



Jefferson School

Home of the Wildcats

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Dear Jefferson Families,

With Thanksgiving next week, it reminds me of how thankful we are to have supportive families and community. Our children are fortunate to attend an amazing school, one that focuses on academics and their well-being. Jefferson's staff cares so much for our students, are positive role models, and I am thankful and blessed to work with them each and every day.

Our students hear words of wisdom from me every morning. They will hear this one before Thanksgiving break. It's one for all of us to reflect and think about. (from Project Wisdom)

As we draw closer to the Thanksgiving break, it's important that we think about the spirit behind the holiday. After all, Thanksgiving Day is just that - a day to give thanks. Charles Dickens said it this way: "Think about your present blessings - of which you have many - not on your past bad luck, of which all of us have some."

Between now and Thanksgiving, set aside thoughts about everything that is wrong in your world and focus instead on what's good and right. Be especially grateful for the blessing of receiving an education - a blessing millions of children around the globe will never receive.

I wish you all fulfilled Thanksgiving with your friends and family. Take this time to unplug, cherish the time with loved ones, and count your blessings.

Our annual Turkey Trot is this Thursday from 2:00-3:00 on the field. Students in each grade level will compete for a turkey. Come out and join the fun. A huge shout out to MJPFPA for donating the turkeys for this exciting event. Again, we truly appreciate your continued support. Please read the Jefferson Times on a weekly basis and visit our website at <https://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com/jefferson>.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Wooten

Trimester 2 Awards Assemblies

Tuesday, November 19, 2019

5th/6th grade @ 8:30am

7th/8th grade @ 10:00am



2019 CHIP's for Kids Toy Drive

You can help bring cheer to kids in need by donating new, unwrapped toys at any CHP office, or one of our sponsor locations now through December 11th.



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MealTime Just Got Easier!

Make Deposits online*

Check your students account balance online**

You can still deposit cash and checks through your school site clerks

Welcome! Jefferson School District has chosen MealTime Online to provide the opportunity for you to make credit card deposits into your student's cafeteria account or view your student's purchase history via the internet.

To Use MealTime Online:

Visit Jefferson School District web site <https://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com/> and locate the link to the Food Services department. Find the link to Meal Time or go directly to: <http://www.mymealtime.com/> .

Step 1: Create a MealTime Online profile. Click on the "Create new profile" link and enter a Username and Password that you will use to login to MealTime Online. The Username and Password must be at least 6 characters. For example, Username: jsmith Password: pty845.

Step 2: Add your student. Login to your MealTime Online account (using the Username and Password that you created in Step 1), click on Meal Account Deposits then click the "Add New Student" link and add your student by entering their first name and student ID number. You can find your students ID number through your Aeries Portal.

Step 3: Make a Deposit. Click on the "Make Deposit" link to make a deposit into a school account. **There is a transaction fee for making deposits.** Click on the "View Details" link next to your student's name to view their cafeteria account balance and purchase history.

Note:

Online Deposits are now processed every 5 minutes!!

**Small charge from MealTime*

KIMBALL HIGH SCHOOL INCOMING FRESHMAN PARENT NIGHT & PROGRAMS FAIR



DECEMBER 5, 2019
AT 6PM

Kimball High School Cafe
& Athletic Complex

Don't miss out on this great opportunity to understand more about your student's future. Learn about our programs and classes at KHS. All incoming freshman parents and students are welcome.

- ✓ REGISTRATION PROCESS
- ✓ CLASS SCHEDULING
- ✓ GRAD & COLLEGE REQUIREMENTS
- ✓ EXPLORE CLASSES & CLUBS
- ✓ AVID & MEDICAL ACADEMY



SHOW YOUR LOVE

Create a Yearbook Ad

Don't miss this opportunity to congratulate your graduating senior and express your love.

Go to yearbookordercenter.com to create an ad honoring your child.

AD INFORMATION

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Ad size and formatting options differ based on school choices.

