# JSE Weekly Newsletter

September 28 - October 2

## Update from Mrs. Easterly

Dear JSE Fox family,

It is hard to believe that we are entering our ninth week of school! We began this school year in unprecedented circumstances and amidst uncertainty about what our school year might hold. Some of our students are digital learners, our staff members wear face coverings during the school day, we increased and strengthened our cleaning practices, and many students wear face coverings during the school day. Despite all of these changes to our normal practices, it has been a fantastic start to the year! Teachers are reaching and teaching students, and students are learning and growing!

As we approach our first long break of the school year, I want to extend a tremendous thank you to all of our students, families, the JSE PTO, and the JSE faculty and staff for your hard work and dedication. I appreciate the commitment of the entire JSE family in working together and I am honored (and so very proud) to serve as your principal! I wish everyone a safe and restful break.

Together - we can, we are, and we will!

All my best,

Mrs. Brandee Easterly #JSE♥Strong



## Change to Fall Break Calendar

Based on our 2020-2021 academic calendar, students were originally scheduled to return from fall break on October 14. To accommodate a much needed professional development day, **all students will now return to school on Thursday, October 15.** This gives students an additional day for their break and gives teachers a day to work on greater collaboration and instructional strategies. Using one Inclement Weather Day in the school calendar allows the district to provide the added professional development day. The district will still have seven inclement weather days banked for the winter season to be used as needed. NOTE: Adventure club will be available on the 14th. See below for details about signing up for Adventure Club for these dates.

#### Adventure Club News

School will be closed from October 5th - October 14th for Fall Break as well as professional development days for our teachers. Students enrolled in Adventure Club may sign up to attend on these dates. Sign ups will run from now through September 25th. Forms will be available outside of the Adventure Club entrance.

Please e-mail <u>misty.cable@maryville-schools.org</u> or call 865-681-8210 if you have any Adventure Club related questions.

#### JSE APPAREL SALE!

The JSE PTO will be sponsoring an apparel store offering a variety of t-shirts and masks. Below are a few of the options. Click on the link below to see the full selection! **Orders must be placed by September 30th.** Orders will be distributed to the student associated with the order at school. Let's all show our JSE spirit!

#### https://jseapparel2020.itemorder.com/sale







### **Bus Riders**

On occasion, students will have friends that ride the bus home with them. In this situation, the following must occur:



- Two notes are required. Both the regular bus rider and the guest need to have written notes from their parents.
- The regular bus rider note needs to acknowledge the parent or guardian is allowing the guest to ride the bus home with his/her child.
- The guest rider note needs to acknowledge the parent or guardian is allowing his/her child to ride the bus home with the regular bus rider.
- The teacher or TA will take the notes to the office to be approved before sending students on the alternate bus.

Please keep in mind, that if a bus is determined to be at capacity, then no guest rider will be approved to ride the bus home with the everyday rider. In those circumstances, the parent of the guest rider will

arrangements. If you have questions or need clarification about the JSE Bus Rider Policy, please reach out to Brian Tinker, JSE Assistant Principal.

## Update from Office Hall - One Way Traffic

Parents,

We know traffic can get backed up on Sequoyah in the afternoons during pickup. Lately, there have been too many instances of parents coming into the wrong entrance. Please understand this entrance to the school is clearly marked as one way. Vehicles entering improperly can be cited. This a safety issue for all of us. We want to ensure everyone gets their children in a safe, orderly manner.



Thank you.

-Officer Hall

**15-104.** One-way streets. On any street for one-way traffic with posted signs indicating the authorized direction of travel at all intersections offering access thereto, no person shall operate any vehicle except in the indicated direction. (1985 Code, § 9-109)

## No Pets Allowed on Campus

As a reminder, Maryville City and MCS have a strict No Pets on Campus policy. For the safety of our children and staff, please do not bring your dog, or other pets, to school at drop off or pick up.



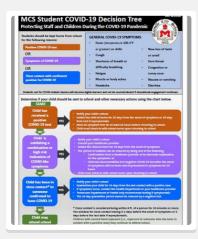
## Changes to Instructional Method

The next opportunity to change your student's method of instruction (from digital to traditional, or vice versa) will be on September 30th, with the new instructional option beginning after fall break on October 14th.

Once again, we remind you that families are limited to changing instructional options to **one switch for the entire school year**.

If you wish to change at that time, please call the office at 865-983-8551 by noon on September 30th.

Below are the most recent documents regarding Covid from the MCS district.





Upcoming Color Days And Menus					
Monday September 28	Tuesday September 29	Wednesday September 30	Thursday October 1	Friday October 2	
Purple	Silver	Red	Orange	Yellow	
Muffin, Yogurt	Sausage Biscuit, Gravy	Cereal Bar & Yogurt	Cereal Breakfast Kit	Chicken Biscuit	
Hamburger, Cheese, Bun, Chips, Carrots, Ranch, Let/Tom/Pickle OR Ham & Cheese Sandwich	Wild Mikes Cheesy Bites, Marinara Sauce, Green Beans OR PB & Jelly Uncrustable	Chicken Patty, Bun, Waffle Fries, California Blend Vegetables, Let/Tom/Pickle OR Turkey & Cheese Sandwich	Breakfast for Lunch Biscuits, Gravy, Eggs, Sausage, Tri Taters, Orange Juice OR PB & Jelly Uncrustable Meal	Cheese Pizza Corn Carrots OR Cheese Quesadilla, Corn, Carrots, Salsa, Sour Cream	
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Upcoming Events			
October 5 - 9	No School - Fall Break		
October 12	No School – Intervention and Enrichment		
October 13	No School – Professional Development		
October 14	No School – Professional Development		
October 23	Grade Cards Go Home		



## John Sevier Elementary School

2001 Sequoyah Ave. Maryville, TN 37804 Phone: 865-983-8551 Fax: 865-977-0725 Brandee Easterly, Principal Brian Tinker, Assistant Principal School Start Time: 7:50 a.m. School Dismissal: 2:50 p.m.

## Ways to Help Your School:









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