

Jayhawk Journal



Week of September 2 - 6

Principal's Corner

Here we are, starting the second week of school. I cannot say thank you enough to our staff and students for such a great first week of school. We have some fun things planned in the near future, and we cannot wait until we start sharing those memories with you all. I hope that everyone has a wonderful Labor Day Weekend and we look forward to another great week ahead!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

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

Mrs. Jennifer is our building supervisor here at Johnson. She is dedicated to always going above and beyond to help all staff members and students in our building. She and her crew did a wonderful job of getting the school ready to begin our year. From making the building clean, to helping with furniture issues, to getting our lunchroom up and running, we thank you for your dedication to us!

PBIS Updates

This week we took the time to go over our SOAR Expectations and explain how students can earn SOAR Bucks during an assembly on Tuesday morning. Stay Safe, Own our School, Act Responsibly, and Respect Everyone. That is what SOAR means at Johnson. Please see the attached matrix in the newsletter to see our procedures and rules we have in place so students know our SOAR expectations in many different scenarios. We look forward to an amazing school year with your students!

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Staff and students were eager to be back in the building this week!
- ⇒ Our car loop was AMAZING! We were able to reach our goal of 8 minutes in the first week! THANK YOU!
- ⇒ We were able to bring in our students to kick off the school year with our first SOAR PBIS Assembly last Tuesday!



Planning for the future:

September 2024

- 9/2 - No School Labor Day Weekend
- 9/3 - Spirit Day - PJ Day
- 9/10 - PTA Meeting
- 9/13 - Picture Day
- 9/19 - Virtual Curriculum Night

Week At A Glance

- Monday 9/2 No School
- Tuesday 9/3 PJ Spirit Day
- Wednesday 9/4
- Thursday 9/5
- Friday 9/6

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My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

I love my job and I love being at Johnson!

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel :

Frankenmuth

Foods:

Mexican

Color:

Purple

College:

Michigan Go Blue!

TV Show:

Live Sports

Sports Team:

Detroit Lions

School Subject:

Math

Staff Member of the Week



Mrs. Jennifer

My hobbies:

Going to concerts with my daughter!

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JOHNSON POSITIVE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS MATRIX

	ANTI-BULLYING BE AN UPSTANDER	BUS	ARRIVAL/ DEPARTURE	HALLWAYS	CLASSROOMS	ELECTRONICS SOCIAL MEDIA	BATHROOMS	CAFETERIA	RECESS/ PLAYGROUND
STAY SAFE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Talk: • Report to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep body to self • Stay in seat until bus stops • Face front, sit up • Indoor voice • Follow adult directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Quiet • Stay in line • Follow Adult directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk (on right side of hall) • Keep body to self • Silent • Stay in your spot in line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Use objects appropriately • Use furniture safely • Ask permission to leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Phones are turned off and in locker during school • School appropriate content • Treat others with respect online • Do not share personal information 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Wash hands with soap • Keep water in sink • Report all problems to an adult immediately • Return to class immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk • Keep body to self • Ask permission to leave 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep body to self • Use equipment safely • Follow all staff directions • Stay on playground • Report all problems immediately to the nearest adult
OWN OUR SCHOOL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observe: • Look for others that need a friend • Make an effort to include 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Do not damage bus property • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be polite, greet others • Keep areas clean • Hold the door for others 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Be respectful of displays or student work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep our school clean • Keep desk and locker clean/organized • Greet visitors politely 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Log off when done • Put devices away after use • Charge equipment after use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Respect school property • Flush (toilet paper only) • Turn off water when done • Report all problems to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clean up after yourself • Put trash in trash can • Help clean table tops and under tables 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Put trash in trash can • Take care of equipment • Take care of school property
ACT RESPONSIBLY	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Walk: • Invite people who are being disrespected to join you and move away 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow bus rules • Keep track of your belongings (coat, backpack, lunchbox, etc.) • Share seats when necessary • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus • Keep body inside the bus • Sit respectfully and quietly 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep track of your belongings (coat, backpack, lunch box, etc.) • Stand/sit in line appropriately • Quiet voice • Follow directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Report problems to an adult • Follow directions • Stay safe • Ask permission to leave • Take the most direct route/no wandering • Electronic devices remain in locker 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Come to school and be on time • Work hard • Be prepared with materials • Be an active listener • Show parents daily planner/notes • Volunteer to help out • Take care of school materials and supplies • No electronic devices, unless given permission • Keep backpacks and purses in lockers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use equipment with care • Put devices away after use • Visit only approved sites • Follow teacher directions 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Use restroom closest to your class • Use sink and toilet appropriately • Wash hands • Make sure you are presentable before you leave • Return to class quickly • No electronic devices • Report all problems to an adult immediately 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Keep track of your lunch/ lunch box • Keep yourself clean (face, clothes, hands) • Help others clean up 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow recess rules • Keep track of borrowed equipment and return when you are done • Report problems immediately to the nearest adult • Electronics remain in locker
RESPECT EVERYONE	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stop: • Interrupt and model respect, rather than watch or join in 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully • Respect personal space • Be polite and use manners • Report problems to the bus driver before exiting the bus 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Be aware of others and personal space • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Stay in your spot in line 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Quiet voice • Respect personal space • Be friendly, give nice greetings • Use manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Raise hand to speak • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Treat others with respect online • Share/take turns • Sign out when done 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respect privacy of others • Respect personal space • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Use patience and wait your turn 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Follow directions • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Stay in your spot in line • Be polite and use manners 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Be a good sport • Use respectful words, body language, and voice • Solve problems peacefully • Include others • Be an upstander • Report problems immediately to the nearest adult

