



# Jefferson Times

MAY 5, 2014

FAMILY EDITION #31

## Weekly Events

Monday:

- STAR testing - 5th/8th grade (science only)

Tuesday:

- 8th Grade Portfolio Interviews

Wednesday:

- 8th Grade Portfolio Interviews
- Open House 6:30-7:30

Thursday:

- 8th Grade Portfolio Interviews
- Jump/Hoops for Heart - 2pm schedule
- PFA Meeting @ Jefferson 6:30pm

Friday:

- Spirit: Hawaiian Day
- Water Rally: Hawaiian Luau

## Critical Thinking Word of the Week

# SUBSTITUTE

## Upcoming Events

### May

10th → Enna Black's Bday

14th → ASB applications available

15th → Pops Concert 6:30 in gym

20th → Board Meeting

21st → ASB applications due  
→ Honors Night @ 6:30

22nd → Class of the Year Party

23rd → Minimum Day

→ ASB Elections

→ Ice Cream Social

26th → NO SCHOOL

27th → 8th grade trip to Great America

29th → Minimum Day / Last day

→ Report Cards mailed

→ Graduation @ 7:30

## A Note from the Principal...

Hello Jefferson Families!

We are down to the last four weeks of school! May is a busy month at Jefferson. We have so many fun activities for our students and families. We hope to see you around school.

5th and 8th grade students will be finishing up STAR science testing on Monday. This is the only STAR test that was not waived for the Federal accountability portion of No Child Left Behind.

6th grade students are completing SBAC testing this week in the computer lab. This is our final group to complete testing. Testing and technology has gone smoothly for our first time doing Smarter Balanced Assessments.

Our 8th grade exit interviews begin this week. 8th grade students, along with their parents, will attend a 15 minute interview with myself and an 8th grade teacher. 8th graders will be asked a variety of questions regarding material learned in all classes this year. Be sure to dress to impress! If you are unsure of your interview time or need to reschedule your appointment, please contact the office.

On Wednesday, we have our annual Open House from 6:30-7:30pm. Come visit your child's classroom and see all of the fabulous work they have been doing. Our teachers and students have been working hard getting ready to show off all of their hard work!

Thursday is our hoops and jump rope for heart activity. Students who fundraised \$10 or more are participating in athletic activities for the last hour of the day.

Also on Thursday is our monthly MJPPFA meeting at 6:30pm in the cafeteria. Come join us and find out how you can help out at school. Friday is our annual water rally and farewell to 8th grade rally. Students are looking forward to having fun and getting wet in our final rally of the year!

I hope everyone has a great week! Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or comments.

Thanks,  
Jennifer Tilton  
Principal

Be Responsible

Do Your Best Each Day - Think Before You Speak

## JEFFERSON CREED

Put Others First - Avoid Conflict

# 2014 Kimball High Jaguar Youth Football Camp

**When:** Tuesday June 10th, Wednesday June 11th and Thursday June 12th 6-8 pm

**Where:** Kimball High School @ Don Nicholson Stadium

**Cost:** \$40.00 dollars per camper 5.00 discount for two or more family members who attend the camp.

Camp fee includes a t-shirt and free admission to a varsity Kimball game.

This non-contact camp is designed to teach basic football fundamentals and sportsmanship to girls and boys ages 7 to 14. Each camper will receive instruction on Offensive and Defensive play by Kimball HS Coaches and Players.

Camper should wear their camp T shirt and shorts. Cleats are allowed, but not mandatory. No Metal Cleats are allowed.

*For camp information contact Dantelle McElley at 209-814-7682 or*

*Email: dantellemcelley@sbcglobal.net*

*Mail registration and fee to:*

*Kimball Football Youth Camp, 3200 Jaguar Run, Tracy Ca, 95377*

*Make checks or money orders payable to Kimball High football*

CAMPER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
BIRTHDAY: \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
T-SHIRT SIZE: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT/GAURDIAN NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
PARENT CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMERGENCY CONTACT: \_\_\_\_\_  
RELATIONSHIP TO CAMPER: \_\_\_\_\_  
EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

Permission for Emergency Medical Treatment/Medical Insurance

I confirm that my camper is healthy enough to participate in this noncontact football camp. I have medical insurance on my camper and will provide coverage while he/she is participating in the camp. In the event of a medical emergency, if I am not available, I authorize the camp director or his designee to seek medical attention for my camper, and to execute consent orders to authorize emergency medical treatment for any medical procedures that may be required.

