#### Monticello Elementary School

## **NEWSLETTER**



#### November 10, 2021

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#### A message from the principal...

Good Evening Monticello Families,

Thank you for another wonderful week! As we get into the colder months, please make sure to keep sick students home. We do need to send students home that have a cough, runny nose, and congestion. Please remember that if students develop a fever, they must be fever free for 24 hours without medication to return to school. Our ASB is working with Brighter Christmas of Tracy on a canned and non-perishable food drive. Please see the flyer below and consider donating. Finally, for families that choose to utilize the carline, please make sure your vehicle is next to the curb when dropping off your student, we are having an increase in students being dropped off in the second lane and running through traffic. Have a wonderful weekend!

Thank you to all our veterans!

Thank you,

Mrs. Bunch

#### **Upcoming dates:**

November 19--Report Cards Available on Aeries

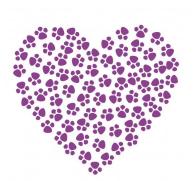
November 22-28--Thanksgiving Break

December 8--Make-Up
Picture Day
Event ID to order online:
EVTC76SCM

Every Monday 1:30 PM Release (All grades)

Tuesday-Thursday
TK-3rd Grade
2 PM Release

4th Grade 3 PM Release





## EARN YOUR Teaching Credential



Teachers College of San Joaquin offers two options to earn a teaching credential:



- Become the best teacher possible by learning from the best!
   In our Residency@TCSJ program, residents are provided a year-long student teaching placement with a skilled, veteran teacher.
- Earn your teaching credential in one year.
- Be a part of a program that addresses equity and social justice.
- Have the opportunity to earn two credentials.



- · Earn your credential while working as a teacher.
- Two year program, plus a semester of prerequisite coursework.
- Integration of coursework and teaching experiences.
- · Supported every step of the way!







Scan to learn more abou Residency@TCSJ!



Scan to learn more about the IMPACT Intern Program!



Jefferson School District Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) –

- Fall GATE Testing 5th 8th Grade: Week of November 5th
   3rd and 4th Grade Testing: In class in December
   Spring GATE Testing 5th 7th Grade (and new 3rd & 4th grade students who miss in class testing): Week of February 7th
   2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Testing: In class in April

There are three ways to qualify for GATE in Jefferson Elementary School District: Earn a qualifying score on the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test (OLSAT), meet the district CAASPP Score criteria, or through the teacher recommendation / portfolio process. Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) testing is open to second through eighth graders who have not taken the OLSAT 8 in the past three years

JSD provides  $2^{nd}-8^{ln}$  grade students the opportunity to participate in an assessment used for identifying Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) students. The test used is the Otis-Lennon School Ability Test, Eighth Edition (OLSAT-8) and it is administered two times each school year: Fall and Spring. The district also tests all second grade students in April, to be considered for GATE. This is part of a District-wide plan to address the disproportionate number of underrepresented student populations identified as gifted and capture students who may be overlooked using the past practice. The assessment was not offered in 2019-20 and 2020-21, so this school year we will also test all 3rd and 4th graders in December. School sites will notify parents as we move through the year and the different testing opportunities are made available.

Now is the time to request FALL GATE Testing: Parents are responsible for student transportation if participating in the after school test. If you would like your child to participate in the upcoming GATE testing, please contact the school office and ask for a GATE application or go to the Jefferson School District Website (<a href="https://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com">www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com</a>) for the application.

The application must be completed and returned to the school office by: <u>Wednesday, November 3, 2021</u>. Families who submit applications will be provided additional information after this deadline.

- . Jefferson: Wednesday, November 17th
- Anthony Traina:
   Monticello: NA at this time
   Tom Hawkins:



## **Attendance**

## If a student misses 2 days of school per month, they are missing over 10% of their school year!

The importance of daily school attendance must start at home, stressing the value of a consistent educational experience. It is vital for the Jefferson School District to build on this value, maintaining an essential partnership between school and home, to ensure punctual daily school attendance is a priority. Absent work completed at home is not a sufficient substitute for the quality instructions received while present in class.

Should your child need to be absent, California Education Code allows <u>EXCUSED</u> absences for the following reasons:

- Illness
- Medical/Dental Appointment
- Quarantine
- Funeral of Family Member
- To spend time with student's immediate family member who is an active duty member of the uniformed services.
- Participation in religious exercise

#### Please call the school at 209-833-9300 if your child is absent for ANY REASON.

The parent/guardian of the student must phone or send a note to clear any of these excused absences. The answering machine is activated after school hours for your convenience, and is checked at the start of the next school day. Failure to excuse your students' absence will result in a recorded truancy on the student's permanent record.

