



Jefferson Times

Home of the Wildcats

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August 12th, 2022

Dear Amazing Jefferson Families,

Let me say first I am so excited to be your new Principal. I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to serve this school to inspire and motivate your children every day. It has been great getting to meet some of you this week and I look forward to building our partnership throughout the school year so we can best support your children.

What a phenomenal first week of school! It was so great seeing all the smiling students on Monday and sharing in their excitement to be back at school. We had a busy week with a Menchies treat for all students on Monday, Back to School Night on Tuesday, and picture day on Thursday. We even were able to get in a fire drill this week too!

A special thank you to our parent group, MJPFA, and their support this week. They had a great "welcome back" sign for us on Monday, helped with Menchies, and also brought our amazing staff coffee and sweet treats on Tuesday. Thank you MJPFA!

As we roll into our second week of school, I want to remind everyone of a couple of important things:

Drop Off/Pick Up:

The drop off and pick up procedures will continue to move more quickly. However, there are a few things you can do to help us out.

- Pull your car ALL the way forward to allow more cars in the line
- Fill up the parking spots first at dismissal. Park facing backwards for easy exit. Your child can walk to your car using the crosswalk. This will eliminate so many cars on the street.
- Keep your child's belongings next to them for easy exit. If you need to open your trunk, park.
- Students should not load into cars that are on Chrisman or Linne Road. This is not allowed.

Absences:

If your child is absent for any reason, please contact the office at **209-835-3053** as soon as possible. If for any reason your child is late to school, they must enter through the office upon return so we can clear them for class. Please do not drop them off in between the cafeteria and office if they are returning from being ill.

Please take the time to read our newsletter, which is emailed to families weekly. It is also available on our [school website](#). Furthermore, follow us on Instagram @jeffersonwildcats.

Also, get involved with our fabulous MJPPFA by visiting them at <https://mjppfa.ptboard.com/> and follow them on Instagram @mj.pfa or email them at mjppfa6@gmail.com. Contact our office at (209) 835-3053 with any questions or suggestions.

Take care,

Jason Strickland

Principal



UPCOMING EVENTS

8/17 – Minimum Day
8/24 – Minimum Day
8/31 – Minimum Day
9/5 – Labor Day (NO SCHOOL)
9/7 – Minimum Day
9/12-9/16 – COLLEGE WEEK
9/14 – Minimum Day
9/16 – COLLEGE WEEK RALLY
9/21 – Minimum Day
9/26 – Parent Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)
9/28 – Minimum Day
Coffee & Conversations w/Principal 8:30am

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.

Dress Code



JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

ACCEPTABLE TOPS



NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS



ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



ACCEPTABLE SHOES



NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES



Drop Off/Pick Up



Did you know?

If a student misses 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 a 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
- Car Trouble
- Vacation
- Family moving from one home to another
- Cutting school
- Childcare by the student at home

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)



HOP, SLITHER, OR CRAWL

OVER TO THE JUNGLE OF FUN
WITH CUB SCOUT PACK 525!

JOIN US AS WE MEET FROGS,
LIZARDS, TORTOISES AND MORE
WITH A CHANCE TO PET SOME
RAINFOREST REPTILES!



WHO: TRACY CUB SCOUT PACK 525
& SHEDSKIN REPTILES

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 24,
2022 AT 6:30PM

WHERE: VETERANS PARK,
GLENHAVEN DR & GLENBROOK DR



FIND US ON FACEBOOK!

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