



Jefferson Times

Home of the Wildcats

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Good Evening Amazing Jefferson Families,

It seems like yesterday we started back from Winter Break and we are already into the month of February. This is a quick month in general and before we know it, it will be spring and then the end of the school year.

Speaking of February, Trimester 2 ends at the end of the month (Feb 24th) so please make sure your student is checking in with their teachers to make sure they have all of their work turned in and are prepared for their assessments. If your child needs support, please encourage them to reach out to their teachers on their own. Many of our teachers are offering extra support either before school, lunch, or after school. We also have our intervention specialist who has been supporting students and will continue as we move into the 3rd trimester.

Don't forget about our Kindness Wall and please send in those messages. They have been great to see and the students love reading them when they are in the office or the cafeteria. I also want to thank you all for speaking to your students about our CREED and how all of us follow it, including us adults. It is so important that our children see us model appropriate behavior as they are navigating through school and home. Jefferson truly is a special place and I am honored to be a part of it and so appreciative for all of your support.

Have an amazing weekend!! GO WILDCATS!!

In Kindness,

Jason Strickland
Principal

Absent? We have a new email to streamline absence notifications. The next time your child(ren) are absent, please email jeffersonattendance@jsdtracy.com to notify the school. In addition, please visit our website [HERE](#) for our Daily Bulletin (morning announcements), Jefferson Times, Kind/Uplifting Messages, and more!

Upcoming Events

2/8 – Minimum Day
2/10 – Sports Spirit Day
2/13 – NO SCHOOL
2/14 – JSD Board Meeting @ 6:30pm
2/15 – Minimum Day
2/20 – President's Day – NO SCHOOL
2/22 – Minimum Day
2/24 – End of Trimester 2
Flannel Spirit Day
Winter Wonderland Dance 6-8pm
3/1 – Minimum Day
3/8 – Minimum Day
3/15 – Minimum Day
3/22 – Minimum Day
3/28 – CATS Awards – 5/6th 9am, 7/8th 10am
3/29 – Minimum Day
4/5 – Minimum Day
4/10 - 4/14 – Spring Break
4/19 – Minimum Day & Open House @ 6pm
4/26 – Minimum Day
4/28 – Dance
5th grade 4pm
6-8th grade 6pm
5/3 – Minimum Day
5/10 – Minimum Day
5/11 – Spring Concert 6pm
5/12 – 8th grade Great America
5/15 – Class of the Year party
5/17 – Minimum Day
8th grade Honor's Night @ 6:30pm
5/19 – Spring Musical @6pm
5/24 – Minimum Day

Attendance



Every Day Counts

Chronic absenteeism is a serious problem on our campus. Many students are absent or tardy on a regular basis and this has a huge impact on their learning. We want you to join us in making school attendance a high priority for your family. Remember, school is your child's first and most important job. Please support them by getting them here on time and scheduling appointments and vacations outside the school day.

Drop Off/Pick Up



Dress Code



JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

ACCEPTABLE TOPS



NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS



ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



ACCEPTABLE SHOES



NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES



For the Love of Reading!

Jefferson Library

Fundraiser

February 6th - February 17th

Help add books to the Jefferson Library with the online Titlewish fundraiser!

Books your students have been requesting! Books to complete series!

Books they see themselves reflected in! Books needed for class projects!

Why do we need your help? There is simply not enough money in the budget to fill our library with the books your students need and want to read!

Grade Level Competition!

Each grade that reaches its goal will get to Duct tape Mr. Strickland to the wall and throw chocolate-covered marshmallows at him!

Links will go live on February 6th.

Log on to your student's grade level donation page and start raising funds

[5th Grade Donation Page](#)

[6th Grade Donation Page](#)

[7th Grade Donation Page](#)

[8th Grade Donation Page](#)

Titlewish™ is an online donation program that allows us to use 100% of donated funds to purchase materials for our library.





Doodle for
Google



Dear Educator,

We are happy to announce that **Doodle for Google** is returning for its 15th year this January! If you aren't familiar, Doodle for Google is an annual contest where we invite students in grades K-12 to express their creativity by drawing their very own Google Doodle in response to a prompt. The winning Doodle will be **displayed on the Google homepage for 24 hours**.

This year, we're excited to share that the prompt will be:

I am grateful for....

Taking a step back to think about what we're grateful for can be a great way to take care of our mental health and refocus on what's most important. What moments, people, places and things are special to you? What or whom can you not imagine living without? What are the things that get you through the day? Our theme this year encourages you to share what you appreciate most.



As an educator, you play an important role in encouraging creativity among your students. Visit <https://doodles.google.com/d4g/> or use the QR code below to learn more about the contest, discover how to submit, and find educator resources and curriculum guides around the prompt. We've also included a handy submission form on the back of this note that you can copy and use in your classroom.



Contest submissions open on **January 11, 2023** and run until **March 7, 2023**. 54 students will be named winners from their state/territory. Four finalists will win a \$5,000 scholarship and one winning student will receive:

- A \$30,000 college scholarship
- A \$50,000 Google for Education technology package for their school
- Their artwork will be placed on the Google homepage for a day

We can't wait to see what your students create! Happy doodling!!

NEW IN 2023

SPRING BREAK CAMP

a **PACKED** week of fun in the sun

STEM, painting, arts & crafts, games, outdoor activities

FOR AGES 5-11

APRIL 10TH-APRIL 14TH

9:00 AM TO 3:00 PM

TRACY SPORTS COMPLEX-MEETING ROOM



Register today!

for more information:

www.tracyartsandrec.com

Call (209) 831-6202



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Scholarships available for those who qualify.

