



Jaguar Journal

S.Y. JACKSON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL



UPCOMING EVENTS



SAT. AUG. 26TH 5-7 PM

BACK TO SCHOOL BASH



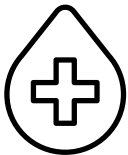
WED. AUG. 30TH DURING SCHOOL

PICTURE DAY



THURS. AUG. 31ST 7PM

PTA MEETING ON ZOOM



TUES. SEPT. 12TH 2-5:30PM

BLOOD DRIVE



FRI. SEPT. 29TH DURING SCHOOL

JOG-A-THON



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AUGUST-SEPTEMBER 2023

NEWSLETTER.SYJ@GMAIL.COM

A Message from the Principal

PRINCIPAL JACK VERMILLION

I want to start by welcoming all of the new families that are at our school this year. When you come to us, you become part of the SY Family. I have been here for 22 years as the principal, but was a parent at the school before that. My boys are now 33 and 30. My youngest was in 4th grade when I got to the school. I always felt that SY Jackson was a special place and I was excited to have an opportunity to be part of the school as the principal. It is my home away from home and I really enjoy every day that I get to be here with the students, staff, and parents. If you are new, I hope that you have found it to be a welcoming environment and that you will be actively involved in the school. We have a lot of parent volunteers at the school and a strong PTA. We also try to do a monthly activity to bring the community together. We welcome you to come and be actively involved.

The school motto is “One Team, One Goal: Student Success”. We believe that the entire staff is working together to provide a great education for your children. We also need the parents to be part of our team. It takes all of us to provide the best possible education for our students. We want them to be successful and well prepared as they leave our school. Please feel free to contact the teacher or other staff members if you have questions or concerns. We all need to work together and make this a wonderful place for children.

I am looking forward to another great year ahead.

Jack



**ONE TEAM
ONE GOAL:
STUDENT
SUCCESS**

SYJ PTA

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Thanks to our amazing volunteers and staff for heading up these important SYJ PTA programs and partnerships! If you are interested in volunteering or learning more about these programs, we're happy to connect.

PTA membership is just \$6 Join here, or scan QR code:

<https://my.cheddarup.com/c/sy-jackson-elementary-school>



KRISTIN TAYLOR SYJ.PRESIDENT@GMAIL.COM		PTA MEETINGS THURS. 7PM ON ZOOM		
PAULINE BACA	SYJACKSON.VP@GMAIL.COM	AUG 31	SEPT 14	OCT 26
LAUREN MOORE	SYJ.TREASURER@GMAIL.COM	NOV 30	JAN 18	FEB 29
THAO LE	SYJ.SECRETARY@GMAIL.COM	MAR 21	APR 25	MAY 23

S.T.E.A.M. (Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math Programs)

Art from the Heart: DeeAnna Cherry, Sarah Krzyzanowski

Gifted Program: Brenda McCallon, Laura Smith, SYJ Teachers

Sandia Family Science Night: Dawn Novak

Sandia Family Math Night: *Needs a Coordinator*

Science & Engineering Fair: Kimberly Schoon, Christina Cappel, SYJ Teacher

S.T.E.A.M. Lab for all classes: Lisa Burrell, SYJ Teacher

Technology Club & Wampler Math: Tim Koehler

Literacy Programs

Library Media, Book Fairs: Sonja Bailey, SYJ Librarian

Our School, Our Book: Kassandra Slosman

Jr. Jaguars Storytime: Lauren Moore

Lexia, Heggerty, professional development: Bella Chandler, SYJ Teacher

Teacher Classroom Reimbursements: Lauren Moore, Karen Mayo, SYJ Teacher



Family Events

Back to School Bash Saturday, August 26th 5-7PM SYJ PTA Board
 Jog-a-thon Friday, September 29th during school Pauline Baca
 Balloons & Burritos Friday, October 6th before school Amy Lavender
 Donuts with a Grown-up SYJ PTA Board
 Isotopes & NM United Games Amanda Morgan
 Sock Hop Pauline Baca
 5th Grade Graduation

