



Jefferson School

Home of the Wildcats

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Dear Jefferson Families,

With the end of 2019 arriving soon, I'd like to thank each of you for your continued support for our students and our school. Here are a few words from our adopted character education program (Project Wisdom) that our students will hear in the announcements this coming week.

We've talked many times before about Albert Schweitzer and what a great humanitarian he was. Here's another pearl of wisdom from this great man: *You must give some time to your fellow human beings, even if it's a little thing, do something for others – something for which you get no pay but the privilege of doing it.* This winter break, look for ways to serve others. Volunteer at a community hospital or soup kitchen. Do something special around the house for your mom or dad or caregiver. Help an elderly neighbor with a chore. When we give time and serve one another, everyone wins and the world's a better place. Remember Albert Schweitzer and give some of your free time to others.

As we move forward into the holidays, let's remember how fortunate we are to have such a great school, supportive families and community, and amazing and kind students.

Another reminder that ELAC is this Monday at 8:30am at the park across from Monticello. ELAC (English Language Advisory Committee) is an opportunity for parents to give advice and assist the school in the decision making process concerning programs for Limited English Proficient students. We want to hear from you, so please join us if you are available.

Don't forget our Winter Program is Thursday, December 19th at 5:30 in the Jefferson Gymnasium. Students have already begun practicing and are getting ready for this special event. Please talk to your child about the performances and help them practice at home. In respect to all of the performers, and for safety reasons, all students will be dismissed to their families at the end of the program. No student will be able to be picked up prior to the conclusion of the Winter Program.

Take these next couple of weeks to enjoy your family and friends. We look forward to seeing you back at school on Monday, January 6th. 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



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YEARBOOKS

Still on sale!

Order your yearbook directly online. Yearbooks can be ordered through December 31, 2019. Yearbooks will be delivered to school and distributed to during the last two weeks of school.

www.yearbookordercenter.com

Order Number 6832

Spirit Days, Dances & Rallies

2019-2020

8/16/2019	Green & Gold
8/30/2019	Plaid
9/13/2019	Green & Gold
9/23/2019	College Week-Any College
9/24/2019	College Week-First Period Teacher's College
9/25/2019	College Week-Dress to Impress – for a future career or for an interview
9/26/2019	College Week-Mrs. Wooten's College, Fresno
9/27/2019	College Week-Adopted College: 5th-Cal Berkeley, 6th-UCLA, 7th-Stanford, 8th-USC College Rally
10/18/2020	Green & Gold for THS Homecoming
10/28/2019	Red Ribbon Week-Crazy Hair/Hat & Socks
10/29/2019	Red Ribbon Week-Denim
10/30/2019	Red Ribbon Week-Accessories
10/31/2019	Red Ribbon Week-Costume
11/1/2019	Red Ribbon Week-Sports
11/8/2019	Neon Glow in the Dark Dance
11/22/2019	Green & Gold
12/6/2019	Green & Gold
12/20/2019	Pajamas
1/17/2020	Food Spirit Food Rally
1/31/2020	Green & Gold
2/7/2020	Semi-Formal Masquerade Dance
2/14/2020	Pink & Red
2/28/2020	Green and Gold
3/5/2020	Throwback Thursday
3/20/2020	EXTREME Green & Gold Wildcat Rally
4/3/20	Opposites
4/24/20	Green & Gold
5/1/20	Flip Flops & Shades Beach Dance
5/15/20	Green & Gold

Dress Code



JEFFERSON SCHOOL DISTRICT DRESS CODE GUIDELINES

ACCEPTABLE TOPS



NOT ACCEPTABLE TOPS



ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



NOT ACCEPTABLE BOTTOMS



ACCEPTABLE SHOES



NOT ACCEPTABLE SHOES





Winter Wonderland Using LEGO® Winter Break Workshop

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Saturday 12/16
Time: 9am-12pm
Location: Tracy Transit Station, room 104
Ages: 5-10
Price: \$35.00



Register online at www.tracyartsandrec.com or call (209) 831-6202 or in person at City Hall – Parks & Recreation Desk, 333 Civic Center Plaza, Tracy, CA 95376

Learn more at www.play-well.org

Questions? Contact Alameda County Area Manager, Lauren Yee (Lauren@play-well.org, 510-227-9378)

ILLNESS AND SCHOOL MEMO

I NEED TO STAY HOME IF						
I HAVE A FEVER	I AM VOMITING	I HAVE DIARRHEA	I HAVE A RASH	I HAVE HEAD LICE	I HAVE AN EYE INFECTION	I HAVE BEEN IN THE HOSPITAL
						
Oral temperature of 100°F or higher.	Within the past 24 hours.	Within the past 24 hours.	Body rash with itching or fever.	Itchy head, active head lice.	Redness, itching and/or “crusty” drainage from eye.	Hospital stay and/or ER visit.

I AM READY TO GO BACK TO SCHOOL WHEN I AM...						
Fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (i.e. Tylenol, Motrin).	Free from vomiting for at least 2 solid meals.	Free from diarrhea for at least 24 hours.	*Free from rash, itching, or fever. Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school.*	Treated with appropriate lice treatment at home and proof is provided to nurse.	*Evaluated by my doctor and have note to return to school.*	*Released by my medical provider to return to school.*

***To return to school, a doctor’s note must be provided to the school nurse stating the date of return.**

STEPS TO REDUCE ILLNESS						
Drink plenty of water , eat a healthy variety of foods , and get at least 8 hours of sleep every night.	Get a flu shot.	Wash hands frequently using soap and water for at least 20 seconds.	Cover coughs and sneezes with tissues or by coughing into the elbow.	Keep children at home if they are sick. Separate sick family members from others.	Ensure parent emergency contact information is correct.	Call your doctor for: <i>high fever, prolonged illness, respiratory problems, or other severe symptoms.</i>

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)

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***