To the Parents/Guardians of 8th Grade Students, Class of 2020,

At Back to School night in August, there was an 8th grade graduation meeting. At this meeting parents signed up for various graduation committees and it was decided that all parents would make a \$100.00 donation to cover the expenses of Graduation instead of fundraising. This donation is nonrefundable. Your donation is due to the Jefferson School office by **November 15, 2019**. The donation will cover Great America, Ice Cream Social, Graduation Ceremony, Graduation Dance, and rental of the graduation gown. In the beginning of May the 8th grade students take part in the exit interview process. You will be getting a date and time that your child will interview in the middle of April. Please try and make arrangements to be at the interview with your child, it is quite impressive.

Below you will find a schedule of events in the order that they occur and committee chairperson. Their contact information is included. If you would still like to volunteer, please contact that chairperson. Chairperson also has sign-up sheets from the graduation meeting.

HONORS NIGHT
WEDNESDAY, MAY 20th
6:30 – 8:00 PM
Jefferson School Gym

Honors Night is an evening of awards. Each 8th grade teacher presents traditional academic and extracurricular awards. All students and parents are encouraged to attend this event. Invitations will be sent to the students receiving awards.
"BEST DRESS ATTIRE" is required.

GREAT AMERICA – Alexis Imperial Bobis
619-261-8995, alexis.imperial@gmail.com
FRIDAY, MAY 22nd
7:00am – 9:00 PM
Santa Clara

Permission Slips will be sent home with additional information.

School dress code applies:
NO tank tops
NO short shorts
NO bathing suits

ICE CREAM SOCIAL – Sandy Ruiz
209-481-4439, alnsandyruiz@icloud.com,
THURSDAY, MAY 21st
1:30 – 3:00 PM
Jefferson School Cafeteria

The Ice Cream Social is a very special Jefferson Tradition. The 7th and 8th grade students will sit together and socialize about their experiences at Jefferson School. "NICE SCHOOL CLOTHES" are required.

GRADUATION CEREMONY–
Alexis Imperial Bobis
619-261-8995, alexis.imperial@gmail.com
WEDNESDAY, May 27th
7:30 – 8:30 PM
Jefferson School Gym

The BIG Event!!! Each family will receive 6 tickets.
Gowns will be worn.
"BEST DRESS ATTIRE" is required.

DANCE – Angela Hewey
925-980-0453, ahewey@jsdtracy.com
Co-chair- Catherine Sena
209-679-0029, senafamily@comcast.net
WEDNESDAY, May 27th
9:00 PM – MIDNIGHT

The Graduation Dance starts following the Graduation Ceremony. There will be time between the Ceremony and the Dance to take pictures and visit. Only the Graduates, chaperones and teachers are invited to the dance! There will be no in and out privileges.
"BEST DRESS ATTIRE" is required.

“BEST DRESS ATTIRE” RECOMMENDATIONS:

- **Dressy clothes**
- **No shorts, miniskirts, strapless, backless, crop tops, halter top or midriff exposed dresses. Undergarments MUST be worn and not visible**
- **Dress shoes – low to medium heel, no flip flops**
- **If you have any questions regarding your graduation outfit, please see Mrs. Beith in the office.**
- **Dressy sport clothes or suits/sports jacket**
- **Long pants, preferably slacks.**
- **Shirts with collar – ties optional**
- **No jeans or shorts**
- **No sandals or flip flops**
- **No tuxedos**
- **NO LIMOS**

Students must remain in good behavioral standing in order to attend 8th grade activities. Suspensions will result in the loss of activities. If your child is suspended and misses an activity, donations will not be refunded. Please see progressive discipline below:

1st suspension = Loss of 1 activity.

2nd suspension = Loss of 2 activities.

3rd suspension = Loss of 3 activities.

(Activities include Ice Cream Social, Great America, Graduation Dance and Graduation)

I would like to take this time to let you in on another Jefferson Tradition. Every year the 8th grade parents and students make a “collage”. The students will be given a shaped poster board through their core class that you will plaster with pictures of your graduate!! These collages are great fun! A more detailed letter will accompany the poster board! What you can do now is start looking through pictures!!! The point of the collage is to show how your child has grown over the years!! Have fun.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact the office, 209-835-3053.

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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 student's immediate family member who is an active duty member of the uniformed services.
- Participation in religious exercise

Please call the school at 209-833-9300 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
- Childcare by the student at home
- Car Trouble
- Vacation
- Family moving from one home to another
- Cutting school

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)