

Jefferson School

Home of the Wildcats

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August 18, 2019

Dear Jefferson Families,

Our first full week of school was a success!! The students are ready for the upcoming school year and we can't wait to see all they will accomplish.

This past week I was able to go to each classroom and talk with the students. We discussed handbook items but more importantly our Jefferson Creed and emphasis this year on character education. We believe in our Creed: Be Responsible, Do Your Best Each Day, Think Before You Speak, Put Others First, and Avoid Conflict. Students are recognized on a daily basis for following the Jefferson Creed and are given Creed Tickets for going above and beyond. Every Monday 5 students per grade level are drawn from the raffle of tickets and earn prizes for their efforts. Furthermore, we are implementing a character education program called Second Step. Every child will engage in weekly lessons regarding skills for learning, empathy, emotional management and problem solving. Please talk with your children about Jefferson Creed and making every day count.

Thank you to all of the families that attended our Back to School Night. If you were unable to attend, please contact your child's teacher to receive the information and introduce yourself.

Drop Off and Pick Up went quite well, however please read the information below to ensure all cars are following our procedures.

Morning Drop Off Procedures

The morning drop off went smoothly this week. Please remember that you may use the back drop off loop located on Chrisman Road.

Afternoon Pick Up Procedures

It is normal for traffic to be congested at the beginning of the school year, but it gets better after the first week or so. Please make sure you are following our procedures to ensure the safety of our children and allow for the traffic to run as smoothly as possible. We do not want students entering cars that are parked on either Chrisman Road or Linne Road. Please utilize the parking spaces in the lots and your child can use the cross walk and to get to your car.

Below are some options to help streamline traffic in the front lot for afternoon pick up.

- Remind your child to leave class and immediately walk to the parking lots for pickup.
- Park in the front or back lot and your child can use the cross walk to get to your car.

- Arrive 5 minutes after dismissal. This will allow time for the lot to clear.
- If possible, utilize carpooling.
- Bussing is available. Please contact our Transportation Director at (209) 835-3968 if you are interested in this option or have further questions.

Again, we truly appreciate your patience and support. Please continue to read the Jefferson Times on a weekly basis and visit our website at <https://www.jeffersonschooldistrict.com/jefferson>.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Wooten, Principal



MJPFA MEETING

Come and see what the MJPFA is all about!

Thursday, Aug. 22nd

**2:15-3:00pm, Edgar Thoming Park
(across from Monticello School)**

Who we are : The Monticello - Jefferson Parent Faculty Association- or in other words... parents, grandparents and guardians just like you!

What we do : Plan memorable fundraising events and activities for our kids and families to enjoy, in order to make sure our teachers and staff have the classroom resources and support they need.

What you do: Just come, listen and enjoy! Find out the many big and small ways you can help support our students and our school. We have lots of fun events planned, but new ideas and input are always welcome! And yes, there will be milk and cookies! Kids are welcome.

Can't attend but want to stay involved?

Follow us on Facebook and Instagram at [monticellojeffersonmjpf](#)





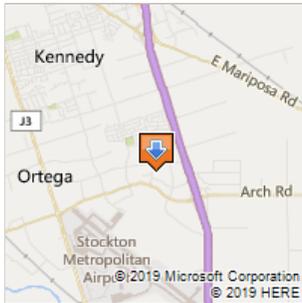
When

Thursday, September 19, 2019 from 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM PDT

[Add to Calendar](#)

Where

Wentworth Education Center/ Kingston Room
2707 Transworld Dr
Stockton, CA 95206



[Driving Directions](#)

Contact

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21st Century Mathematics for Parents (TK-12)

The California Mathematics Standards prepare students to do real math in the real world. Many **new teaching methods are very different from the way most parents learned math**, leading to frustration and confusion as parents find themselves unable to help with homework or explain difficult concepts. It is extremely important to create a **partnership between educators and parents** involving the teaching and learning of math. This 3 hour session will help you:

- Learn **why the New Standards were developed** and how you, as parents can **support your child** in order to ensure that they **thrive in the 21st Century**.
- Understand why making the **shift is crucial for your child's success**
- **Experience math learning** using the new teaching methods
- Learn the **resources** available to understand the shifts
- **Communicate** more effectively with your child's teacher
- **explore the big ideas** behind the new 21st Century math standards

These standards were designed to **improve college-and career-readiness, and to prepare U.S. students to be more competitive on an international stage when it's time to enter the workforce**. This session shows you how the standards were created, and how they've **evolved over time to help ensure your child's future success**. **Math skills are critical to real-world success**, and the new standards reflect that reality in scope and rigorousness. This 3 hour session will help you help your **child succeed**.

➔ **No cost for this training.**

[Register Now!](#)



August 19, 2019

Dear Parents/Guardians,

In order to provide a safe, secure and healthy environment for your child, Jefferson School updates its School Safety Plan each year. In addition to updating our written plan (which includes procedures for fire drills, earthquake drills, lockdown drills, etc.), Jefferson School's staff makes sure that each classroom is equipped with a first aid kit and a copy of emergency procedures.

The Jefferson School Crisis Response team will operate the evacuation site to ensure a safe and orderly pick-up/release of students. **When picking up a student, parents/guardians (or person on emergency card) must bring a photo I.D.** Without verification, staff will not release any student.

Jefferson School's onsite evacuation/reunification area: Cafeteria

**Jefferson's secondary off site evacuation/reunification site: Dynatect
Address: 8830 W. Linne Road, Tracy CA 95304**

If the school is involved in a lock-down situation, the secondary evacuation site is the designated meeting area where parents/guardians should wait for information and the release of their student into their care. School and District personnel will be on site at the evacuation center to provide parents with information about the status and safety of their student(s). **DO NOT** go directly to the school in the event of a lock-down or evacuation. Parents/guardians can also listen to local media for the updates on the emergency situation, but your best source of up-to-date information will be at the evacuation site.

If you have further questions about Jefferson School's safety plan, please call the office at 209-835-3053.

Sincerely,
Alyssa Wooten, Principal

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THE ROAD TO HIGHER EDUCATION

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)