

# Jefferson Times

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November 12, 2018

Dear Jefferson Families,

Mark your calendars for our Trimester 1 Awards Assemblies. They will take place on Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> in the Jefferson Gymnasium. The 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades will be at 11:00am and 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grades will be at 10:15am. During these assemblies, we will be honoring students for our CATS awards – Citizenship, Attendance, Tenacity and Success. An addition to our awards assemblies will be our end of the trimester CREED drawings. Throughout the trimester students have earned CREED tickets and 5 tickets per grade level were drawn every week. All tickets have been saved and 5 students per grade level will be drawn at the upcoming awards assemblies. These students will earn a larger prize such as a gift certificate or Jefferson swag. We are very proud of all Jefferson students and look forward to recognizing their accomplishments. So, mark your calendars and come support our students. As always, please check in with the office and get your visitors badge.

Our annual Turkey Trot takes place this Friday. Due to the poor weather quality, the outdoor trot might not take place but we will have an alternate Turkey Bowl in the gymnasium if necessary. You are more than welcome to join the fun. This event takes place at 2:00 on Friday. The top 2 winners from each grade level will take home their very own turkey!

As we move into Thanksgiving Break, please know that Jefferson School is extremely thankful for such a close community, for support, and for having your children on our campus. Furthermore, we are blessed with an amazing staff at Jefferson School and we wouldn't be where we are without them! Enjoy the time with your family and loved ones, cherish the memories, and be thankful!

Thank you for your continued support, communication, and taking the time to read the Jefferson newsletter. Feel free to contact me at any time at [awooten@sjcoe.net](mailto:awooten@sjcoe.net) or (209) 835-3053 with any questions, comments, or suggestions.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Wooten, Principal

## ~ UPCOMING DATES TO REMEMBER ~

Tuesday, November 13	District Board meeting
Friday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Green & Gold Day Turkey Trot 2pm Gym
Friday, November 16 <sup>th</sup>	Report Cards mailed home
Monday, November 19 <sup>th</sup> thru Friday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thanksgiving Break
Monday, December 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Staff vs. 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Volleyball game 1:45

# **If a student misses two (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 **EXCUSED** 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 209-835-3053 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)

Dear Families,

We are thankful!

As we prepare to take a short break from school for Thanksgiving, we want to express our gratitude for everyone who makes it possible for as many students as possible to come to school every day, on time, ready to learn. We thank:



- Our students and families for making daily attendance a priority since they know the habit of attendance will help them do well in the classroom and eventually in a job.
- Our wonderful teachers who pour their energy into making each classroom an exciting place for exploration and knowledge so children do not want to miss out on learning
- Our support staff and community volunteers who provide the extra hands and attention our children need

We appreciate each one of you so much. We look forward to seeing you after the Thanksgiving holiday. We also hope you will keep in mind that school is closed on Monday, November 19<sup>th</sup> through Friday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> and reopens Monday, November 26, 2018.

We especially appreciate everyone's efforts to avoid taking extra days off during the Thanksgiving holiday. Just a few missed days here and there, even if they're excused absences, can add up to too much lost learning time and leave your child behind in school. This is as true in kindergarten as it is in high school.

Queridas familias,

Estamos agradecidos!

Mientras nos preparamos para tomar un breve descanso de la escuela para el Día de Acción de Gracias, queremos expresar nuestra gratitud a todos los que hacen posible que la mayoría de nuestros estudiantes vengan a la escuela todos los días, puntualmente, listos para aprender.

Agradecemos a:



- Nuestros estudiantes y sus familias por hacer asistencia diaria una prioridad ya que saben el hábito de asistencia les ayudará a ser exitoso en la aula y, finalmente, en un trabajo.
- Nuestros maravillosos maestros que echan sus energías en conseguir que cada aula se a un lugar interesante para la exploración y el conocimiento para que los niños no quieran perderse el aprendizaje.
- Nuestro personal de apoyo y voluntarios de la comunidad que proporcionan las manos extra y atención que necesitan nuestros niños

Agradecemos a cada uno de ustedes mucho. Esperamos verlos después de las vacaciones del Día de Acción de Gracias. Esperamos que también se tenga en cuenta que la escuela está cerrada del lunes, 19 de noviembre a viernes, Noviembre 23 y reabre el lunes, 26 de noviembre de 2018.

Apreciamos especialmente los esfuerzos de todos para evitar tomar días de descanso extra durante las vacaciones del Día de Acción de Gracias. Pocos días perdidos aquí y allí, incluso si son ausencias justificadas, puede agregar demasiado tiempo perdido de aprendizaje y dejar atrás a su hijo en la escuela. Esto es tan cierto en kindergarten en la escuela secundaria.

