



4/13/15

Jefferson Times

Weekly Updates
Monday 4/13:
 Minimum Day

Tuesday 4/14:
 Progress Report Cards mailed home.
 Board Meeting @ 7:00

Wednesday 4/15:

Thursday 4/16:
 PFA Meeting @ 8:30—
 Monticello Cafeteria

Friday 4/17:
 Bow Tie/ Tutu Dance with Hawkins students @

Important Information

*6th grade news, see attached

*8th grade: 2 pictures for Ice Cream Social slideshow

*No charging lunch for the rest of the year.

*Did you know that you can subscribe to our daily bulletin??? Go to our website and click on the daily bulletin link At the bottom left side there is an orange icon. Click on the icon and follow the instruction.

*Intradistrict open enrollment 5/1—5/15 see attached information.

Critical Thinking Word of the Week

CORRELATE

Upcoming Dates

April :

4/13: Minimum Day

4/14: Progress Reports mailed home

4/16: PFA @ Monticello

4/17: Bow Tie/ Tutu dance
5:30 - 7:30 (Hawkins)

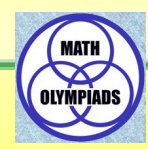
4/22: Administrative Day
Celebrate Earth Day

5/1: Spirit day- Superhero

MJPFA NEWS

Carnival is almost here see attached for information.

Next meeting April 16th @ 8:30 - Monti-



AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS

Monday - Thursday Flapper, Musical 2:45 - 4:00, Room 4
 Tuesday 5/6th math Olympiad - 2:45 - 4:00
 Tuesday & Thursday Choir practice 7:05 - 7:35, anyone is welcome to join. Room 4
 Friday after school; Magic Card Club 2:35 - 4:00, Library, all are welcome to join.

JEFFERSON SPORTS

Boys Basketball
 4/13: Game vs Poet @ New J - 3:45
 4/14: TBA
 4/15: TBA
 4/16: TBA
 4/17: TBA



A Note from the Principal

Dear Jefferson Families—

Welcome Back! I hope you had a restful and relaxing break!

Starting this week, our 5th and 6th grade students will be taking part in state testing. Please remember to send in earphones or ear buds for your student.

Progress reports will be mailed home this Tuesday, April 15th. Please take some time to review your child's grades. Contact your child's teacher if you have any concerns.

This Friday is our Bow Tie/TuTu dance with Hawkins School. The dance is from 5:30-7:30 in the Hawkins Gym.

The next six weeks will be extremely busy. Please keep reading the Jefferson Times for important information and check your emails for announcements and updates from school.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to call the office at 209-835-3053.

Thanks,
Jennifer Tilton



5th grade updates :

Haggin Museum was a blast!

DARE book drive. Bring books to your teacher by 4/24.

SBAC testing will start on April 14th when we return from Spring Break. **Please make sure your child has headphones for the testing.**

Earth Day Celebration at Monticello see flyer

6th grade updates :

SBAC testing will start on April 14th when we return from Spring Break. **Please make sure your child has headphones for the testing.**

Visit our new site:
6thgradejeffeson.weebly.com

Students have been learning about Earth's interior. They wrote some very creative stories about their Journey Through Earth. Parents can read the stories on their child's google doc account.

Collecting items for classroom baskets for carnival auction.

7th grade updates:

Please check with Ms. Clayton regarding the start of your CJSF application.

Core class is using google classroom for their weekly recurring assignments. Please ask your child to share theirs with you.

8th grade updates:

Graduation is coming upon us. See the attached flyer.

Please check with Ms. Clayton regarding CJSF (graduating with honors).

We would like to have 2 pictures each of your child through out their time at Jefferson. Please send them to thehandler4@toadsonly.com. We would like to have these pictures on or before April 30th.

Thank you,
The Ice Cream Social Committee

Intradistrict Open Enrollment for the 2015-16 School Year

Some of you may wish your child/children to attend one of our schools rather than their assigned or current school. In an effort to possibly accommodate these wishes, the district has in place board policy 5116.1, which allows you to complete an intradistrict attendance request form. These forms are available at all four school sites, the district office and www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com. Please return your completed form to any school site or the district office **between May 1 and May 15.**

Intradistrict requests will be considered only if there is space available at a particular site and grade level. Throughout the spring, enrollment and grade level numbers at each site will be closely monitoring. Families will be notified of the decision the first week of June.

