

# Jayhawk Journal



**Week of September 18-22**

## Principal's Corner

There is something about fall that makes it the best time of the year in my eyes. From a local high school football game, to a fun event in our community, these are the building blocks that bring our community together. We were lucky to have an assembly last Friday where students were able to have some fun and learn how to be a leader. We are looking forward to a wonderful rest of the year!

*-Mr. Traub*

## Staff Member of the Week:

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

Ms. Cleveland is a 5th grade teacher here at Johnson. She is an amazing teacher who exudes positivity and personal best every day. Ms. Cleveland not only works hard for her students each and every day, but she is a supportive and kind colleague that helps others when they are in need. She is a fun person to have on our campus and we are so lucky to have her!

## PBIS Updates

This week we focused on the hallways and how we can show our SOARing behavior to make them perfect for the school year. You can see the expectations in the matrix attached. A big thank you to the Detroit Lions for coming out and talking to students about how to be a leader. This assembly fits well with what we teach our students as SOARing students, and how we go about using our PBIS Program at Johnson. This week our school PBIS team will meet to discuss our plan for the school year.

## Points of Pride

- ⇒ A student from every single class was nominated for Student of the Week!
- ⇒ Teachers did a wonderful job preparing for Virtual Curriculum Night!
- ⇒ Our PTA meeting was held in person and we had the largest attendance we have had in the last few years!
- ⇒ The Detroit Lions put on an awesome assembly on how to be a leader!



## Planning for the future:

### September 2023

- Famous Dave's Dine-In or Take-Out PTA Fundraiser 9/20
- Picture Day 9/26

### October 2023

- PTA Meeting 10/10
- Color Run 10/13

## Week At A Glance

Monday 9/18

Tuesday 9/19

Wednesday 9/20

Thursday 9/21

Friday 9/22

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**My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...**

The wonderful staff and students.

**Some of My Favorite Things:**

**Place To Travel :** Anywhere I haven't been before!

**Foods:**

Chocolate Anything!

**Color:**

Green and Pink

**College:**

MSU (Go Green!)

**Movie:**

Barbie

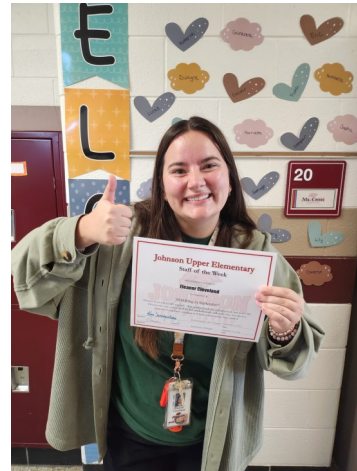
**Sports Team:**

Green Bay Packers

**School Subject:**

Social Studies

**Staff Member of the Week**



**Ms. Cleveland**

**My hobbies:**

I love to spend my time reading, with friends and family, and shopping at Target.

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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/>

We will be raffling off some Target gift cards in the next few weeks to show our appreciation for joining!

Johnson PTA is hosting a digital doughnut drive to kickoff the school year! Order your Krispy Kreme doughnuts online between 8/24-9/25, grab and go from one of many locations, and you'll be giving back to Johnson!

Participating is easy, all they have to do is:

1 Visit: <https://www.groupraise.com/offer-campaigns/12804> (<https://www.groupraise.com/offer-campaigns/12804>)

2 Choose the quantity & order delicious dozens

3 Pick up their Dozens at 370+ participating Krispy Kreme locations across the U.S.

**You can also share the link above with your friends and family on social media, or send an email blast to your community to let them know they can support Johnson Upper Elementary PTA just by eating doughnuts!**

Save the date- Wednesday, September 20- Famous Dave's is donating 20% of orders to Johnson PTA. Take a night off from cooking and go to Famous Dave's! Dine-in, takeout, and pick up orders made in store/by phone mentioning Johnson PTA will earn us the proceeds.

**-Save the date for our next PTA meeting on October 10 at 6 pm. We can't wait to share what we have planned for this fall!**

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# **Johnson Color Run Friday October 13th**



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**Join the  
Livonia Orioles vs.  
Northville Colts Football & Cheer  
for their Inclusion Game on  
Sunday, September 17, 2023.  
Bentley Field  
31971 Five Mile Rd.  
Livonia, MI 48154  
Games start at 9:00 am**

**We will have 50/50 raffles, Raffle Baskets, Concessions, and more.**

**The proceeds from 50/50 raffles, & raffle baskets will be going to The Miracle League of Plymouth**



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



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## PEOPLE-CENTERED DANCE COMPANY ~~~~ SEASON 2 ~~~~

**CLASSES BEGIN OCT 2, 2023!**  
**Mondays 5:30pm - 6:30pm**

Classes held at:  
Michigan Dance Alliance  
8000 Sheldon Center Rd  
Canton, MI 48187