# Your MJPFA & SweetArts Bakery are Sweetening Things Up Every Wednesday this November!



Stop by SweetArts Bakery on any (or every!) Wednesday this November and SweetArts will donate 20% of your purchase back to our Monticello & Jefferson PFA. How sweet!

**Every Wednesday in November  
Nov. 7th, 14th, 21st and 28th  
Store Hours: 9am-6pm**

Must present this flyer **or** picture of this flyer at time of purchase.

*SweetArts Bakery is located in downtown Tracy at 1020 B. St, Tracy CA 95376.  
Voted "Best of Best Tracy 2018 " and " Best of San Joaquin 2018"*

*Future Bulldogs*

**INCOMING  
9TH GRADE**

*Parent Night\**

*Jefferson/Hawkins/Traina*

\*FOR TRACY HIGH ZONED STUDENTS ONLY

NOVEMBER 27, 2018

6:00 PM - 7:00 PM

TRACY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA



International Baccalaureate Academy



Ag/Science Academy



Performing Arts Magnet

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## ACADEMY INFORMATION NIGHT FOR THE INCOMING 9<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS

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**WHEN: THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2018 FROM 6:00 PM-8:00 PM**

**WHERE: TRACY HIGH SCHOOL CAFETERIA**

**WHY: MEET THE COORDINATORS OF THE PERFORMING ARTS MAGNET, AGRICULTURAL/SCIENTIFIC ACADEMY AND THE INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE ACADEMY TO FIND OUT IF OUR PROGRAMS ARE RIGHT FOR YOU!**

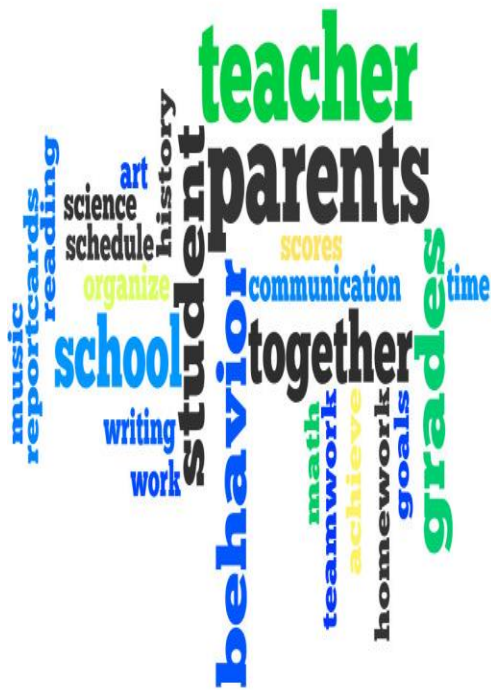
**WHO: OPEN TO ALL INTERESTED STUDENTS AND THEIR GUARDIANS WHO LIVE IN AND AROUND THE TRACY AREA. THERE ARE A LIMITED NUMBER OF INTRA-DISTRICT TRANSFERS AVAILABLE FOR OUR ACADEMIES.**

**INFORMATION ABOUT APPLICATIONS, DUE DATES, TRANSFERS AND REQUIREMENTS WILL BE DISCUSSED. INTERESTED STUDENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO COME AND JOIN IN THE DISCUSSION! THIS IS YOUR FUTURE!**





# KIMBALL HIGH INCOMING FRESHMAN PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT CLASS OF 2023



Don't miss out on this great opportunity to learn more about your student's future. All incoming freshman parents are welcome. It is never too early to start planning.

- Graduation Requirements
- A-G/College Requirements
- Freshman Scheduling
- AVID & Medical Health Services Academy
- Advanced Placement
- Registration Process

**November 29, 2018 at 6:00pm**  
Kimball High School Library



3200 Jaguar Run, Tracy CA 95377  
209.832.6600 <http://tracy.k12.ca.us>

**KIMBALL HIGH  
8TH GRADE  
ACADEMIC  
PROGRAMS  
FAIR**



Please join us for an  
informative evening  
In the  
**ATHLETIC COMPLEX**  
Opportunities  
for Students and Parents  
to learn about our programs  
and classes offered

**Highlights**

- MEET THE STAFF
- EXPLORE CLASSES
- MEET LEADERSHIP
- DISCOVER CLUBS
- FRESHMAN MEDICAL  
HEALTH SERVICES  
ACADEMY
- AVID

**COME EXPERIENCE JAGUAR PRIDE!!!**

**December 6, 2018**

**Time: 6:00-8:00 pm**

**3200 Jaguar Run Tracy, CA 95377**