

# Jefferson Times

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December 10, 2018

Dear Jefferson Families,

“The ripple effect starts with one. One person to hold open a door. One person to leave a note on someone’s car complimenting their awesome parking skills. Once person to write a thank you letter to a teacher. One person to be a spark of kindness when another really needs it.” ~ Random Acts of Kindness (<http://randomactsofkindness.org>).

The holiday season brings us jammed packed schedules but it is also a time to give and share with others. Take the time to make someone’s day by writing small notes, volunteering in the community, donating to those in need or find the time to lend a helping hand or ear. We truly have amazing students at Jefferson and I am proud to see them helping our community and proud to see how much they care about one another.

We do have a jam packed month and it is hard to believe there are only 9 days until Winter Break (12/21/2018 – 1/6/2019). Take a look at what is going on over the next couple of weeks.

Brighter Christmas: We are collecting canned goods for families in need. The class that collects the most will earn a donut and hot chocolate party.

CHIPs for Kids: Bring in your new, unwrapped toys to the office. All items will be given to the California Highway Patrol and then distributed to families in need.

Red Cross Relief for Fire Victims: Northern California has experienced devastating wildfires. The immediate needs of those affected are great, and Jefferson School is supporting the families by donating items such as blankets, diapers, toiletries, jackets, shoes, etc.

Winter Program: Jefferson School’s Winter Program takes place Wednesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 in the Jefferson gymnasium. Please come out and support our students as they have been working hard to put on another fabulous performance. Doors will open at 5:00.

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.

Alyssa Wooten

Principal

Dear Parents,

Are you planning a family trip for the holidays? As you think about your arrangements, we want to stress the importance of sending your child to school every day possible. Every year, absences spike in the weeks before and after the winter holiday as families squeeze in a few more vacation days. It's time to break that cycle. We know that just a few missed

days here and there, even if they're excused absences, can add up to too much lost learning time and put your child behind in school. This is as true in kindergarten as it is in high school. Put simply, too many absences at any age can affect a student's chances for academic success and eventually for graduation.



We recognize that holidays are an important time for reconnecting with families far away. The costs of plane tickets often influence when you want to travel. But keep in mind the costs to your children's education if they miss too much school— and the message you will be sending about the importance of attendance. Even if you've got a homework packet from the teacher, it doesn't make up for the interaction and learning that happens in the classroom. Our teachers will be teaching, and our students will be learning, right up until vacation starts and the first day back. You can help us convey that message. This holiday season, give your children the gift of an education and the habit of attendance.

Sincerely,

Ms. Vinyard

Your friendly Attendance Clerk

## **MJPFA NEWS ~**

Candygrams are coming Dec 3rd-14th! Send a special message to a friend or sibling this holiday season. Messages will be tied to a candy cane and delivered by our MJPFA before the holiday break. Each Candygram costs \$1. Students will be bringing home message sheets and info. Extra message sheets will be available in the office. **All money and messages must be turned on by Dec.14th by 3pm.**

Looking for the perfect gift for your child's, teacher? See the attached flyer on where to find a list of their favorite things!

There will be no MJPFA parent meeting this December.

## **~ CAFETERIA NEWS ~**

**OPEN to the public - Food Services Wellness Committee will be meeting on Jan 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:30, location TBD**

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Queridas familias, Jefferson

"El efecto dominó comienza con uno. Una persona abre una puerta. Una persona a deja una nota en el coche de alguien complementando sus increíbles habilidades de estacionamiento. Una persona que escribe una carta de agradecimiento a un maestro. Una persona es una chispa de bondad cuando otro realmente lo necesita." ~ actos aleatorios de amabilidad (<http://randomactsofkindness.org>).

La temporada navideña nos trae horarios abarrotados pero también es un momento para dar y compartir con otros. Tómese el tiempo para alegrar el día de alguien escribiendo notas pequeñas, ofreciéndose como voluntario en la comunidad, donando a los necesitados o encontrando el tiempo para prestar una mano o un oído. Realmente tenemos estudiantes increíbles en Jefferson y me enorgullece verlos ayudar a nuestra comunidad y me enorgullece ver cuánto se preocupan los unos por los otros.