Being absent for any of the following reasons will result in an UNEXCUSED absence:

- Personal Days
- Going shopping
- Visiting Relatives
- Student's Birthday
- Oversleeping
- Childcare by the student at home

- Car Trouble
- Vacation
- Family moving from one home to another
- Cutting school

Education Code 4820: Students shall be classified as truant if absent from school without a valid excuse three full days in one school year, or tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof. Such students shall be reported to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 48260)

#### **Jefferson School District** 2021 - 2022 Instructional Calendar

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**Total Instructional School Days** 

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	August	17
	September	20
	October	21
	November	15
	December	13
	January	20
	February	18
	March	22
	April	15
	May	19
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F	Holidays		
3	Students First/Last Day (1:30 pm Release)		
10	Minimum Day (1:30 pm Release)	*	
17	Minimum Day (2 pm Release)	**	
24	Teachers First/Last Work Day		Full o
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	End of First/Second Trimester		
	P/T Conference (no students)		
P	Professional Development Day (MOU) (no students)		
Prof	fessional Development Buy Back Day (no students)		

APPROVED: 4/13/2021

#### Monticello's 2021 Spirit Wear is NOW available!!

Every purchase that is made gives money back to our MJPFA and supports a local small business!!

There are options for everyone!! Glitter, Matte, sweatshirts, t-shirts etc...

Remember....Spirit days are every Friday!!







Scan the QR code below to go directly to the Monticello Shop!



The Bling Lady & Company



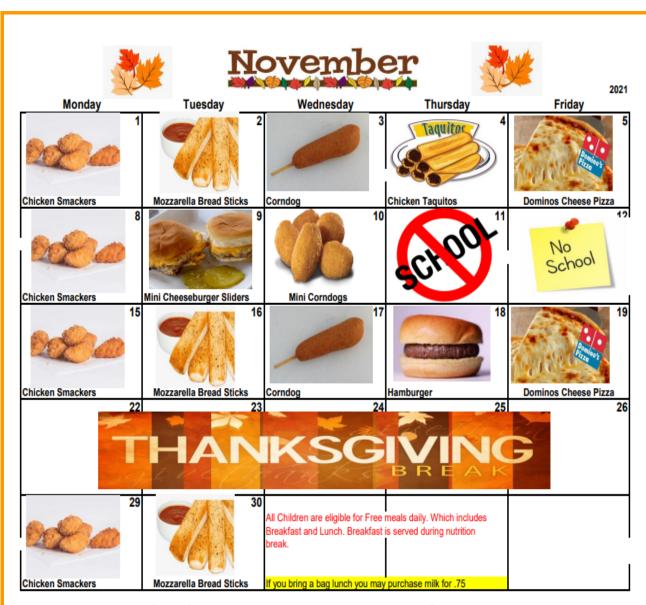
## Attention Monticello Parents!

We are collecting spirit wear pictures for the yearbook. Please email pictures of your little jaguar in their best spirit wear to:

hmarchini@jsdtracy.com







The USDA and CDE are equal opportunity providers and employers. Web site: Jeffersonschooldistrict.com Visit mymealtime.com to make pre-payments on your childs account or apply for free and reduced meals.

# 2021 Holiday Food Drive

## Brighter Christmas of Tracy

Brighter Christmas of Tracy is a non-profit group that provides food and toys to Tracy residents in need during the holidays.

Monticello Elementary School would like to help!

Please send items with your student or drop off your non-perishable, unexpired items between:

#### NOVEMBER 15th - DECEMBER 15th

Some common non-perishable items include:

- Canned Foods: meats like poultry and tuna, soups, stews, chili, gravy, sauces, pasta, fruits, vegetables, and beans
- Dried Goods: soup mixtures, pancake mix, tea bags, powdered milk, grains
- Potato chips
- Cereals
- Granulated sugar
- Peanut butter

- Syrup and honey
- Bottled Water
- Cheese or peanut butter crackers
- Beef jerky
- Applesauce
- Pudding
- Fruit cups
- Granola bars
- Power bors
- Cereal bars



Food items must be in a non-glass container.

Thank you for all of your help!

## KIMBALL HIGH SCHOOL INCOMING FRESHMAN PROGRAMS FAIR & MHSA ACADEMY NIGHT





#### NOVEMBER 17, 2021 STARTING AT 6PM

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to understand more about your student's future.

All incoming freshman parents and students are welcome.

## Kimball High School Cafe & Athletic Complex

- REGISTRATION PROCESS
- ✓ CLASS SCHEDULING
- ✓ GRAD & COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS
- ✓ EXPLORE CLASSES & CLUBS



### MHSA ACADEMY NIGHT 7PM

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK & TWITTER: KHSJAGUARS

## JOBS OPEN AT MONTICELLO

Please see the attached links for positions available at **Monticello**.

Campus Aide (1.5 hours per day)

https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJo bPosting/1497958

Instructional Aide (2 hours per day)

https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJo bPosting/1503385

Instructional Aide (3 hours)

https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJo bPosting/1479072

Food Service Worker (4 hours per day)

https://www.edjoin.org/Home/DistrictJo bPosting/1502952