## Jayhawk Journal



#### Week of April 22nd - 26th

#### Principal's Corner

I just wanted to say thank you so much to everyone who was able to attend the Spring Fling. It was amazing to unveil the new outdoor classroom. Many members of our staff have worked very hard to make that happen. Just like the weather warming up outside, we hope that this gives a warm spot for students to learn and take in something new. We are looking forward to ending the month strong, let's keep SOARing!

-Mr. Traub

#### Staff Member of the Week:

We would like to congratulate Mrs. St. Aubin for being voted this award by her colleagues this week!

Mrs. St. Aubin is a 5th grade teacher here at Johnson. She is committed to helping out with so many things at our school. From being a part of the School Improvement Team, helping mentor colleagues, or running the car loop, she certainly shows she is a team player. She puts in work to help meet the needs of her students, and loves watching them become successful in the classroom!

#### **MSTEP Updates**

We are currently MSTEP Testing in both 5th and 6th grades. The window is now open and will run until May 17th. Students have shown great commitment to doing their best on test dates. Please make sure students get good sleep, eat a great breakfast, and do their best on the upcoming tests. Your teacher will email you more specific information regarding when your student will be testing in their rooms during this time. We have had a great year, let's now take the time to show it!

#### **Points of Pride**

- ⇒ Our Spring Fling was a huge success! We are so grateful for our new outdoor classroom set-up for our students!
- ⇒ Students did a great job putting in their best effort for MSTEP Testing this week, and continue to show determination!
- ⇒ This week we were able to team up with the Churchill Football Team to help start a student mentor program!



### Planning for the future:

## <u>April 2024</u>

- Bagel Day 4/25
- No School 4/26

## May 2024

- PTA Meeting 5/6
- Half Day a.m. 5/24
- No School 5/27 and 5/28

#### Week At A Glance

Monday 4/22

Tuesday 4/23

Wednesday 4/24

Thursday 4/25

Friday 4/26 No School

### My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

Love being able to work with awesome students and an excellent staff!

#### Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel:

Nashville and Up North

Foods:

Ribs, Mexican, Ice Cream

Color:

Maize and Blue

College:

University of Michigan

TV Show:

The Neighborhood

Sports Team:

Any Detroit or Michigan Sports

**School Subject:** 

Math

#### Staff Member of the Week



Mrs. St. Aubin

### My hobbies:

Michigan Football, spending time with my twin grandsons.

## **PTA Updates**

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## Youth Making A Difference

Students participating in YMAD, please turn in your projects to the office this week. A PTA representative will collect them. We can't wait to see all the amazing projects! Participants mark your calendar for the YMAD celebration on Wednesday, April 24th at Churchill High School at 6 p.m..

Johnson PTA now has an email! If you have any ideas or questions, please feel free to contact us at johnsonupperpta@gmail.com.

We need you! If you are interested in a position on the PTA board for next school year, please email <a href="mailto:johnsonupperpta@gmail.com">johnsonupperpta@gmail.com</a> and a member of the nominating committee will be happy to help.

## **End of Year Planning**

Thank you to everyone who has been able to donate and participate with PTA this year. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to donate to the student festivities that take place during May and June.

- We look forward to seeing you on May 6th for our next monthly meeting!

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# April is Ability Acceptance & Inclusion Month

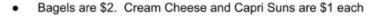
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
1 You are a Piece of Johnson the puzzle. Design your puzzle piece to represent you. Turn it into the office by Friday, April 12.	2 Light it up BLUE! Wear blue from head to toe to celebrate autism acceptance.	<b>3</b> Wear an ability acceptance shirt  Play with someone new at recess	4 Social Awareness Day: Dress to match a group of friends, a teacher, a class. Include someone new.	5 Proud to be a Jayhawk  Sport your Jayhawk Pride in our school colors!	
8 Blue + Yellow: The official colors of down syndrome awareness. Rock your blue + yellow today!	9 Wear RED to show your love and support for ALL students at Johnson.	Wear an ability acceptance shirt Invite a new friend to sit with you at lunch	11 Sensory Friendly Day: Dress up today in your most comfortable + favorite clothes	12 Proud to be a Jayhawk Sport your Jayhawk Pride in our school colors! Turn in your puzzle pieces	
Neurodiversity To celebrate the beauty in the diverse spectrum of the human mind, Wear rainbow or tie-dyed clothes to school	16 Be an inclusion superhero - Wear your cape!	Wear an ability acceptance shirt  Go out of your way to compliment someone today	18 Walk a mile in someone else's shoes. Wear mismatched shoes	Proud to be a Jayhawk  Sport your Jayhawk Pride in our school colors!	
22 Magnificent Mind Monday: wear a fun hat or wild hair!	2 We are One Team Wear your favorite jersey	24 Wear an ability acceptance shirt  Have courage and try something challenging today	25 Come as you are- Be comfortable as you! Wear your pajamas	26 NO SCHOOL	
29 what's your passion? One characteristic of autism is to show incredibly focused passion for topics of interest. Dress up to show something you love!	Wear an ability acceptance shirt  Share one of your talents with someone	IN	CLUSION Everyor	es a T.	

