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School News

What's Happening at Jackson County Early College



HOUSE Enrichment Trips

JCEC students bond over various adventures!

Nov. 8, students in each house took part in different experiences in order to foster

team-building and relationships. Freshman house students like Michael [*pictured above*] took on a high ropes course at Asheville Treetops Adventure Park. Sophomore house attended a Mystery Dinner. Our Junior house attempted to find their way out of an escape room at 828Escape and Senior house spent the day bouncing around the trampoline park at Top Jump! Photos of each house can be found on our Instagram page @ <u>icec news</u>

Some Highlights of this Semester







Student Account Fundraisers

* Can be used for trips & other school expenses (e.g. pictures, yearbook, cap & gown)



PTO Fundraisers * Funds are used for school activities & teacher appreciation



doTERRA Essential Oil Student Fundraiser Nov. 12 - Dec. 2 Items to be distributed Dec. 16

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"From the PTO"

- We are excited for this year. Thank you for your patience as we get the PTO off the ground. Hopefully we will be in full force soon especially with the newsletter being released.
- We hope that the newsletter will answer all of the questions you may have. But if you have more please let us know via email to Wende Goode at wentv96@hotmail.com.
- The purpose of the JCEC PTO is to provide support & services to the students and teachers. We will raise money for activities such as teacher appreciations, dances, house cup games & prizes. We will coordinate fundraisers both to benefit the students and the PTO.
- The PTO officers will contact volunteers for activities throughout the year. Thank you to all that have already volunteered. If you didn't get a chance to sign up or if you signed up but haven't received a text message from one of us please text Wende Goode at 828-246-2256.
- Lastly, if you have any suggestions please don't hesitate to email Wende Goode.





Talent Show *PTO Fundraiser* Auditions are March 4th and 5th during lunch. The event will be on March 19th in Myers Auditorium



Yankee Candles PTO Fundraiser Nov. 12 - Dec. 2.



Neighborhood Edmodo

Join Neighborhood in Edmodo by following this link and using zddy5b as the code: <u>http://edmodo-</u> <u>www.edmodo.com</u>/. Posted on Edmodo are all of JCEC's important announcements. Don't miss out!



PowerSchool You can use a PowerSchool Parent Portal to view your children's grades at any time! Ask for login information at the front desk.

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

The 2019-2020 school year has gotten off to a great start. The principles of education, leadership, service, and community continue to be the focal point of JCEC. We are so proud of all the hard work our students put in during our fall service day. Students served at Heritage Pre-school, Jackson County Center on Aging, the town of Dillsboro, Ochre Hill Clothes Closet, Poteet Park in Sylva, SCC Trail, and the JCEC shed and book-room. We are already looking forward to our spring service day.

Our cultural trip to the Mountain State Fair in September was a great experience for all students. Each HOUSE group enjoyed a different team building experience this fall as well. Activities ranged from a mystery dinner party and an escape room experience to a ropes course and trampoline park. JCEC Spirit week culminated with our fall decades dance. Students and Staff went all out in dressing for their chosen time period.

Sophomores and Juniors had an opportunity to tour 3 different colleges in the Raleigh area-NC State, UNC-Greensboro, and Chapel Hill and we are already planning college visit day trips for multiple grade levels this Spring to help students with their future college plans.

Seniors have been working hard with the support of their HOUSE teacher and our new counselor, Ms. Hallman to fill out college applications, scholarship applications, FAFSA, and residency determination requirements. We are very pleased that several students have already received acceptance letters from their college of choice.

HOUSE groups have been busy each week learning anything from stress management to establishing good credit, preparing for the ACT, and welcoming community guest speakers to learn a variety of life skills.

It has been a busy semester at JCEC and it is hard to believe that it is almost complete. End of Course testing for high school classes will begin on Tuesday, December 17th and end on Thursday, December 19th, weather permitting. Testing schedules have been emailed to students and posted on Neighborhood Edmodo.

As we close out first semester, we look forward to all of the new and exciting opportunities that await our students during the Spring 2020 semester.

Upcoming Events:

There are so many things going on here at Jackson County Early college, so here are just a few events that we think would definitely be worth mentioning! On December 3rd-5th the ICEC Science Fair will take place, giving our students the chance to showcase their talents. Also, on December 5th is our Student Lead Conference from 6:00 to 7:30. This will give students and parents the chance to discuss grades and their overall performance this semester and will take place in the ICEC building. The end of the semester is drawing near! On December 13th SCC books are to be returned between 9:30 and 11:00 or between 12:30 and 1:45; additionally, ICEC devices must be returned at 2:30 for testing. Students should check the posted testing schedule, as there will be testing taking place December 17th-19th. December 17th will be the last day for SCC classes, and December 20th will be the last day for ICEC classes before Winter Break. Students will return to school and JCEC classes will begin on January 6th. The very next day (January 7th) there will be an opportunity for Juniors to attend ACT Bootcamp, with lunch and snacks provided. January 8th and 9th are the days for SCC book pickup between 9:30 and 11:00 or between 12:30 and 1:45. SCC classes will begin on January 13th. Finally, ACT Testing for all Juniors will be on February 25th from 8:00 to 1:30; however, if inclement weather disturbs that schedule, testing will then take place February 27th.



Moodle Parents can regularly ask their children to pull up their college grades on Moodle!



HOUSE Information HOUSE teachers use either Edmodo, Canvas, or Remind 101 to share important information with their students. Students can log on and share this information with parents upon request.



JCEC Website

Visit our JCEC website at <u>www.jcpsnc.org/jcec</u> to find out what support resources are available, as well as college enrollment and scholarship information by clicking Student Life, then Student Services! Parents can also fill out a form to meet with their student's high school teacher, college liaison, or guidance counselor!