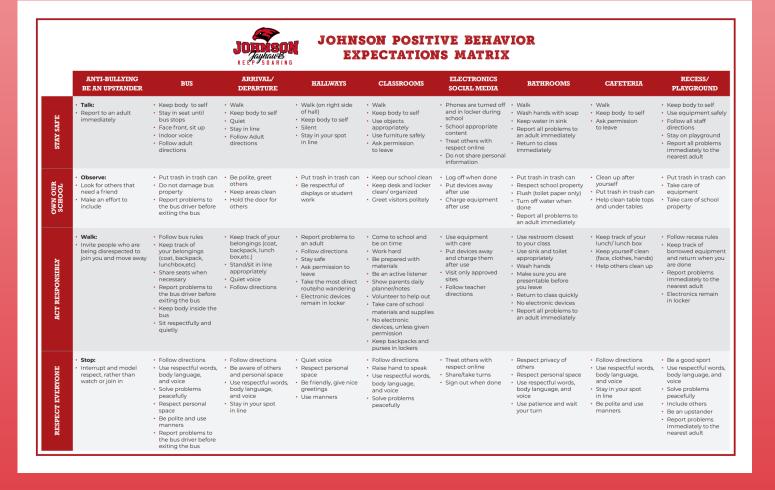


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E-Backpack Mail - Click & Scroll to Find Out What's Happening! (livoniapublicschools.org)



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Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU December 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 OPTIONS Turkey & Cheese and Ham & Cheese Wraps Offered Daily	12/01 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	12/02
12/03	TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Green Beans (3g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Broccoll (4g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	O6 DOMINO'S DAY CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	CHICKEN PARMESAN SANDWICH (47g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	PIZZA CRUNCHERS (41g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (8g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	HAPPY HANUKKAH 12/2 - 12/15
10	NACHO SUPREME (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	TURKEY & GRAVY (2g Carbs) Mashed Potatoes (21g Carbs) Corn (17g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	DOMINO'S DAY CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	CRUNCHY TACO STICK (32g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Green Beans (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	15 HALF-DAY TEACHER WORKDAY NO LUNCH SERVED	16
17	18 NO SCHOOL STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	SNOWMAN PRETZEL (30g Carbs) Cheese Cup (13g Carbs) Cheese Stick (2g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	CHEF'S CHOICE 1 ST DAY OF WINTER	CHEF'S CHOICE	23
24 •**** •*****	MERRY CHRISTMAS	26 HAPPY KWANZAA 12/26/2023-1/1/2024	27	28	29	30
31		01/02	01/03	01/04		01/06
	NO SCHOOL – WINTER RECESS DECEMBER 25, 2023 – JANUARY 5, 2024					
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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.

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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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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.

"Anything is possible. Anything can be."

- Shel Silverstein