



# Jefferson Times

Home of the Wildcats

Jason Strickland, Principal  
Angela Hewey, Principal's Secretary

October 7th, 2022

Good Evening Amazing Jefferson Families,

Things are moving right along here at Jefferson and it's hard to believe that we are finishing up our 9th week of school and squarely into the month of October. Before we start to talk about all the amazing things ahead of us, I wanted to take the time to thank all of you for coming to Parent Teacher Conferences. It was great to see all of you on campus and I know the teacher's appreciated the time to connect with you. It truly takes a team so we are grateful for your partnership in your child's education. We are always striving to improve here at Jefferson so please click [HERE](#) to fill out a quick survey on your experience and how we can improve.

It was great seeing many of you at our Coffee and Conversation with the Principal last week. I was glad to see some parents in the evening at our virtual version. I will use this same format next month on the last Wednesday of the month (October 26th); in-person meeting with me in the morning and a virtual meeting with me in the evening. We also had a successful Campus Beautification event last weekend and I want to thank all of the students, families, and teachers that attended. Everyone did an amazing job cleaning up in and around the school. Look for our next Campus Beautification sometime in November.

Our fall sports are in full swing and we had our first ever Cross Country meet this past Monday. It was a success and I was so glad to see such a great turnout from all of the schools in our district. The students did a phenomenal job and they are excited for our next meet at Hawkins on Monday. Our 6th and 8th grade Volleyball teams also played this past week and did amazing. Thank you to all of the families that came out and supported the teams.

We have lots of great things planned in October including our MJPFA Carnival next Friday (10/14), Science Camp (10/17-10/21) for our 6th graders, and Red Ribbon Week at the end of the month. Be on the lookout for school spirit days throughout the month, beginning with Wear **Pink** for Breast Cancer Awareness this Friday (10/14). On that same day, be sure to head over to Monticello starting at 3:30 for our MJPFA Fall Carnival. We haven't had it for a couple of years so it should be an amazing time!

Have a great weekend and GO Wildcats!

Take care,

*Jason Strickland*

Principal

## UPCOMING EVENTS

10/12 – Minimum Day  
10/14 – PINK spirit day  
10/17-10/21 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Science Camp  
10/19 – Minimum Day  
10/21 – GREEN & GOLD spirit day  
10/24 Twin/Multiples spirit day  
10/25 – Camouflage spirit day  
10/26 – Minimum day & Mismatch spirit day  
Coffee & Conversations w/Principal  
8:30am  
10/27 – Denim spirit day  
10/28 – Mustache spirit day  
10/31 – Costume spirit day  
11/4 – End of 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester

# 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.

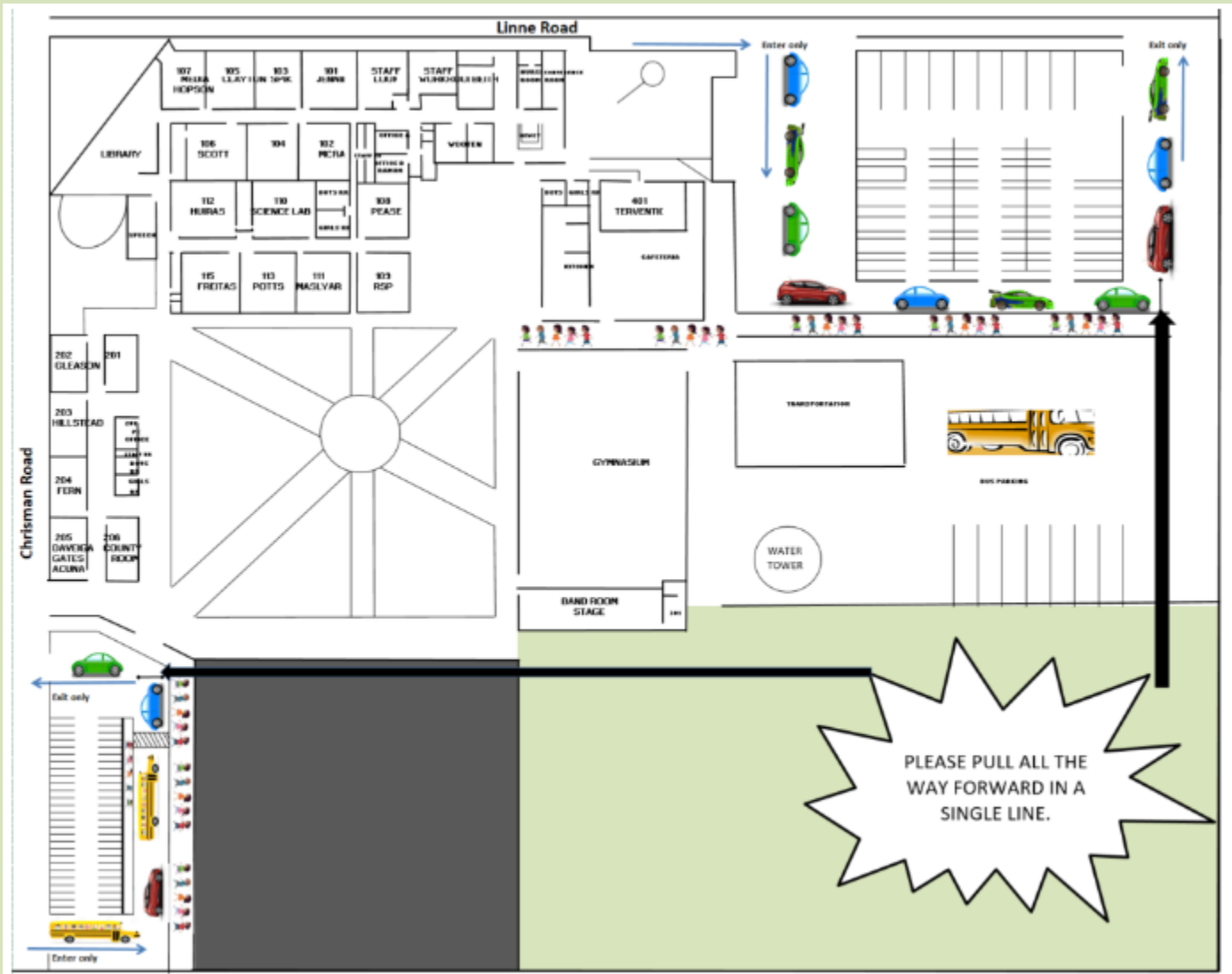
# Dress Code



## JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

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# Drop Off/Pick Up



# ASB Activity Calendar


## 2022–2023 Jefferson ASB Activity Calendar

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8/8 - First Day of School							9/2 - Crazy Sock Day							10/7 - Extreme Green & Gold Tracy High Homecoming							11/4 - Masquerade Dance 6-8							Brighter Christmas																	
							9/12 - Any College or Career Attire							10/14 - Pink Day							11/10 - Red, White, & Blue Day							12/2 - Disney Day																	
							9/13 - First Period Teacher's College							10/24 - Twin/Multiples Day							11/18 - Pajama Day							12/16 - Ugly Sweater Day																	
							9/14 - UCLA							10/25 - Camo Day																															
							9/15 - Cal State							10/26 - Mismatch Day																															
							9/16 - Adopted College & College RALLY							10/27 - Denim Day																															
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January 2023							February 2023							March 2023							April 2023							May 2023																		
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1/6 - Villan Day							2/10 - Sports Day							3/10 - Decades Day							4/6 - Autism Awareness Day-Wear Blue							5/1-5/5 - Staff Appreciation Week																		
1/20 - Class Color Day & FOOD RALLY							2/24 - Flannel Day & Winter Wonderland Dance 6-8							3/31 - Extreme Green & Gold Day & Wildcat Rally							4/28 - Beach Day & Hawaiian Dance 5th grade 4-5:30, 6-8 grade 6-8							5/4 - May the 4th Be w/You-Wear Star Wars 5/12 - Hero Day 5/15 Class of the Year Party! 5/25 - Last Day of School & Shades & Flip Flops Day																		

Dates and Spirit are subject to change.

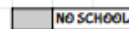
**ASB Meetings – Mondays, 3:00–4:15 in the library.**

 ASB Meeting

 Spirit Day

 Jefferson Spirit

 Rally

 NO SCHOOL





# Know the Dangers of Fentanyl

With Halloween approaching it is more important than ever that parents inspect all candy and treats being provided to their children. Brightly-colored fentanyl, referred to as rainbow fentanyl, has been identified as a new trend in the United States by the DEA. Rainbow fentanyl can be found in many forms, including pills, powder, and blocks that can resemble sidewalk chalk or candy. Fentanyl can be disguised in Skittles, mints, and other hard candies. Rainbow fentanyl, like all forms of fentanyl, is extremely potent and dangerous.



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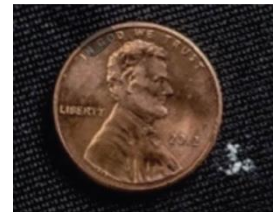
Did you know that fentanyl overdose deaths are on the rise in San Joaquin County? Fentanyl is a synthetic opioid that is up to 50 times stronger than heroin and 100 times stronger than morphine. Fentanyl-laced drugs and fake prescription pills containing fentanyl are available online and in our communities. People often **don't know** that they are taking fentanyl or how much fentanyl a drug contains. Even in small doses, fentanyl can be deadly.



Too many San Joaquin County residents, including teens, have suffered from overdoses of fentanyl or other synthetic opioids. As part of a collaboration of education, law enforcement, public health, and other organizations, we are coming together to say that **enough is enough**. We need your help to keep youth safe from this dangerous drug. You can help by getting informed and **talking to your student about the dangers of fentanyl and drug use**.



- Just a few grains of fentanyl can be a lethal dose.
- Prescription fentanyl is a powerful medical synthetic opioid prescribed in carefully monitored dosage for extreme pain or end-of-life care.
- Counterfeit pills, obtained on the street or online, can contain deadly doses of fentanyl. They are made to resemble other prescription medications, such as OxyContin, Percocet, Vicodin, Xanax, or Adderall. They are available to anyone with a smartphone.
- In San Joaquin County, fentanyl-related overdose deaths among teens ages 15 to 19 increased by 300% between early 2020 and the first half of 2021. This age group has the second-highest rate of emergency department visits for fentanyl-related overdoses when compared to all other age groups, according to the most-recent data available.
- Providing drugs causing a fatal overdose may result in criminal prosecution.
- Signs of a fentanyl overdose include difficulty waking up, slowed breathing, confusion, and blue or pale lips and fingernails.
- If you think someone is overdosing, call 911 immediately. (Under state law, a person overdosing and the person calling for help are protected from legal trouble.) If available, administer Naloxone, a life-saving medication to reverse the effects of opioid overdose. It is available free to the public at [San Joaquin County Public Health Services](https://www.sjcopioidsafety.org).



**Fatal dose of fentanyl.**



The lethal potency of fentanyl and its easy availability increases the already risky behavior of recreational drug use. There is no such thing as a safe street drug, and it is dangerous to misuse prescription drugs. Be aware. Be informed. Be safe. Learn more about opioid use, where to get help, and the Fentanyl is Forever awareness campaign at [www.SJCopioidsafety.org](https://www.SJCopioidsafety.org).



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