Tenemos un mes repleto y es difícil creer que solo faltan 9 días para las vacaciones de invierno (12/21/2018 - 1/6/2019). Eche un vistazo a lo que está pasando en las próximas semanas.

Navidad brillante: estamos recogiendo productos enlatados para familias necesitadas. La clase que recolecta la mayor ganará una fiesta de donut y chocolate caliente.

Juguetes para niños: lleve sus nuevos juguetes sin envolver a la oficina. Todos los artículos serán entregados a la California Highway Patrol y distribuidos a las familias necesitadas.

La intervención de la Cruz Roja para las víctimas de incendios: Norte de California ha experimentado incendios devastadores. Las necesidades inmediatas de las personas afectadas son grandes, y la Escuela de Jefferson está apoyando a las familias donando artículos como frazadas, pañales, artículos de tocador, chaquetas, zapatos, etc.

Programa de invierno: La escuela Jefferson los invita al programa de invierno tendrá lugar el miércoles, 19 de diciembre a las 5:30 en el gimnasio de Jefferson. Por favor vengan y apoyen a nuestros estudiantes que han estado trabajando duro para poner otro fabuloso rendimiento. Las puertas abrirán a las 5:00.

Gracias por su continuo apoyo, comunicación, y por tomar el tiempo para leer el boletín de Jefferson. No dude en ponerse en contacto conmigo en cualquier momento a [awooten@sjcoe.net](mailto:awooten@sjcoe.net) o (209) 835-3053 con cualquier pregunta, comentarios o sugerencias.

Sinceramente,

Alyssa Wooten

Directora



## **Jefferson School District**

Is now Accepting Applications for  
Measure J School Bond Citizens Oversight Committee

The District is seeking members from the following categories:

- *Parent with Child(ren) Currently Enrolled in District*
- *Representative Active in a Senior Citizen's Organization*
- *Representative from Agricultural/Farming Industry*
- *Representative from Business Organization*

The Committee will meet at least annually and is responsible for overseeing Measure J bond projects and funds.

**Applications are available at:**

**Jefferson School District**  
**1219 Whispering Wind**  
**Tracy, CA 95377**  
and **[www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com](http://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com)**

*Call the Superintendent's Office at 209-836-3388 for more information.  
All applications must be received by **January 31, 2019 by 4:00 p.m.***



# GET FIRED UP!

**SUPPORT MONTICELLO & JEFFERSON SCHOOLS, TOSS YOUR TEDDY BEARS, & EXPERIENCE STOCKTON HEAT HOCKEY!**

Join your Monticello & Jefferson PFA in raising funds for your school, as well as experience the fast paced, hard hitting action of Stockton Heat Hockey on Saturday, January 19<sup>th</sup>! Bring your teddy bears to toss onto the ice after the Heat score their first goal of the game!

Save up to \$6 off of your upper corner seats through the discounted link below and order your tickets now!



JEFFERSON SCHOOL

**Stockton Heat vs. Texas Stars**  
**Saturday, January 19th, 2019**  
**6:00 PM - Stockton Arena**



Monticello Elementary School

**Tickets: Upper Corner: \$12**

Purchase: <https://groupmatics.events/event/Monticellojeffersonschool>

**For more information, contact Trevor Clemente at 209.373.1551 or [tclemente@stocktonheat.com](mailto:tclemente@stocktonheat.com)**

# *Chips for Kids*



The California Highway Patrol invites you to support the CHPs for Kids Toy Drive. New, unwrapped toys can be brought to any CHP office. For the Tracy Area, toys can be brought to the Tracy Area CHP office, 385 W. Grant Line Rd, (209) 835-8920, from November 1st to December 14th, 5 p.m.