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## Johnson Upper Elementary's



Bagel Day!
Thursday, April 25, 2024



- Advanced purchase required
- Orders are due to the classroom teacher by Thursday, April 18, 2024
- Orders will be delivered to the classroom on Thursday April 25, 2024
- Please Note: Bagels and cream cheese will not be saved for absent students



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#### Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU April 2024

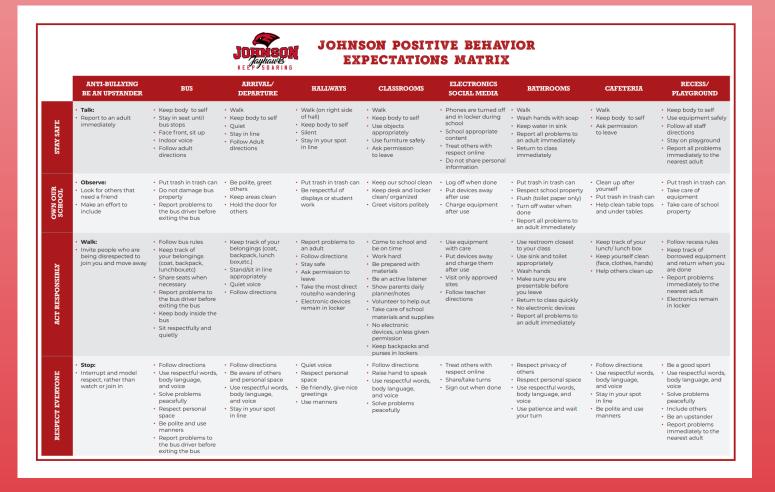
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E-Backpack Mail - Click & Scroll to Find Out What's Happening! (livoniapublicschools.org)



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April is Ability Awareness Month: This month we will be focusing on celebrating all of the various abilities that our students have here at Johnson. We look forward to bringing awareness to our students!

Moving or New School This Fall: For this upcoming fall, if you are moving or attending a different school not located in Livonia Public Schools, please email our school secretary at <a href="mailto:cmalliak@livoniapublicschools.org">cmalliak@livoniapublicschools.org</a> so we can make sure your child's educational files are prepared for your child's next school and we can accurately account for this in our projected enrollment and staffing plans.

MSTEP Testing Reminder: This week M-Step testing began at our school. Please note that students who arrive late may not go straight to class if the class has begun testing. Please do all you can to have your students arrive on time during the M-Step testing period. We encourage students to arrive on time daily, but during testing it is especially important. We ask that students arrive well rested and ready to do their best. Please contact your teacher to find out specific testing times for your class. Thank you!

**DROPOFF AND PICKUP TIMES** - Students cannot be dropped off for school in the morning prior to 8:15am. This is when the doors open for breakfast and when staff is available to supervise students. Prior to this time, all school doors are locked. Students are not to be left unattended, arrangements must be made. Also, dismissal is at 3:30pm daily and at 11:45am on half days. It is required that all students who are picked up in the car loop be picked up no later than 3:45pm. Staff is not available to supervise students beyond that time. The district offers a SACC program for those students that cannot be picked up by 3:45pm. Please contact SACC at (734)744-2966 to make arrangements.

**COMMUNICATION** - The beginning of the day and the end of the day are always busy times in the school office. At Johnson, we realize there are always unexpected circumstances that arise and we will do everything in our power to accommodate unplanned interruptions. We also ask parents to call the office after 9:00am and prior to 3:00pm if they are making alternate transportation arrangements for their students' trip home. Teachers frequently use the end of the day time for classroom reorganization, recess and/or specials and catching up to a class can be a challenge. We appreciate your help. The office phone number is (734)744-2740.

**OFFICE HOURS -** Mr. Traub, Principal and Mrs. Samouelian, Assistant Principal, are available via email, telephone and in person. If you have any questions or concerns, please set an appointment to discuss your situation privately with one of our Administrators. The Johnson school office is open M-F from 7:45am to 4:15pm. Teachers are generally unavailable during the day as they are teaching. If you have a concern, please reach out to teachers via email or contact the office directly at (734) 744-2740 Students will not be permitted back into the building for forgotten items once the office is closed for the day!

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EMERGENCY CARD INFORMATION - It is required that each family review the emergency contact information that is on file at Johnson. You can view this information in parent connect. WHY? in the event of an emergency, sick child, severe weather, we may need to reach you. The process to verify your emergency contact information is correct is simple. Simply log into Parent Connect and follow the prompts.

**ATTENDANCE LINE** - It is vital for academic success that your student be in attendance daily, ready to learn. If your student is absent on any given day, please contact the school office and let them know. This helps reduce phone calls home to verify a student's absence and it helps keep accurate attendance records. A reminder, if a student has a fever or has vomited, they are not to return to school for 24 hours once the fever is gone and/or vomiting has stopped. In this time of concern over congested or cold/coughing students still coming to school, we will leave this judgment to the parents. We simply ask you to make sure your student is healthy and not a distraction to the learning environment. Thank you for your cooperation. The attendance line is available at (734) 744-2740 ext 1.

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL - Oftentimes a student will come to the office with a medical need. The office staff is able to dispense medication as needed as long as the medication is: 1) Delivered to school by a parent in the original unopened package or prescription container, {NO MEDICATION can be brought to school by students} 2) As long as there is an individual, signed medical authorization on file for each medication {form available in the office and online} Medication includes but is not limited to cough drops, aspirin, Tylenol, Advil, prescription drugs, creams, lotions, vitamins, inhalers, EpiPens, etc.... We cannot administer any medication that is not listed on file in the office. Please reach out to Jill Jablonski in the office to set up a time to bring in medications and to review your student's medical needs when they are in the building.

**BLESSINGS IN A BACKPACK (BIAB)** - We work in conjunction with BIAB to provide weekend meals to those families in need of food assistance. If this is something you would like to participate in, all you have to do is fill out the form that came home with students today or simply contact the office at (734) 744-2740 and we will sign you up. Delivery will begin the following week.

**SOCIAL MEDIA** - JOHNSON has a Facebook page filled with stories of our daily student activities/ projects/concerts and general shenanigans. Be sure to like our page to see our students and staff in action! In addition, Johnson is fortunate to have an amazing PTA and they have a facebook as well! Information about how to join the PTA, events, volunteering, contributing and general information are included in the welcome packet.

"We are what we repeatedly do."

- Anonymous