If you are interested, a copy of the board policy 5116.1 is available at the district office, 1219 Whispering Wind Drive, or on the district website. If you have questions regarding the process, please call the district office at 836-3388.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT
 1219 Whispering Wind Drive
 Tracy, CA 95377
 Phone (209) 836-3388

INTRADISTRICT ATTENDANCE REQUEST For School Year _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____ Relationship to student _____

Complete residence address _____ Home telephone _____ Work telephone _____

Student Name	Birthday	Grade	Requested School	Present School	Zoned School

One Form Per Student

I request permission for my child to attend the requested school in the Jefferson School District for the following reason(s) (continue on back if needed):

Is your child receiving Special Services? _____ SDC RSP Speech (circle)

Other children enrolled in Jefferson School District

Name _____	Grade _____	School _____
Name _____	Grade _____	School _____
Name _____	Grade _____	School _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

IF THIS APPLICATION IS APPROVED, I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

1. Transportation will be provided for students attending on an intradistrict attendance agreement when the district administration initiates the transfer. **However, when the parent initiates the request, he/she will be expected to provide his/her own transportation.**
2. This agreement is subject to revocation for violations of State school laws, as well as District rules and regulations.
3. This is a temporary attendance agreement that is contingent upon, but not limited to, the attendance, behavior, and academic achievement of the student involved, space availability, and continuance in specialized program.
4. Once this agreement is approved, the student is expected to remain in the school of choice for a minimum of one school year and annual reapplication is not necessary.
5. An Intradistrict Attendance Agreement for one member of a family does not dictate automatic attendance agreement for other family members.

NOTE: If your request is not approved, you may appeal the decision to the Superintendent by contacting the Jefferson School District office at 836-3388.

When completed, this form should be returned to any school site office or Jefferson School District Office, 1219 Whispering Wind Drive, Tracy, CA, 95377.

DISTRICT ACTION:	APPROVED _____	DENIED _____
Date: _____	Superintendent's Signature: _____	

Dear Parents/Guardians of 8th grade students:

As part of the eighth grade year, your student will have the opportunity to participate in many celebratory activities. At Back to School night in August, there was an 8th grade graduation meeting. At this meeting parents signed up for various Graduation Committees and it was decided that all parents would make an \$80.00 donation to cover the expenses of graduation activities instead of fundraising. This donation will cover Great America, Ice Cream Social, Graduation Ceremony, Graduation Dance, and rental of the graduation gown. Please send your donation to the Jefferson School office by **December 5, 2014**

Because of the construction at Jefferson School we are unable to hold graduation at the school site. This year our Graduation ceremony and dance will be held at Monticello School.

Below you will find a schedule of events in the order that they occur. The name of the committee chairperson and their phone number is included. If you would still like to volunteer please contact that chairperson.

OVERALL COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON – Bertha Ramon – 835-3053

HONORS NIGHT
Thursday, May 21st
6:30 – 8:00 PM
Hawkins Gym

Honors Night is an evening of awards. Each 8th Grade teacher presents traditional academic and extracurricular awards. All students and parents are encouraged to attend this event. Invitations will be sent to the students receiving awards. “BEST DRESS ATTIRE” is required.

ICE CREAM SOCIAL – Marilee Pike – 209-836-5042
Friday, May 15th
1:30 – 3:00 PM
Hawkins Gym

The Ice Cream Social is a very special Jefferson Tradition. The 7th and 8th grade students will sit together and socialize about their experiences at Jefferson School. “NICE SCHOOL CLOTHES” are required.

GREAT AMERICA – Lisa Aguilera – 209-814-8256
Tuesday, May 26th
Santa Clara

Permission Slips will be sent home with additional information.

School dress code applies

NO Tank tops
NO Short Shorts
NO Bathing Suits

GRADUATION – Lisa Aguilera 209-814-8256

Thursday, May 28th

7:30 – 9:00 PM

Monticello Outside Stage

The BIG Event!!! Seating is on a first come, first served basis. Tickets are not required.

Gowns will be worn.