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PTA Updates

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Don't forget to join PTA! When you join the Johnson PTA, you are showing your support for our students. It does NOT mean you need to volunteer. Please become a member today.

<https://johnsonelementary.givebacks.com/>

Johnson spiritwear is available all year. Check out <https://www.johnsonupperpiritwear.com/> to order some Johnson clothing today.

Feel free to reach our PTA at johnsonupperpta@gmail.com with any ideas or questions you may have.

24/25 PTA Officers:

President: Julie Turk

Treasurer: Megan Moore

1st Vice President: Kim Staber

2nd Vice President: Erin Kosinski

Rec. Secretary: Jenny Morgan

Corr. Secretary: Danielle Pelc

--Save the date for our first PTA meeting on September 10 at 6 pm. We can't wait to share what we have planned for this fall!

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Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU September 2024

MICHIGAN SCHOOL MEALS PROGRAM NO COST FOR MEAL **ALL ENTREES INCLUDE CHOICE OF SIDE ITEMS AND MILK** **COST FOR MILK ONLY: 0.60** THIS MENU SUBJECT TO CHANGE				**UPPER EL 3 rd CHOICE OPTIONS** Turkey & Cheese and Ham & Cheese Wraps Offered Daily		
09/01	02  NO SCHOOL 	03 MINI CORN DOGS (24g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	04 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	05 MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	06 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	07
08	09 NACHO SUPREME (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	10 CRUNCHY TACO STICK (32g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Green Peas (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	11 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	12 MEATBALL SUB (26g Carbs) Fruit/Vegetable (Carbs Vary) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	13 CHEESY BREADSTICKS (28g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Sweet Peas (11g Carbs) GRILLED CHEESE (31g Carbs)	14
15	16 SOUTHWEST PULL-APART (33g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE	17 CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	18 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE	19 ROTINI W/MEAT SC (24g Carbs) Roll (16g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) MUNCHABLE	20 CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	21
22 <i>Autumn Begins</i> 	23 PANCAKE/SAUSAGE BITES (37g Carbs) Potato (30g Carbs) Juice (16g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/ CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	24 TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	25 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	26 TACO IN A BAG (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	27 CHICKEN PATTY SANDWICH (39g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)	28
29	30 PIZZA CRUNCHERS (41g Carbs) Green Beans (3g Carbs) Fruit (Carbs Vary) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	10/01 NO SCHOOL ELEMENTARY STAFF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT	02 DOMINO'S DAY  CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	03 MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	04 CHEESE BOSCO STICKS (17g Carbs) Dipping Sauce (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)	05

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PICTURE DAY: EL DÍA DE LA FOTO.

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Viernes, 13 de septiembre, 2024

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Blessings in a Backpack-Livonia Enrollment for 2024-2025 School Year

Dear Parent,

Blessings in a Backpack-Livonia is a program designed to provide students, who are at risk for hunger, food for the weekends. If you participate in this program, your child will receive a bag filled with non-perishable food at the end of every week of school. There is no cost to you for participating in this program. No further information is required. Your information will not be shared or reported to any other agencies. If you would like to have your child participate in this program, please fill out and submit the form below as soon as possible.

If your child participated in the program last year, we will still need an enrollment form for this school year.

We are, currently, providing prepackaged bags so we are unable to customize for dietary needs.

If you have additional children who attend another of the schools that we serve (please see list on our website <https://www.biablivonia.org/about>), please complete a separate form for each of them. If you have any additional children in your home who do not attend schools/programs that we are currently serving (and for whom you wish to also receive food for), please list their name, school (where applicable) and age on the bottom of the form. If you prefer to register electronically, please visit <https://forms.gle/3zPW46jBrakcqLWz6> or scan the QR code below.



If you have any additional questions, please feel free to email us at biablivonia@gmail.com

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Picture Day Volunteers Needed: Picture day is fast approaching. It is scheduled for Friday, September 13th and we need a few volunteers. ALL students will have their photo taken regardless if they are purchasing a picture packet or not. The Fall photo is used in the yearbook and on their student badges. With that in mind, we are in need of helpers on picture day to escort students to and from their rooms and help keep orders organized. If you are available on September 13th for any period of time, we could really use a few volunteers. VOLUNTEERS receive a discount coupon from Lifetouch for helping! Thank you so much for volunteering and helping us.

Student Emergency Cards: We ask that ALL Jayhawk families go onto parent connect and review their student information that is listed. Please confirm your emergency contact information. This information is added to the PINK STUDENT EMERGENCY CARD we print for students. Emergency cards will be printed on Tuesday, September 3 and we ask that all data be updated and confirmed by that time. Thank you for helping up keep your kids safe!

ICHAT: Our parent volunteers are awesome and we could not do it without you! If you will be volunteering at Johnson or driving students for field trips, LPS requires you to have a completed iChat background check approved prior to the event. Completing the form is simple and quick. Go to www.livoniapublicschools.org click on the "Parents" tab, then click on "Forms" and click on the iChat box to access the form.

Food Update: Students will receive free breakfast and lunch from the state of Michigan regardless of income status. If your student would like to purchase snacks from our snack bar, please know that they can use cash or you can put money on their lunch account by going to the "Parent" tab on the LPS web page, then click on "My Payments Plus Student Lunch Accounts" and you can put money on their account for use at the lunch snack bar.

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!

SACC: Affordable School Aged Child Care, is still available at Johnson. Simply call (734) 744-2966 to make arrangements for your students before or after school caregiver needs. SACC opens at 7:00am and closes at 6:00pm daily.

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Transportation: In order to receive Bus Transportation, you must live in an area eligible for transportation and you MUST apply for transportation. If you believe your student is eligible for transportation, simply apply for bus service following the steps on the attached transportation information form at the end of this newsletter. If you want to see if you have transportation, simply login to Parent Connect and you will be able to see your student's transportation arrangements if they have been completed. If you have applied for transportation and still have not received transportation, we encourage you to reach out to transportation directly at (734)744-2156.

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) - FREE weekend meals and snack packs are available for those families that could use a little extra help. Johnson has teamed up with Blessings in a Backpack to offer weekend meal assistance to families that are struggling for whatever reason. A form is attached to the newsletter for your convenience. