## Jefferson Times

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#### September 5, 2017

Dear Jefferson Families,

College Week is coming up. It is Monday, September 25<sup>th</sup> through Friday, September 29<sup>th</sup>. This is one of the most exciting weeks here at Jefferson. Each grade level will represent a college (see below). Throughout the week, we will teach our students about all aspects of getting to college and attending college – from loans, fun facts about colleges, grades, planning for college, etc. Each day will be a dress up day and Friday we will have a huge College Week Rally where each grade level competes against each other for the College Week Rally title.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade – Oregon State 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – University of Oregon

7<sup>th</sup> Grade – Ohio State University 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – University of Michigan

Dress up days for College Week

Monday, 9/25 - Wear college attire from any college

Tuesday, 9/26 - Wear the colors of your first period teacher's alma mater Wednesday, 9/27 - Wear blue and gold in honor of UCLA, Dr. Bridges' alma mater Thursday, 9/28 - Wear blue and red in honor of Fresno State, Mrs. Wooten's alma mater

Friday, 9/29 - Wear attire to support your grade level's adopted college (above)

Our Monticello Jefferson Carnival is also right around the corner, Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 – 7:30pm at Monticello School. Our teachers are putting together auction baskets as a fundraiser for our students. This event raises funding to run our biggest programs at our schools and the auction baskets bring in a large portion of that funding. Below are the themes of our auction baskets this year.

Please bring in items to help make the baskets the best they can be and contact your child's teacher with any further questions.

5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Gift Card Tree

6<sup>th</sup> Grade - Science Camp

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade - Sports Equipment, Exercise Equipment, Fan Basket, Outdoor Activities (slight change from last week's information)

Thank you for your continued support. Please read the newsletter on a weekly basis and do not hesitate to contact me at (209) 835-3053 or <a href="mailto:awooten@sjcoe.net">awooten@sjcoe.net</a>.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Wooten Principal



Photo Courtesy of – Mrs. Gleason

#### **FUTURE DATES TO REMEMBER**

MJPFA Family Fun Night @ Aldo's Italian ICE & GELATO ~ Thursday,
September 7th

ASB order forms due ~ Friday, September 8th

Batman vs Superman SPIRIT DAY ~ Friday, September 8th

MJPFA Annual Carnival ~ Friday, October 20<sup>th</sup> Monticello School 3-7:30pm

### **COACHES NEEDED**

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> SOCCER

7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> SOCCER



5<sup>th</sup> VOLLEYBALL 6<sup>TH</sup> VOLLEYBALL



Please contact Ms. Gates @ jgates@sjcoe.net

ALL TEAMS ARE CO-ED

# MJPFA FAMILY FUN NIGHT AT ALDO'S ITALIAN ICE AND GELATO!

## THURSDAY, SEPT. 7th

11am-10pm

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Word of the week - INDUSTRIOUS

Definition: very hardworking

Synonyms: diligent, productive, persistent, assiduous

Be Responsible Do Your Best Each Day - Think Before You Speak

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**Put Others First - Avoid Conflict** 



## CELEBRATE NATIONAL HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH September 15 - October 15, 2017

During **National Hispanic Heritage Month** (September 15 to October 15) we recognize the contributions made and the important presence of Hispanic and Latino Americans in the United States and celebrate their heritage and culture.

#### HISTORY:

The observation started in 1968 as Hispanic Heritage Week under President Lyndon Johnson and was expanded by President Ronald Reagan in 1988 to cover a 30-day period starting on September 15 and ending on October 15. It was enacted into law on August 17, 1988, on the approval of Public Law 100-402.

The day of September 15 is significant because it is the anniversary of independence for the Latin American countries: Costa Rica, El Salvador, Guatemala, Honduras, and Nicaragua. In addition, Mexico and Chile celebrate their independence days on September 16 and September 18, respectively.

