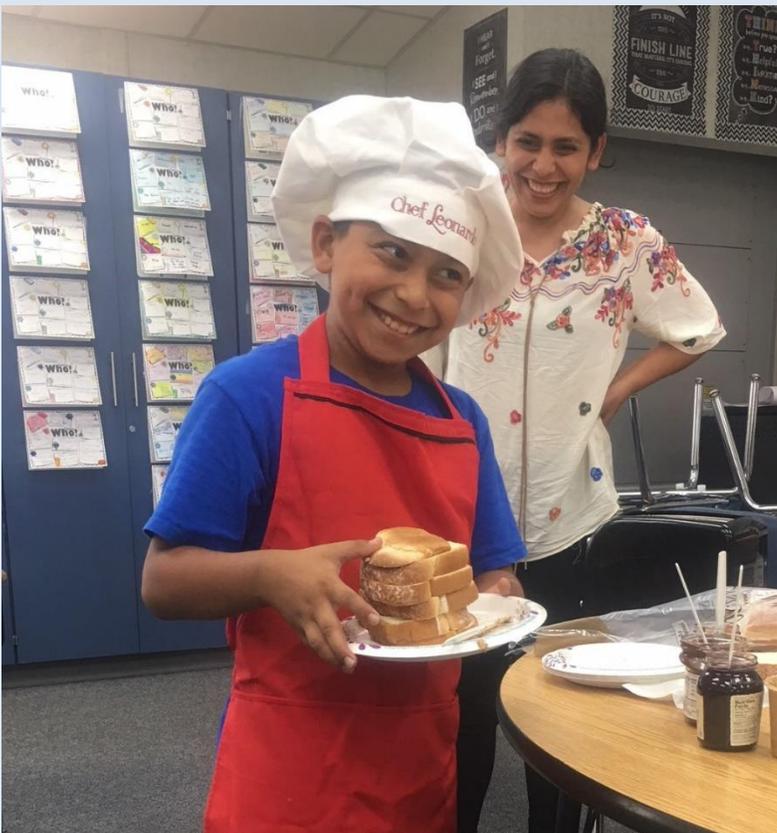


Tom Hawkins Elementary School *Home of the Huskies*

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"Living and learning with purpose"

Principal's Corner

By Christina Orsi

Monday kicks off a really busy month with so many opportunities to live and learn with purpose. October is Bullying Awareness Month. This gives staff, students, and parents an opportunity to campaign against bullying. We have several events designed to aggressively target bullying behaviors. The Jr. Bulldog Project will have its second meeting on Thursday, October 4 where they will be working on their anti-bullying skits to perform in classrooms. At our Fun Friday event on October 5, students will have a chance to paint kindness rocks to place around campus to spread positive messages to peers. On October 10, we will have a National Walk to School Day. First responders join us on campus and discuss the importance of making good choices and how to get to and from school safely. This is often a time when students are susceptible to bullying. Finally, on October 25, 6th-8th Grade students will hear the Teen Truth Live assembly and our Jr. Bulldog Project members will participate in the *Rising Up* ally training program. We hope parents join us in this common message that bullying is absolutely unacceptable and we need to treat each other with kindness and respect.

Upcoming Events

Oct 2 - ASB Meeting
Oct 4 - Jr. Bulldog Project @ 3:30pm
Oct 5 - TK-5th Grade Fun Friday
Oct 8-12 - [Scholastic Book Fair](#)
Oct 9 - School Board Meeting
Oct 10 - National Walk to School Day
Oct 12 - Real DUI Court Assembly
Oct 12 - 6th-8th Grade Dance
Oct 15-19 - [CHKS Window](#)
Oct 16 - ASB Meeting
Oct 17 - HPFC Meeting
Oct 18 - Graduation Committee Chair Meeting
Oct 19 - [Hawkins Spelling Bee](#)
Oct 19 - Tracy High Homecoming
Oct 22-26 - Red Ribbon Week
Oct 25 - [DELAC Meeting](#)
Oct 26 - HPFC Movie Night
Oct 29 - Picture Retakes
Oct 30 - ASB Meeting
Oct 31 - Halloween Parade
Nov 2 - End of Trimester 1
Nov 5-9 - College Week
Nov 6 - Election Day
Nov 9 - District Spelling Bee
Nov 12 - Veterans Day - No School
Nov 13 - Board Meeting
Nov 14 - Graduation Sub Committee Meeting
Nov 19 - 23 - Thanksgiving Break

Parent Teacher Conferences

Thank you for helping make conferences so successful. We had our highest attendance rate and some really positive conversations about improving student performance prior to report cards. Thank you for partnering with us to help your child grow!