The toys will be distributed to families in need on December 15, 2018 - from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. at:

Merrill F. West High School Cafeteria  
1775 W. Lowell Ave.





Searching for the perfect gift for your child's teacher or a special staff member this holiday season? Search no more! Visit our MJPFA website for a list of your teacher's favorite things! It's as easy as 1,2,3!

1. Visit our MJPFA website at <https://mjpfa.ptboard.com>.
2. On the lower left menu bar, click on "Teacher & Staff Favorites."
3. Open the Monticello and/or Jefferson Favorites file and search by last name. Scroll right to see their favorite things! If you do not see your teacher or a staff member listed, they have opted to not to have their information posted.

*Happy Holidays!*

If you would like to get updates on MJPFA events and ways to support Monticello & Jefferson schools, become an MJPFA member. It's free!

Click the Sign Up link at the top of our website to join.



# HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE EVERYTHING ELF

## FIND ELF ON A SHELF AT THE GRAND!

Take a selfie with it and tag us on Social Media - #grandelfonashelf #atthegrand  
Also take photos with our life size Buddy the Elf cut-outs!  
November 26 to December 20

## BIG BAD VODOO DADDY HOLIDAY SHOW December 2 • 7pm

## HOLIDAY PAINT NIGHT December 7 • 6:30pm - 9pm

## HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE & ORNAMENT STROLL

Enjoy live music, crafts for kids, Holiday Art Sale,  
Santa & Mrs. Claus with special guests in their village, 10% discount  
on Arts Education Class registrations, gift wrapping, complimentary  
hot cocoa and Buddy's Candy Corner with goodies for purchase.  
It might even snow if you are lucky!!!

December 8 • 6pm – 9pm

## THE NUTCRACKER

Everyone's holiday favorite!  
December 15 • 1pm & 6pm  
December 16 • 1pm

## ELF THE MOVIE

Wear your p.j.'s!  
Concessions available for purchase  
December 18 • 10am • \$5

*Holidays  
at the  
Grand!*



715 Central Avenue • 209-831-6858 [atthegrand.org](http://atthegrand.org)





# December



2018

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

<p><b>3</b></p> <p>Bean and Cheese Burrito Chicken Smackers Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>4</b></p> <p>Hamburger Cheese Bread Sticks w/marinara Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Taco Nada Chicken Salad Sun Butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Orange Chicken and Rice Chicken and Cheese Taquito Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Grilled Cheese Sandwich <b>NEW</b> Mini Corndogs Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>
<p><b>10</b></p> <p>Bean and Cheese Burrito Chicken Smackers Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>11</b></p> <p>Chicken Corndog Cheese Breadsticks w/marinara Sun Butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>12</b></p> <p>Beef Hot Dog with Garlic Fries Flat Bread Pizza Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>13</b></p> <p>Spicy Chicken Strips <b>NEW</b> Taco Nada Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>14</b></p> <p>Grilled Cheese Sandwich <b>NEW</b> Mini Corndogs Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>
<p><b>17</b></p> <p>Bean and Cheese Burrito Chicken Smackers Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>18</b></p> <p>Mini Cheeseburgers Cheese Bread Sticks w/marinara Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>19</b></p> <p>Chicken Patty Sandwich Flat Bread Pizza Sun Butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>20</b></p> <p>Chicken and Cheese Taquito Taco Nada Sun butter and Jelly Sandwich</p> <p>Milk Choices from the Salad Bar</p>	<p><b>No School Friday!! 21</b></p> 
<p><b>24</b></p> 	<p><b>25</b> <b>26</b> <b>27</b></p>  <p><b>Winter Break</b></p>			<p><b>28</b></p> 
<p><b>31</b></p> 	<p><b>COST OF LUNCH IS \$2.80 REDUCED MEALS .40</b></p> <p>You can purchase a carton of milk for .75</p>		<p>We will always try to have your first choice but can not guarantee it.</p> 	

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 Visit [mymealtime.com](http://mymealtime.com) to make pre-payments on your child's account or apply for free and reduced meals.