Policy Holder's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Insurance Company \_\_\_\_\_

Policy # \_\_\_\_\_

*(I do not have medical insurance and take the responsibility of medical expenses on my own \_\_\_\_\_ Initial)*

#### **Assumption of Risk, Waiver of Liability**

I am aware of the dangers involved in participation in the physical activities of the Junior Wolf Pack Football Camp and all activities related to the camp; these activities include, without limitation, practices and events. With regard to such physical activity, I am aware that there is inherent danger and risk of injury. I also am aware that many of these injuries may be serious and may include, without limitation, damages to joints, ligaments, muscles, bones, neck, spine, and other parts of the body. My participation in the above events and in all activities related to the above events is a voluntary act with full and complete knowledge of the risks involved. I hereby voluntarily assume all such risks associated with my participation in the above events. Additionally, I agree to exonerate, save, indemnify, and hold harmless the Junior Jaguar Football Camp including its director, employees, coaches, volunteers, physicians and other practitioners of the healing arts, Kimball High School, Tracy Unified School District, and anyone else associated with the Junior Jaguar Football Camp from any and all liability, claims, causes of action, or demands of any kind and nature whatsoever, including without limitation personal injury which may arise from or in connection with my participation in any activities related to the camp. The terms hereof shall serve as a release and assumption of risk for me, my parents or guardian, my heirs, estate, executor, administrator, assignees, and all members of my family. I have read and understand this acknowledgment and release and execute it as a free and voluntary act. Further, this acknowledgment and release is contractual and not a mere recital.

Camper Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_



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

The District is seeking members from the following categories:

- *Representative from a Business Organization*
- *Representative from a Senior Citizen Organization*
- *Parent with Child(ren) Currently Enrolled in District*
- *Representative from a Taxpayer Organization*
- *Parent Representative from a District Support Organization*
- *Representative from Agricultural/Farming Industry*
- *At-Large Member of the Public*

The Committee will meet at least quarterly 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 Superintendent's Office at 209-836-3388 for more information.  
All applications must be received by May 30, 2014 by 4:00 p.m.*

# IMPORTANT REMINDERS

## Intradistrict Open Enrollment for the 2014-15 School Year

Some of you may wish your child/children to attend one of our schools rather than their assigned or current school. In an effort to possibly accommodate these wishes, the district has in place board policy 5116.1, which allows you to complete an intradistrict attendance request form. These forms are available at all four school sites, the district office and [www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com](http://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com). Please return your completed form to any school site or the district office **between May 1 and May 15**.

Intradistrict requests will be considered only if there is space available at a particular site and grade level. Throughout the spring, enrollment and grade level numbers at each site will be closely monitoring. Families will be notified of the decision the first week of June.

If you are interested, a copy of the board policy 5116.1 is available at the district office, 1219 Whispering Wind Drive, or on the district website. If you have questions regarding the process, please call the district office at 836-3388.

## Public Viewing of Pilot Math Curriculum

**The Jefferson School District currently is participating in a pilot of two math publishers - McGraw Hill and Houghton Mifflin. Public review and input is an important step in curriculum selection. Parent feedback is highly valued. Samples from both publishers will be on display in the District Board Room throughout April and May. The Board Room is located at District Office at 1219 Whispering Wind Drive. Open viewing hours will be every Friday from 8:30am-4:00pm. You can also schedule an appointment to view the materials by contacting Christina Orsi at 209-836-4531.**

March 13, 2014

Dear Jefferson Families:

Our school is one of many in the country participating in the Smarter Balanced Assessment Field Test this spring. Schools in 22 states will administer the online assessment in mathematics and/or English starting this March.

The Smarter Balanced assessments are a key part of implementing our new academic standards and preparing all students for success in college and careers. When the assessments become operational in the 2014-15 school year, they will provide an academic checkup by measuring real-world skills like critical thinking and problem solving. In addition, they will provide information during the year to give teachers and parents a better picture of where students are succeeding and where they need help. This practice run of the assessments will be used to evaluate the testing software, ensure the quality of assessment questions, and evaluate the effectiveness of the assessment administration and training materials. It also provides teachers and students at our school an opportunity to preview the types of questions that will be part of the Smarter Balanced assessments and practice test administration procedures.

For our school, students in 5-8 have been selected to take the Field Test in English/Language Arts and Math. The assessment will take place March 18 – April 17, 2014, and will take six to eight hours of your child's time. The assessment will be administered over multiple days. Participation is confidential, and your child's grades will not be affected.

If you would like more information about Smarter Balanced, please visit the Smarter Balanced website at <http://www.smarterbalanced.org/>. If you have any questions regarding your child's participation, please contact Jennifer Tilton at [jtilton@sjcoe.net](mailto:jtilton@sjcoe.net) or (209) 835-3053.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Jennifer Tilton". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Jennifer Tilton  
Principal