#### PURPOSE:

Hispanics have had a profound and positive influence on our country through their strong commitment to family, faith, hard work, and service. They have enhanced and shaped our national character with centuries-old traditions that reflect the multiethnic and multicultural customs of their community.

#### RESOURCES

**Executive and Legislative Documents** 

The Law Library of Congress has compiled guides to commemorative observations, including a comprehensive inventory of the Public Laws, Presidential Proclamations and congressional resolutions related to National Hispanic Heritage Month.

http://www.loc.gov/law/help/commemorative-observations/hispanic-heritage.php

#### RESOURCES CONTINUED

#### **Public Law**

90-498, 82 STAT. 848

http://www.loc.gov/law/help/commemorative-observations/pdf/Pub.%20L.%2090-498.pdf

100-402 STAT 1012 Amended Public Law 90-498

http://www.loc.gov/law/help/commemorative-observations/pdf/Pub.%20L.%20100-402.pdf

### United States Code 36 U.S. Code § 126

https://www.law.cornell.edu/uscode/text/36/126

#### San Joaquin County Hispanic Chamber of Commerce

http://www.sjchispanicchamber.com/pages/Home

#### The National Hispanic Heritage Month

http://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/

#### The following sites offer great resources for teachers: National Hispanic Heritage Month

http://www.hispanicheritagemonth.gov/teachers/

#### **Library of Congress**

http://www.loc.gov/teachers/classroommaterials/themes/hispanic-americans/set.html

#### **Smithsonian Education**

http://www.smithsonianeducation.org/educators/resource\_library/hispanic\_resources.html

#### **National Park Services**

https://www.nps.gov/subjects/teachingwithhistoricplaces/index.htm

#### **National Endowment for the Humanities**

http://edsitement.neh.gov/feature/national-hispanic-heritage-month





#### Word of the Week 2017-2018

Date	Word of the Week	Definition & Synonyms
8/8 – 8/11	influential	<b>Definition:</b> having the ability to cause change <b>Synonyms:</b> effective, powerful, important, <i>efficacious</i>
8/14 – 8/18	versatile	<b>Definition:</b> having or capable of many uses <b>Synonyms:</b> adjustable, flexible, adaptable, <i>multifaceted</i>
8/21 – 8/25	gregarious	<b>Definition:</b> enjoying the company of other people <b>Synonyms:</b> outgoing, sociable, friendly, <i>genial</i>
8/28 – 9/1	ambitious	<b>Definition:</b> having a desire to be successful <b>Synonyms:</b> eager, earnest, determined, <i>avid</i>
9/5 – 9/8	industrious	<b>Definition:</b> very hardworking <b>Synonyms:</b> diligent, productive, persistent, assiduous
9/11 — 9/15	rebuttal	<b>Definition:</b> a statement that proves something is false by providing evidence <b>Synonyms:</b> reply, counterargument, defense, <i>confutation</i>
9/18 – 9/22	studious	<b>Definition:</b> very serious about learning <b>Synonyms:</b> scholarly, attentive, thoughtful, sedulous
9/25 — 9/29	exuberant	Definition: characterized by a lively energy and excitement Synonyms: active, energetic, enthusiastic, ebullient
10/2 – 10/6	manifest	<b>Definition:</b> to show something clearly <b>Synonyms:</b> evident, obvious, apparent, <i>palpable</i>
10/9 – 10/13	inquisitive	<b>Definition:</b> having a desire to know or learn more <b>Synonyms:</b> curious, interested, searching, <i>analytical</i>
10/16 – 10/20	apprehensive	<b>Definition:</b> uneasy or fearful about something that might happen <b>Synonyms:</b> anxious, concerned, uncertain, <i>disquieted</i>
10/24 – 10/27	garb	<b>Definition:</b> a particular style or type of clothing <b>Synonyms:</b> attire, apparel, garment, <i>raiment</i>
10/30 – 11/3	comprise	Definition: to be made up of something Synonyms: include, contain, involve, constitute
11/6 – 11/9	stellar	<b>Definition:</b> better than anything else <b>Synonyms:</b> outstanding, very good, grand, superior