Every Day Counts

Chronic absenteeism is a serious problem on our campus. Many students are absent or tardy on a regular basis and this has a huge impact on their learning. We want you to join us in making school attendance a high priority for your family. We are partnering with UOP and Wells Fargo to incentivize perfect attendance. Students with perfect attendance for the remainder of the month of September will be entered into a drawing to win a Kindle Fire tablet. Please see the flyer below for details.

Remember, school is your child's first and most important job. Please support them by getting them here on time and scheduling appointments and vacations outside the school day.

DID YOU KNOW?

Every Day Counts in another way. Schools are funded through their Average Daily Attendance. Did you know that in our district, each day a child is absent, the school loses

\$47.36

That means if just 1 student from each classroom is absent, our school loses \$1,326 a day or

\$238,694

per year! Every day counts!

California Healthy Kids Survey

This fall, 5th and 7th graders across the district will complete the California Healthy Kids Survey (CHKS). CHKS is the largest statewide survey of resiliency, protective factors, and risk behaviors in the nation. Across California, the CHKS has led to a better understanding of the relationship between students' health behaviors and academic performance, and is frequently cited by state policymakers and the media as a critical component of school improvement efforts to help guide the development of more effective health, prevention, and youth development programs. It can be easily customized to meet local needs, interests, and standards, and provides a means to confidentially obtain data on student knowledge, attitudes, and perceptions about the topics it covers.

Parents may find additional resources and information about the survey by clicking on the link below.

<http://chks.wested.org/>

Copies of the survey can be downloaded below in English or Spanish for review the questions prior to authorizing your student's participation.

<https://bit.ly/2zt68JZ>



YOU could WIN a Kindle Fire tablet!

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Every DAY COUNTS

ATTENDANCE CHALLENGE

#1

SCHOOL IS YOUR FIRST AND MOST IMPORTANT JOB. You need to be at school on time every day to learn what you need to achieve your goals. The more days you miss, the harder it is to keep up.

University of the Pacific and our community partners challenge you to build a habit of good attendance, starting with the month of September. Students with perfect attendance for the whole month will be entered into a drawing for a Kindle Fire tablet!

The James Irvine Foundation



WE HOPE YOU'LL JOIN US BY COMING TO SCHOOL EVERY DAY BECAUSE EVERY DAY COUNTS!

TOM HAWKINS

HPFC HAPPENINGS



The Hawkins Parent Faculty Club (HPFC) is a group of volunteers dedicated to assisting staff and parents with programs to enrich communication and activities that allow students to thrive.

Your contributions, whether it is your time, knowledge, or resources, make a difference. We would like to invite you to join us to make this the best year possible for our children!

Calendar of Events

~~Aug 28th – FUN RUN Kick-Off Pep Rally!~~

~~Sept 7 – FUN RUN~~

Sept 21 – Outdoor Movie Night, 6:30-9:00

Oct 26 – Movie Night, 6:00-8:00

Nov 13-30 – See's Candy Sale

Dec 8 – Holiday Vendor Fair, 8:00-3:00

Dec 12 – TK-4th Winter Program

Dec 13 – 5th-8th Winter Program

Jan 18 – Dads N Donuts, 7:15-8:10

Feb 15 – Parent Child Dance

Mar 4-15 – See's Candy Sale

Mar 15 – Movie Night, 6:00-8:00

Mar 27 – Open House, 6:00-7:00

May 8 – Teacher Appreciation

May 10 – Moms N Muffins, 7:15-8:10

HPFC MEETING

Library 6:30 pm

~~August 22~~

September 19

October 17

November 28

December 19

January 16

February 20

March 20

April 17

May 15

Purchase **Spiritwear** at Back to School events. If we don't have your size in stock, we can order it for you! Orders will be taken until September 21.



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Tom Hawkins has partnered with Amazon to give back to our school. Go to smile.amazon.com and select Hawkins Elementary Parent Faculty Club as your charitable organization and help us earn as you shop!

DID YOU KNOW?

We accept cash, check, and credit card at most events?

Keep in Touch!

Find us on Facebook at www.facebook.com/hawkinshuskies
Email us at tomhawkinspfc@gmail.com



October 8-12

DELAC

District English Learner Advisory Committee

Thursday, October 25, 2018

Thursday, February 7, 2019

Thursday, May 16, 2019

Meetings will take place in the District Office Board Room
from 3:30 to 4:30 pm.

Dates are subject to change

SHOP FOR YOUR SCHOOL

Save Smart

WE'LL DOUBLE YOUR POINTS

Earn 2X Points when you shop 9/5 to 9/19* and are enrolled in

Shares
Powered by eScrip

Not registered?
Text "Savemart"
to "52236"

Thank you for supporting your favorite school or charity every time you shop!

*Must be enrolled in Save Smart and Shares. Offer valid 9/5/18 - 9/19/18. Not enrolled in Shares? Link your Loyalty account at escrip.com/shares.

**Tom Hawkins
Elementary School**

S p e l l i n g

B e e



When:

October 19, 2018

Contestants:

- ❖ **Two students will represent each grade level bracket: Grades 4th-6th & Grades 7th-8th**
- ❖ **Winners will go on to the District Spelling Bee on November 8th, 2018. Spectators are welcome at this event.**

Preparation:

- ❖ **Student will be given a paper pencil test during the school day on October 19th. This event is for contestants and proctors only.**

[Click on this link to see the practice lists.](#)

Tom Hawkins Drop-Off/Pick-Up Routes



PICK UP PROCEDURES:

TK & KINDERGARTEN – ALL TK AND KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS ARE PICKED UP FROM THE GATES NEXT TO THE KINDERGARTEN BUILDING

1ST-3RD GRADERS – BE SURE TO DESIGNATE YOUR CHILD’S PICK UP AREA WHEN YOU PICK UP YOUR SCHEDULE OR ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL

ALL OTHER STUDENTS – PLEASE COMMUNICATE WITH YOUR CHILD AND LET THEM KNOW WHERE YOU WILL BE PICKING THEM UP

OPTIONS FOR PICK UP:

KINDERGARTEN GATE – PARENTS PARK/WALK UP TO GET THEIR CHILD. ADULT ON DUTY MUST HAVE VISUAL CONTACT WITH PARENT IN ORDER TO RELEASE THE CHILD

CAR LOOPS – PARENTS STAY IN THE CAR AND CHILDREN WAIT IN LINE FOR THEIR PARENT TO PULL UP. **PLEASE DO NOT PARK YOUR CAR IN THE CAR LINE AND GET OUT OF YOUR VEHICLE.**

GYM DOORS – PARENTS PARK/WALK UP TO RETRIEVE THEIR CHILD

WALKERS – STUDENTS ARE ABLE TO WALK HOME

DRESS CODE

Please review the Dress Code in our Handbook on the Jefferson District Website. Please see the graphic below for examples.

Per the district policy, the consequences for dress code violations are:

First offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes.

Second offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The student shall be assigned detention as determined appropriate by the principal or the designee.

Third offense: The student's parent/guardian shall be contacted and may be asked to meet with school staff. The student will be required to wear loaner clothes or call home for a change of clothes. The principal or the designee shall assign the student ten hours of community service to be performed within thirty calendar days.

Fourth and subsequent offenses: The student shall be suspended for a period of 1-5 days as determined by the principal or the designee.


JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

<p>ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES</p> 
<p>ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 	<p>NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS</p> 



The bralette, the cold shoulder style shirt, and the cut-off style shirt are recent fashion trends that have become very popular. Parents may be wondering if they are dress code compliant. Basically, with a bralette, the shirt worn on top of the bralette must meet the dress code requirements. For cold shoulder shirts, the shoulder straps must follow the 4-finger rule. For cut-off shirts, no mid-drift should be exposed. They can be worn with an undershirt to cover the mid-drift area.



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STUDENT EDUCATIONAL EXCHANGE
P.O. Box 428 Tracy, CA 95378
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Dear Parents and Students,

Thank you for your interest in the Tracy Sister City Youth Exchange Program to Memuro, Japan. Established 30 years ago to promote friendship and cross-cultural understanding with our Sister City in Memuro, the Youth Exchange Program has proven to be a wonderful experience for over 300 Tracy-area 8th grade students. We sincerely hope your child will find it a rewarding and enriching experience, with memories and friendships to last a lifetime. A parent informational meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tracy Transit Station. Listed below you will find an overview of the Exchange Program in addition to the application requirements and participation guidelines.

Introduction to Tracy's Sister City of Memuro, Japan: Memuro is a small, agricultural community of about 20,000 people located on the northern island of Hokkaido, Japan. It is a very safe and scenic town. We have found over the many years of friendship that the people are warm, genuine, and are wonderful host families.

Trip Details: Each year, the program selects up to ten Tracy "Youth Ambassadors" and sends them with two chaperones to Memuro for a nine-day stay (including travel time). Six of those days are spent with a Japanese home stay family. In addition to the home stay experience, students will attend several schools as well as have the opportunity to tour local museums, shrines, and other points of interest. Students are selected through an application and interview process in December, and the trip (2019 dates TBD) usually occurs in June. Once selected, Youth Ambassadors participate in mandatory bi-weekly cultural classes in preparation for their visit.

Cultural Classes: Prior to the trip to Memuro, students must attend mandatory bi-weekly cultural classes, each class lasting 1½ hours. The class schedule is determined at the first Youth Ambassador meeting. Classes, emphasizing Japanese customs, culture and language are taught by members of Sister City. Youth Ambassadors also prepare a dance which is later performed at the Youth Ambassador's "Sayonara Party" in Japan. We realize many students have various other school and athletic commitments, but it is imperative and mandatory that students attend these classes.

Home Stay Experience and Exchange: Memuro is a small town, with many of their host families being well-known and respected members of their community. Most have children who are participating in the 8th grade Memuro Youth Exchange to Tracy.

Every Spring, Tracy entertains a group of ten Memuro Youth Ambassadors for a nine-day stay. Their stay in Tracy mirrors our Youth Exchange trip to Memuro in many ways. Memuro Ambassadors visit for nine days total, six days spent with a Tracy host family. Memuro Ambassadors visit Tracy schools, museums, shops and city government buildings. The other time is spent with their tour guide in San Francisco. Because these Memuro students come to Tracy in Spring and the Tracy Ambassadors do not leave for Memuro until June, *we strongly encourage* our Tracy Ambassadors and their families to host a Memuro student. Not only is it a terrific and rewarding experience for the entire family, but in most cases it gives our Tracy Ambassadors the opportunity to get to know



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their future host 'brother' or 'sister'. (If the Memuro Ambassador's family is also willing to host, we do our best to "match and exchange" families. When the Tracy Ambassador's family hosts a Memuro student in Spring, then the Tracy Ambassador visits that Memuro student's family in June).

If your family is not able to host, Tracy Ambassadors will be placed with Memuro families based on hobbies, interests and family makeup (children of same sex/age, etc.). Any allergies or special medical needs are also taken into consideration.

Costs and Expenses: While Sister City reserves the group airline tickets for the trip, each family is responsible for the cost of the airline ticket, understanding that ticket prices vary each year and an exact price cannot be quoted until Spring. As such, we require the parents and students to actively fundraise in the months preceding. In addition to the tickets, other costs include obtaining a US passport, inexpensive host family gifts, new shoes for visiting Memuro schools, spending money in Japan, travel uniform, etc.

Fundraising: Parent participation is crucial to the success of the trip. While the students are attending cultural classes, we require the parents to meet and discuss fundraising opportunities. As a target goal, we ask that the parents raise at least \$5,000 to cover all group ground expenses for Ambassadors and chaperones (two hotel nights in Sapporo, group meals at airports and hotels, tour and museum entrance fees). The parent group is responsible for managing all fundraising money with a bank account provided by Sister City strictly for this purpose. If the parent group raises more than \$5,000, any leftover money is divided equally and dispersed back to the 10 Ambassadors and 2 chaperones. While many parents have fundraising experience through schools and various organizations, we recognize that not all parents are familiar with the fundraising process. Sister City will provide at least one parent group mentor who can recommend and supply general support on where to fundraise and how to get started. In the past, parent groups have raised as little as \$3,500 and as much as \$20,000!

Application Process: The Sister City Educational Exchange committee is seeking qualified eighth grade students who demonstrate maturity, responsibility and leadership skills. A parent informational meeting will be held on Wednesday, October 10, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. at the Tracy Transit Station. Please complete the attached application and mail it to the address provided (P.O. Box 428 Tracy, CA 95378) along with:

- _____ A recent photograph
 - _____ \$10 application fee (checks made out to Sister City Association of Tracy)
 - _____ A one-page essay as to why they would like to be considered for selection
- Additionally, the applicant must give the attached Teacher Recommendation form to two teachers along with a stamped and addressed envelope. Applicants must allow ample time for the teacher to complete their recommendation and mail it to Sister City Association by the deadline.

Sister City Association of Tracy offers student exchange opportunities to Tracy's sister city of Memuro, Japan. Tracy public schools promote these opportunities through the Sister City Student Educational Exchange Program. Tracy's public schools and Sister City Association of Tracy, Inc. assume no liability or sponsorship for the student program but endeavors to assist the program coordinators in finding qualified candidates.

There's a youth development organization in our community that helps young people gain citizenship, leadership, and life skills....it's more than just animals....

Join the Revolution of Responsibility

Jefferson 4-H



Please join us for our
Next Community Club Meeting

October 15, 2018

Theme: Costume

6:00pm located at Traina School

(In the MPR)

Accepting sign-ups for Children ages 5-19 years of age

For more information:

Contact: Lucinda Suttle 209-740-7094 or Goldie Hineman 925-202-3027



Jefferson 4-H Public Page

*Project groups include: Arts & Crafts, Swine, Sheep, Cooking, Sewing, Rabbits,
Dog Training, Turkeys, Robotics, just to name a few!!!*



Don't let the flu get the best of you!

Community Flu Shot Clinics

Protect yourself from the flu and get vaccinated at a **FREE** community flu shot clinic. Influenza vaccine is available for anyone 6 months of age and older. First come, first served.

Saturday, October 6, 2018

10:00 a.m to 1:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Registration entrance located in
South front parking lot

Thursday, November 1, 2018

5:30 to 7:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Main Entrance

For more information, please call 209-833-2308.

 **Sutter Health**
Sutter Tracy
Community Hospital

1420 N. Tracy Blvd.
Tracy, CA 95376
209-835-1500

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STCH gratefully acknowledges the generous support of the Glover/Schack Flu Shot Program for this event.

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Clínica Comunitaria de Vacunas

Protéjase contra la gripe y vacúnese en la clínica comunitaria de vacunas **GRATIS** contra la gripe. La vacuna contra la gripe está disponible para todos 6 meses de edad en adelante. Sin cita, y en orden de llegada.

Sábado, 06 de Octubre 2018

10:00 a.m. a 1:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community Hospital
Registro de entrada situada en el
sur estacionamiento del frente

Jueves, 01 de Noviembre 2018

5:30 a 7:00 p.m.

Sutter Tracy Community
Hospital Entrada Principal

Si desea obtener más información, llame al 209-833-2308.

STCH reconoce con agradecimiento el apoyo generoso de la
Glover/Schack Vacuna antigripal Programa para este evento.

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Job Openings

Jefferson School District is looking for substitute custodians, food service workers, and campus aides. If you are interested in applying, please click on the following links. Contact the Human Resources Department at 209-836-3358 if you have any questions.

Sub Custodian

<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/JobPosting/1092838>

Sub Food Service Clerk

<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/JobPosting/1078422>

Sub Campus Aide

<https://www.edjoin.org/Home/JobPosting/1095807>



Jedi Engineering using LEGO® at Tracy Transit Station, Room 105

(Course Number: 14546)



The Force awakens in this engineering course for young Jedi! Explore engineering principles by designing and building projects such as LEGO Settlements, X-Wings, R2 Units, and Pod Racers from a galaxy far, far away. Create motorized and architectural projects with imagination and engineering to defeat the Empire!

Tuesdays 10/23/18 - 12/18/18 | Time: 3:30 - 5:00pm

No Class: 11/20 | Ages: 6 - 10

Price: \$229.00 (R) / \$252.00 (NR) per student

Register at: www.tracyartsandrec.com or call 209-831-6202
or in person at City Hall (333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA 95376),



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