“BEST DRESS ATTIRE” is required.

DANCE – Stephanie Dunn 209-207-8580 and Maricela Saldivar -209-640-8383

Thursday, May 28th

9:00 PM – MIDNIGHT

Monticello Gym

The Graduation Dance follows the Graduation Ceremony. There will be time between the Ceremony and the Dance to take pictures and visit. Only the Graduates, chaperones and teachers are invited to the dance!

There will be no In and Out privileges.

“BEST DRESS ATTIRE” is required.

“BEST DRESS ATTIRE” RECOMMENDATIONS:

GIRLS

- Dressy clothes
- No shorts, miniskirts, strapless, backless or halter top dresses. Undergarments **MUST** be worn and not visible
- Dress shoes – low to medium heel, no flip flops

If you have any questions regarding your graduation outfit, please see Mrs. Beith in the office.

BOYS

- Dressy sport clothes or suits/ sports jacket
- Long pants, preferably slacks.
- Shirts with collar – ties optional
- No jeans or shorts
- No sandals or flip flops

No tuxedos

BOTH

NO LIMOS

I would like to take this time to let you in on another Jefferson Tradition. Every year the 8th grade parents and students make a “collage”. You will be given a shaped poster board at Open House that you will plaster with pictures of your graduate!! These collages are great fun! A more detailed letter will accompany the poster board! What you can do now is start looking through pictures!!! The point of the collage is to show how your child has grown over the years!! Have fun.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office, 209-835-3053.

Thanks,
Jennifer Tilton
Principal



Sixth grade students have created a website especially for sixth

graders at Jefferson School!

Students and parents can visit the website for information on daily homework, 6th grade events, and some funny pictures and videos. The website is being maintained by a wonderful group of sixth grade students. Be sure to check it out!

6thgradejefferson.weebly.com

Great Valley Writing Camp!

K- 8 Writing & Technology Workshops in Jefferson School District

June 15-26, 2015

These K-8 writing programs are educational and fun!

Taught by Jefferson School District Teachers!

Technology used daily.

Visit our website to see what we do!

Questions? Cal

I (209) 838-2115





Jefferson School's Earth Day Celebration



Jefferson/Monticello Science
Departments
invite all district families to our second
annual Earth Day Celebration
on Wednesday April 22, 2015

6:00-7:00pm in the Monticello
Multipurpose Room



Girls' & Boys' Water polo



Boys' Soccer



Football

Tracy High Freshman Sports Orientation Night

www.tracyhighsports.com

There will be an informational meeting for incoming Tracy High School Freshmen who are interested in trying out for Sports for the 2015-16 season. Come and join us!
Don't miss out!

WHEN: Monday, April 20, 2015

WHERE: Tracy High School Cafeteria

TIME: 6:30 pm



Girls' Golf



Cross Country



Volleyball



Girls' Tennis

Computer Coding Camp 6-8

Come be part of this unique computer coding opportunity in San Joaquin County for kids in the 6th-8th grade!

This Coding Camp will expose students in grades 6-8 to the basic computer programming/coding skills.

Students will have a chance to apply real-world computer application skills to build a mock-company complete with its own website. They will also have the opportunity to work with NetLogo which is a multi-agent programmable modeling environment to create their own simulations.

[http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?
llr=vlphqbdab&oeidk=a07eaqx1jkd89225f36](http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=vlphqbdab&oeidk=a07eaqx1jkd89225f36)

Biotech Bootcamp 6-8

Come be part of this unique opportunity in San Joaquin County to build your skills! Students will be exposed to hands-on Biotechnology activities that will give them experience to build upon including microbiology, micropipetting, electrophoresis, bioengineering, gene expression, protein quantitation, and protein purification! They will also learn how to keep a laboratory research notebook.

[http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?
llr=vlphqbdab&oeidk=a07ear4u1y5524f64d2](http://events.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=vlphqbdab&oeidk=a07ear4u1y5524f64d2)

MJPFA News:

***Coming Soon!**

Carnival tokens will be on sale after Spring Break! Please look out for flyers to be sent home with your child. With more new inflatables, games, food and entertainment- this year's Carnival is sure to be a great time for all! *



Carnival Volunteers Needed! If you are interested in organizing an event or just volunteering at a game booth for an hour, we need your help! Please contact Alexis Imperial Bobis at alexis.imperial@gmail.com and let us know how you can help.

Want to see your family represented at this year's Carnival? Purchase your own FAMILY SPONSORSHIP BANNER for only \$50 and spotlight your support for the MJPFA and our schools! Contact Karen Johnson for details - kejohns@sbcglobal.net

Register for eScrip at Safeway and a portion of your purchases will go to our schools! Please select *Monticello-Jefferson Parent's Club* at signup (See attached flyer)



Keep on clipping!!! Just a reminder to keep clipping those box tops! Each top equals 10 cents for our school!



When you shop at AmazonSmile, Amazon donates 0.5% of the purchase price to Monticello & Jefferson School PFA.

Bookmark the link



<http://smile.amazon.com/ch/37-1507478> and





MONTICELLO JEFFERSON ANNUAL SCHOOL CARNIVAL
MAY 8, 2015 3:00-7:30 pm
at MONTICELLO ELEMENTARY SCHOOL





Shop at Safeway to earn money for our group

Renew or sign up with your Safeway Club Card today!

Renew by Nov. 1

If you participated last year, renew so our group continues to earn contributions.

- Go to eScrip.com
- Click on "YES RENEW!"
- Enter either your phone number, email, or Club Card number

OR

Sign up

Your participation can mean hundreds of dollars for our group.

- Go to eScrip.com
- Click on "1-Sign Up"
- Enter your Club Card number

What's new!

Safeway wants to do what we can to help every child stay fit and have access to nutrition programs. So we are asking schools and groups that receive Safeway donations to allocate 20% toward fitness and nutrition activities.

March 6, 2015

Dear Jefferson Families,

The California Assessment of Student Performance and Progress, or CAASPP, which has replaced the Standardized Testing and Reporting, or STAR Program, is the new state academic testing program. CAASPP is a system intended to provide information that can be used to monitor student progress. CAASPP includes computer adaptive tests in English–language arts and mathematics as well as paper-based tests for science.

Last year, most students participated in a computer-based field test. This practice run of the test, though no scores were provided, allowed students to experience computer-based testing and new types of questions. In addition, the field test also helped evaluate how well districts technology systems could meet the demands of computer-based tests, and determine what resources teachers and schools would need to better prepare students for future assessments.

Lessons learned from last year’s field test will help ensure a successful, full launch of the CAASPP system this school year. In moving forward, students will take the test in **grades 3 – 8** from **March 16, 2015 to April 24, 2015**. To learn about the types of questions on the computer-based test, you and your child can view the practice test online at the California Department of Education (CDE) Smarter Balanced Practice Test Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/sa/practicetest.asp>.

Following the spring 2015 testing, students will receive individual score reports. Student score reports will be sent home to parents and will include an overall score, a description of the student’s achievement level for English–language arts and mathematics, and other information. It is important to note that these scores cannot be compared to scores that your child previously received on the STAR Program tests because this test is based on the new Common Core State Standards, involves different types of test questions, and will not be reported using the STAR Program reporting categories.

New this year, students with disabilities who previously took the California Alternate Performance Assessment (CAPA) will participate instead in a field test of the new Alternate Assessment in ELA and mathematics. Like the CAASPP ELA and mathematics assessments, the Alternate Assessment will be aligned to the Common Core Standards. Students will not receive scores for the Alternate Assessment field test in 2015.

If you would like more information, please visit the Parent/Student tab of the CDE CAASPP Web page at <http://www.cde.ca.gov/ta/tg/ca/>. If you have any questions regarding your child’s participation, please contact Jennifer Tilton at jtilton@sjcoe.net or (209) 835-3053.

Sincerely,



Jennifer Tilton
Principal



Jefferson 5th grade DARE students are holding a book drive to help give children the gift of reading. Our goal is to collect 3,000 books

which are appropriate for K-5. Books must be in excellent condition. Books can either be given to their teacher or the office. Teachers should keep track of how many books they collect. The drive ends in 9 weeks. Teachers who collect in their classrooms can send me an email when they have some books that they want me to come and get from their rooms. We are also looking for money donations for shipping the books to their destinations.