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11/13 – 11/17	subsequent	<b>Definition:</b> occurring or coming later or after <b>Synonyms:</b> following, successive, consecutive, <i>ensuing</i>
11/27 – 12/1	collaborate	<b>Definition:</b> to work with another person in order to achieve something <b>Synonyms:</b> participate, cooperate, conspire, <i>collude</i>
12/4 – 12/8	formidable	Definition: great strength Synonyms: difficult, challenging, tough, arduous
12/11 – 12/15	copious	<b>Definition:</b> very large in amount <b>Synonyms:</b> plenty, abundant, extensive, <i>multiplicity</i>
1/8 – 1/12	escalate	<b>Definition:</b> to increase in extent, volume, number, amount or intensity <b>Synonyms:</b> enlarge, expand, accelerate, <i>burgeon</i>
1/16 – 1/19	fortitude	<b>Definition:</b> mental strength and courage that allows someone to face danger, pain, etc. <b>Synonyms:</b> firmness, bravery, grit, <i>moxie</i>
1/22 – 1/26	pertinent	<b>Definition:</b> relating to what is needed to know <b>Synonyms:</b> relevant, suitable, applicable, apropos
1/29 – 2/2	essential	<b>Definition:</b> very important <b>Synonyms:</b> necessary, critical, required, <i>imperative</i>
2/5 – 2/9	dynamic	<b>Definition:</b> continuous and productive activity or change <b>Synonyms:</b> energetic, lively, vigorous, <i>kinetic</i>
2/13 – 2/16	invaluable	Definition: extremely useful Synonyms: helpful, necessary, needed, precious
2/20 – 2/23	hone	<b>Definition:</b> to make more effective <b>Synonyms:</b> sharpen, improve, better, <i>whet</i>
2/26 – 3/1	supplement	<b>Definition:</b> to add to something to make it complete <b>Synonyms:</b> enhance, strengthen, reinforce, <i>augment</i>
3/5 – 3/9	toil	<b>Definition:</b> hard and continuous work <b>Synonyms:</b> labor, exertion, effort, <i>travail</i>
3/12 – 3/16	congregate	<b>Definition:</b> to come together in a group or crowd <b>Synonyms:</b> gather, flock, collect, <i>convoke</i>
3/19 – 3/23	unrelenting	<b>Definition:</b> not letting up <b>Synonyms:</b> constant, ceaseless, continual, <i>tenacious</i>

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3/26 – 3/29	foster	<b>Definition:</b> to help something grow or develop <b>Synonyms:</b> encourage, further, advance, <i>foment</i>
4/9 – 4/13	forum	<b>Definition:</b> a place or opportunity for discussing a subject <b>Synonyms:</b> gathering, assembly, convention, <i>colloquy</i>
4/16 – 4/20	considerate	<b>Definition:</b> thoughtful of the rights and feelings of others <b>Synonyms:</b> polite, kind, mindful, <i>amiable</i>
4/23 – 4/27	savor	<b>Definition:</b> to enjoy something for a long time <b>Synonyms:</b> appreciate, delight (in), like, <i>relish</i>
4/30 – 5/4	culminate	<b>Definition:</b> reach the end or final result of something <b>Synonyms:</b> conclude, finish, close, <i>crown</i>
5/7 – 5/11	excellence	<b>Definition:</b> the state of being very good <b>Synonyms:</b> superiority, greatness, perfection, <i>eminence</i>
5/14 – 5/18	afford	Definition: to be able to give or spare Synonyms: manage, allow, support, bear
5/21 – 5/25	habitual	<b>Definition:</b> regularly or repeatedly doing something <b>Synonyms:</b> constant, continual, perpetual, <i>inveterate</i>

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# Save the date!

OCTOBER 20TH, 3PM-7:30PM AT MONTICELLO ELEMENTARY