Service & Support

Attendance: Megan Evans
 Apparel Sales: Kiva Kinney
 Birthday Board: Brittany Cavit, Kassandra Slosman
 Blood Drive Tuesday, Sept. 12 2-5:30pm: Aubry Jones
 Campus Cleanup: Cub Scout Leader Erica Reed
 Clothing Closet: Yvonne Corcoran
 Field Trip Buses, Staff Lounge: Nicole Jones, SYJ Secretary
 Food Pantry: Kim Sabo, Channing Kelly
 Front Office Background Checks: Sharis Lyons, SYJ Clerk
 Giving Tree: Devon Edwards, Gretchen Hanks, SYJ Counselor
 Newsletter: Sarah Krzyzanowski
 Nurse: Lynne Thomas, Shayna Salvino
 PAWS for Success: Doreen Georgeson, SYJ Redirector
 Room Parents: Aubry Jones
 School Supply Sales: Crystal Duquette
 Student Recognition: Brittany Anderson
 Teacher Appreciation: Virginia Kesler
 Yearbook: Kristin Taylor, Marivel Baca



SEPT 29

**Our ONE AND ONLY Fundraiser for SY Jackson Elementary school takes place on
Friday, September 29th**

**The Jog-a-Thon is an activity that everyone at SY Jackson gets to participate in!
This event is to help raise money for the school but to also get the children up and moving!**

Each child will get a custom-made wristband and a t-shirt they will wear on the date of the event. The 5th graders submit designs for the shirts, and one is chosen by the staff to go on the tees. Students run on the grassy field for 30 minutes for each grade level to see how many laps the children can run. The top runners of each grade will get a special pizza party with Mr. Vermillion as well as a necklace. The top earners from the Jog-A-Thon will have the opportunity to choose a prize. Examples of prizes are Scooters, Bikes, tablets, Blocks, family passes, and so many more exciting prizes. Also, Mr. Vermillion will be getting a pie to the face or several pies to the face, depending on the amount of money we raise.

For every 10,000 dollars we raise, Mr. Vermillion will get ONE pie to the face. We will be using a system called Pledge Star, which gives an electronic link that you can text message, email, or even share on social media with friends and family to donate to our amazing school! The class that sends the most emails gets a prize, so share far and wide! Keep checking the leader board to see how much your class has earned in donations--the winner gets a class party!

If you have a company or would like to donate towards prizes that would be greatly appreciated. Your company's name and contact information will go out in newsletters and be put on the SY Jackson Pledge star page. Dr. Fanning Orthodontics has been our generous sponsor for the SY Jackson Jog-A-Thon for many years now. If your child needs braces, this is the place to go: <https://www.fanningorthodontics.com>

**If you have any questions or would like to help,
please reach out to**

SYJackson.Jogathon@gmail.com

Thanks again, Pauline Baca



Picture Day *Día de Fotos*

IS COMING TO: LLEGA A:



207 Candelaria Rd NW
Albuquerque, NM 87107
(800) 657-2785
Se Habla Español

SY Jackson Elementary

on **Wednesday August 30th, 2023**

All students will be photographed and you will receive a proof to order in 1 week.

Todos los estudiantes serán fotografiados y recibirá una prueba para ordenar en 1 semana.

Background Choices

Opciones de Fondo

Plus more options online!

Más opciones disponibles en línea.

Bk01



Blue

Bk02



Falling Leaves

Bk03



Teal

Bk04



NMClouds

Bk05



Brick

Bk06



Gray

Specials

Especiales

THESE
PICTURE DAY
SPECIALS
MUST BE
SUBMITTED ON
PICTURE DAY
NO LATE ORDERS PLEASE

LOS PEDIDOS
DE ESTAS
ESPECIALES
DEBEN
ENTREGARSE
EL DÍA DE
LAS FOTOS
NO PEDIDOS ATRASADOS POR
FAVOR

See order form for details on these **Picture Day Specials!**
Ver formulario de pedido para más detalles en estas Especiales del Día de Fotos!

(1) Keytag
(1) Dogtag



(2) 3.5x5 Magnets



(1) 8x10
Inspiration



Back to School Bash

JOIN US FOR GAMES
HOT DOGS
AND FAMILY FUN

sponsored by SYJ PTA

SAT AUG 26TH @SYJ

5-7PM

SIGN UP TO HELP: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B084BADA2DA4F49-back#/>

BOOK LOVE IN THE LIBRARY

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Dear Parents of our Fabulous SY Jackson Jaguars,

My name is Sonja Bailey. I am your child's new librarian! I have been an APS elementary school librarian for many, many years. It is so very exciting to now be part of the SY Jackson community!

I am thrilled to support your child's love of reading and help him/her to continue on his/her journey of becoming an independent thinker, skillful researcher and ethical user of information.

When enjoying the library, your child will be selecting wonderful literature, enjoy listening to stories, learning, creating, singing, sharing opinions with each other and much, much more. I look forward to seeing your child's smiling face weekly.

It is my sincere hope that your child has been enjoying books during the summer break. I also hope that you and your child have had opportunities to hold conversations about the books. Discussing books sends a signal that reading is important. Like any conversation talking about books can happen anywhere and at any time!



Sonja

Teacher Librarian
SY Jackson Elementary
sonja.bailey@aps.edu
Please do not hesitate to reach out!



Time Spent Talking About Books

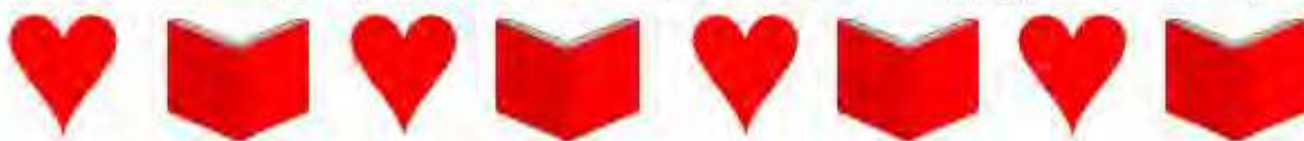
- *develops language skills;
- *provides opportunities for expressing opinions;
- *exposes children to different perspectives;
- *opens up the world for debating
- *allows time for delving into questions or feelings that may come up when hearing a book for the first time;
- *broadens students' overall experiences with any given book;
- *enhances students' appreciation for literature.

The Tell Me Questions offer an opportunity for you and your child to discuss his/her reading. There are many educational websites offering critical thinking questions to ask before, during and after reading.

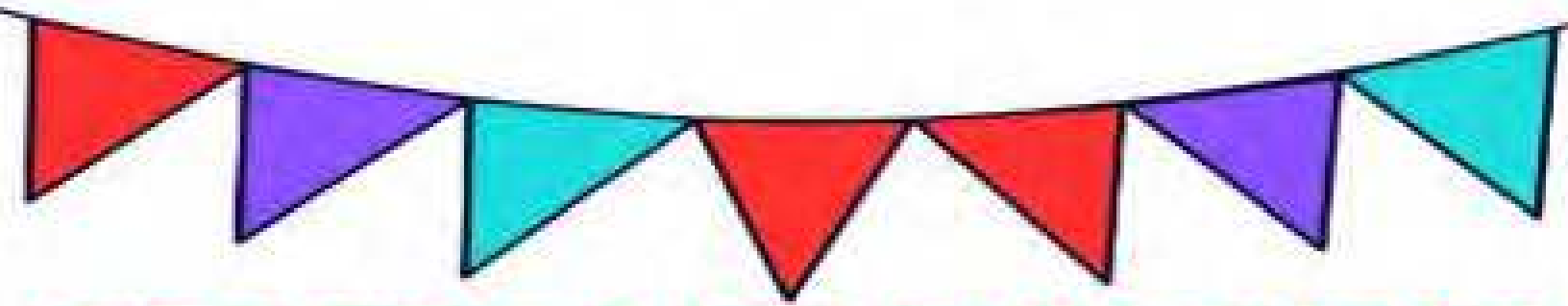
The questions below are a quick reference for you.

Asking these questions will help your child learn to think critically and deeply about, and help with a deep discussion about reading between him/her and you!

Ten "Tell Me" Questions to Get Your Child Talking About Books



1. Tell me what you liked best about this book and why...
2. Tell me what your favorite illustration in this book is and why...
3. Tell me about a favorite sentence or funny remembrance from this story and what made it special to you...
4. Tell me about the characters in this story...
5. Tell me something you have in common with or something that makes you different from one of the characters...
6. Tell me about the problem and solution of this story. Would you have solved the problem differently? Were you surprised by the author's solution to the story's problem?
7. Tell me what you would do if...(relate to the problem in the story)...
8. Tell me how you would feel if...(relate to a feeling in the story)...
9. Tell me about something similar that has happened to you...
10. Tell me something you might change in this story if you were the author...



CELEBRATE READING

OUR SCHOOL, OUR BOOK

KASSANDRA SLOSMAN,
OSOB PTA COMMITTEE CHAIR

Our committee is gearing up for another successful fun filled week as our school as a whole will come together and read one book. The team, comprised of parents and teachers are hard at work going through titles that will fit with our school vision. We look forward to this week in late January or early February where we can fill all the little minds with wonder and imagination.



"Reading should not be presented to children as a chore or duty. It should be offered as a precious gift"
- Kate Dicamillo

SYJ CLOTHING CLOSET

YVONNE CORCORAN, SYJ PTA CLOTHING CLOSET CHAIR
YCORCORAN@YAHOO.COM

Hi families!

If you have any clothes to donate (of any size appropriate for elementary kids) there is a black bin just inside the front entrance doors under the table.

You're also welcome to send me an email to arrange pick up.

All clothes that we cannot use at our clothing closet will be donated to locker 505 which serves all of APS.

No used socks or underwear please.

Thank you.



WE COULD USE SOME GIRLS SIZES 10-12 AND 14-16 SHIRTS AND PANTS

LYNNE THOMAS, SCHOOL NURSE LYNNE.THOMAS @APS.EDU
SHAYNA SALVINO, HEALTH ASSISTANT

Welcome Back from the Health Office!

It's almost time for Grade level vision and hearing screenings will be done the week of September 18-22.

The following grades will be checked:

K: Vision & Hearing

1st: Vision

3rd: Vision & Hearing

If your student wears glasses, please help remind them to bring them!

If your student is in K, 1st, or 3rd grade and you do not wish to have their vision and/or hearing checked at school, please notify the Health Office by

September 15th by emailing
Lynne.Thomas @aps.edu



APS SICK DAY GUIDELINES

If your child becomes ill and doesn't feel well enough to take part in school, as parents or guardians, you should keep your child home until the symptoms improve. This also can help to prevent the spread of the illness to others at school. These are some of the examples of when your child should be kept home:

- Active vomiting
- Active diarrhea – three or more times in six hours
- The beginning of an airway infection (cold/cough/runny nose). This is especially important for those who are unable to manage their own body fluids.
- Extreme tiredness and/or lack of appetite
- Fever with headache, body aches, earache, sore throat
- Undiagnosed or unknown rash (a rash that has not been seen or treated by a health care provider)
- Any of the above symptoms with fever or chills

Thank you for helping us keep our kids healthy!

- Untreated skin condition
- If antibiotic treatment is needed, your child should remain home for the first full 24 hours of medication (e.g., if your child has three doses per day ordered, then three doses must be given before the child returns to school)

BLOOD DRIVE

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Sy Jackson Elementary School

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH
2:00 PM - 5:30 PM
BLOODMOBILE

Call Aubry at (505) 249-6986 to schedule an appointment!

QR code to sign up online!



 GIVE BLOOD | vitalant.org

[vitalant.](https://vitalant.org) 

[HTTPS://SITES.GOOGLE.COM/APS.EDU/SWISHER/HOME](https://sites.google.com/aps.edu/swisher/home)



My name is Jeff Swisher, and I have been teaching physical education for 21 years (5 of them at SY Jackson). I have a broad experience in the Health and Wellness Industry where I worked as a General Manager/Fitness Director for NM Sports and Wellness for 15 years. That experience has allowed me to view youth health and wellness in a very defined way. I see physical education more as physical and health literacy. Not only do students have fun playing and participating in physical and healthy activities, they also are provided the opportunity to understand “why” they are doing what they are doing.

To be active there are many different skills a student needs to learn, and by learning the correct way to do these skills a student can become confident. This is being physically literate. Once they become physically literate, they will have the confidence to try more and more activities. This will expand their choices of activities to engage in which will broaden their active lifestyle. For me this has become my challenge, balancing fun activities with a literacy component. I look forward to this year, and hope your child enjoys our program. If you have any questions or concerns about the program, please email. I will try to respond as soon as possible.

Note to Parents:

While we aim to provide your child with the means and the knowledge to achieve a healthy lifestyle, you are the most influential component to your child becoming a healthy individual for his/her lifetime. Your encouragement and support towards your children in physical wellness is paramount.

AS A FAMILY YOU CAN:

- LIMIT TELEVISION, VIDEO GAME, AND COMPUTER TIME.
- PLAN ACTIVE FAMILY OUTINGS.
- MAKE THINGS LIKE RAKING LEAVES AND SWEEPING ACTIVE TOGETHER TIME.
- WORK TOGETHER TO PLAN OR MAKE MEALS THAT ARE FUN, ENJOYABLE, AND HEALTHY.
- ASK YOUR CHILD WHAT THEY HAVE LEARNED IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUAL SUPPORT!!!

PROPER ATTIRE:

SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY SO STUDENTS MUST WEAR TENNIS SHOES THAT ARE PROPERLY LACED OR SECURED WITH VELCRO. SANDALS, HIKING OR THICK BOTTOM BOOTS, SHOES WITH HEELS, AND NON-SUPPORTING SLIP-ONS WITH OR WITHOUT BACKS ARE NOT PERMITTED FOR PHYSICAL ACTIVITY. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT YOUR CHILD REFRAINS FROM WEARING JEWELRY THAT MIGHT GET LOST, STOLEN, OR CAUSE INJURY.



BALLOONS & BURRITOS

**FRIDAY, OCT. 6TH
BEFORE SCHOOL**

**BREAKFAST
AVAILABLE FOR
PURCHASE**

Save the Date for the 2023 Balloons & Burritos event on Friday, October 6th! A hot air balloon will once again inflate on the SY Jackson campus field before school, and families are invited to celebrate this fun annual tradition with students. Burritos, donuts, coffee, and hot chocolate will be open for pre-orders starting Sept. 15th with limited availability for sale day-of. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, contact Amy Lavender at amychambellan@hotmail.com



KINDLE CLOUSE - D'ARCO

**S.Y. JACKSON ELEMENTARY ART EDUCATOR
MA, LEVEL III ART EDUCATION K-12
KINDLE.CLOUSE@APS.EDU**

This 2023-2024 school year I have been placed at SYJ to teach art education. My main goals for this school year are foremost to get to know my student artists, have fun and make art in the process. Art in schools is often not taken seriously or overlooked as a significant component to educating the whole child. People don't realize that art education has a rich history and also has standards and benchmarks just as other subjects.

I love my job because art is my passion in my personal life and it is my favorite subject. I like to paint and create art when I can. I received my BFA in painting and printmaking from Virginia Commonwealth University in Richmond VA but missed the desert landscape and the green chile of the Southwest. I always wanted to attend UNM so in 1997 I moved to Albuquerque NM to complete my masters in art education in 2004.

After graduating I taught art in Santa Fe NM for 15 years at Sweeney Elementary but decided I needed a change and transferred to APS fine arts in 2019. I taught art at Emerson Elementary for the past four years before coming to S.Y. Jackson. I currently reside in the Nob Hill area where I live with my 14 year old son and my dog Libra. I feel grateful to have been placed at such a respected and accomplished school and am excited to work with great kids and great people.

THESE ARE ALL THINGS I TRY TO REINFORCE IN THE ART ROOM

ART CAN REDUCE STRESS

**DEVELOP PERSONAL
SOCIAL-EMOTIONAL AND
INTERPERSONAL SKILLS**

ENRICH EXPERIENCES

**TEACH WAYS TO HANDLE
CONSTRUCTIVE CRITICISM**

**BOLSTER ACADEMIC
ACHIEVEMENT**

AND EVEN IMPROVE FOCUS.



ALL 3RD- 5TH GRADERS JOIN JAMMIN' JAGUARS!

COME SING & PERFORM WITH US, LEARN
MUSIC, AND HAVE FUN!

SPACE IS LIMITED

- TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS- 3:15-4:00 PM
- OFFICIAL START THUR, SEPT. 7TH
- \$350 FOR THE YEAR, \$175 PER SEMESTER
 - FALL/WINTER- CONCERT IN DECEMBER
 - SPRING MUSICAL (SINGING ,DANCING, & ACTING)
- PAYMENT PLANS AVAILBLE & SIBLING DISCOUNTS
- LIMITED SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE



**NOT SURE? JOIN US FOR A MEET AND GREET WITH
MS. HIPOLITO AND MRS. HEDGES. *STUDENTS ONLY***

THURSDAY, AUGUST 31ST

**MS. HIPOLITO'S CLASSROOM
RM. 29 AT AFTERNOON RECESS**

QUESTIONS- JENNIFER.HIPOLITO@APS.EDU OR HEDGES@APS.EDU

CHECKS TO: JENNIFER HIPOLITO



JAMMIN' JAGUARS REGISTRATION FORM



WITH MS. HIPOLITO (3RD) AND MRS. HEDGES (3RD)

JENNIFER.HIPOLITO@APS.EDU & HEDGES@APS.EDU

**FILL OUT THE FORM BELOW AND RETURN WITH
PAYMENT BY THUR. SEPT. 7TH TO MS. HIPOLITO RM. 29**

WE ARE SO EXCITED TO GET STARTED. YOUR STUDENT WILL LEARN SOLFEGE, RHYTHMS, CHORAL STYLE SINGING, PROPER VOCAL/ BREATHING TECHNIQUE AND MORE IN ORDER TO PERFORM. WE WILL HAVE A WINTER CONCERT IN DECEMBER AND SWITCH TO A FULL MUSICAL THEATRE PERFORMANCE FOR THE SPRING AND SING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM AT AN ISOTOPES GAME.

WHO: 3RD THROUGH 5TH GRADERS NO AUDITION NEEDED

WHEN: TUESDAY & THURSDAYS -STARTING THURSDAY, SEPT. 7, 2023

WHERE: PORTABLE B6

TIME: 3:15 P.M.- 4:00 P.M.

REGISTRATION: \$350.00 FOR THE YEAR PER STUDENT

PAYMENTS CAN BE MADE PER SEMESTER \$175 ON SEPT. 6 AND JAN. 10TH

SIBLING DISCOUNT AVAILABLE, CONTACT MS. HIPOLITO

PLEASE NOTE THIS IS NON- REFUNDABLE

REGISTRATION FEE COVERS THE COST OF A T-SHIRT, PURCHASING MUSIC, HIRING AN ACCOMPANIST, LICENSING THE MUSICAL, RENTING OUT THE PERFORMANCE SPACE, AND OTHER MISC. PRODUCTION EXPENSES.

POLICES AND EXPECTATIONS:

- STUDENTS WILL ATTEND ALL SCHEDULED REHEARSALS REGULARLY
- STUDENTS WILL NOT EXCEED MORE THAN 3 ABSENCES PER SEMESTER
REHEARSALS CAN'T BE MADE UP
- COMMUNICATE WHEN STUDENTS WILL MISS REHEARSAL
- STUDENTS WILL BE KIND AND RESPECTFUL TO EVERYONE
- STUDENTS WILL LISTEN, FOLLOW DIRECTIONS, AND WORK HARD (WE HAVE LIMITED LEARNING TIME)
- STUDENTS WILL BE PICKED UP NO LATER THAN 4:15 PM

CUT HERE-----KEEP TOP FOR INFORMATION-----PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY-----

STUDENT'S FIRST & LAST NAME _____ GRADE _____ YOUTH T-SHIRT SIZE: _____

PARENT'S FIRST/ LAST NAME (PRINT) _____ EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

PHONE _____ STUDENT'S TEACHER _____

ALTERNATE ADULT PICK UP NAME AND PHONE: _____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

MY CHILD HAS PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN JAMMIN' JAGUARS (STUDENTS 3RD -5TH). I HAVE ALSO READ AND UNDERSTAND THE POLICIES AND EXPECTATIONS OF THIS GROUP.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO JENNIFER HIPOLITO *PLEASE NOTE PAYMENT IS NON-REFUNDABLE.*