@peoplecentereddancecompany

PEOPLE-  
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DANCE  
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EST. 2022



**PCDC is a competitive dance team for dancers with special abilities looking to learn and grow through the art of dance!**

- Classes are held weekly every Monday
- Classes are \$75 per month
- Monthly class fee will not include competition fees or costume fees

**For more information or to register your dancer for Season 2,  
please visit our website!**



[www.PeopleCenteredDance.com](http://www.PeopleCenteredDance.com) | [info@peoplecentereddance.com](mailto:info@peoplecentereddance.com)

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## Lisa (Brazil) Ackley



### I could use a hand...

- Hanging and taking down artwork
- Photographing and uploading artwork
- Prepping materials
- Doing other random things

Please contact me at:

[Lbrazila@livoniapublicschools.org](mailto:Lbrazila@livoniapublicschools.org)

if you are interested/available

### We love:

Craft leftovers, small hand tools, sewing supplies, scrapbook supplies, yarn and crochet supplies, stamps and stamp pads, beads, hot glue sticks, etc

## Good Day, Families!

### About Me

- I was born in TX and have lived in 7 different states
- I have been teaching art for 25 years
- This is my 5th year with LPS and my 3rd at Johnson

**I believe** that learning how to “think like an artist” is a universal life skill. People who expect to fail can be reluctant to TRY; I want students to experience curiosity with techniques and materials in the art room.

### About ARTSONIA

- **Artsonia.com** is a free, online portfolio for students.
- Family and friends are alerted when new artwork is uploaded throughout the year.
- You can upload artwork from home to add to your artist’s portfolio.
- **THIS IS OUR FUNDRAISER.** You can have ANY of your student’s artworks, from ANY year, printed on ANYthing from the gift shop at ANY time. A percentage of the purchase comes back to the art program.
- Please allow your artist to participate in our Artsonia program when you receive the email request.



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## Lifetouch



### Fall Picture Day is Coming!

**School Name:** Johnson Upper Elementary School

**Picture Day Date:** Tuesday, September 26

**Picture Day ID:** EVT373NBF

#### ACTION REQUIRED:

CONFIRM PICTURE DAY DETAILS

Please note that your school's required Subject Data File for Picture Day is handled by your District Office. No action needed here.

#### PROMOTE PICTURE DAY!



Your personalized Picture Day kit, containing materials to help inform families of your upcoming Picture Day, is on it's way!



Increase Picture Day awareness at your school with these additional [digital resources](#).

Questions? Contact your Lifetouch Representative.

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










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## Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU August-September 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 <sup>rd</sup> CHOICE OPTIONS** Turkey & Cheese and Ham & Cheese Wraps Offered Daily		
08/27 	28 WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL!!  HALF DAY  NO LUNCH SERVED	29 TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs)  TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	30 DOMINO'S DAY   CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	31 TACO IN A BAG (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs)  TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	09/01   NO SCHOOL LABOR DAY WEEKEND	02
03	04  HAPPY LABOR DAY ***	05 MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs)  YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	06 DOMINO'S DAY   CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	07 MINI CORN DOGS (24g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs)  YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	08 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs)  YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	09
10	11 NACHO SUPREME (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs)  GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	12 CRUNCHY TACO STICK (32g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Green Peas (11g Carbs)  GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	13 DOMINO'S DAY   CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	14 MEATBALL SUB (26g Carbs) Fruit/Vegetable (Carbs Vary)  GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	15 CHEESY BREADSTICKS (28g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Sweet Peas (11g Carbs)  GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	16
17	18 SOUTHWEST PULL-APART (33g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) Fruit  MUNCHABLE	19 CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs)  MUNCHABLE	20 DOMINO'S DAY   CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	21 ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (16g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs)  MUNCHABLE	22 CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit  YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	24 Autumn Begins 
25 Rosh Hashanah	26 PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BITES (37g Carbs) Potato (30g Carbs) Juice (16g Carbs)  TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/ CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	27 TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs)  TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	28 DOMINO'S DAY   CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	29 TACO IN A BAG (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs)  TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	30 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH (39g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	

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## Become a member of the Johnson PTA!

Being a PTA member is a wonderful way to show your support of the Johnson school community. Our PTA sponsors many fun activities for our students throughout the year, and they need our help and support to do this.

As a member you are not obligated to volunteer or attend meetings; however, we welcome all that are interested in helping at any level!

[Click here to become a member online.](#)

**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!

**SCHOOL BREAKFAST/LUNCH** - Breakfast and Hot Lunch will be provided for free for all students this year. More information will be sent with flyers in our upcoming newsletters.

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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.

**"No one is you, and that is your superpower!"**

**-Anonymous**

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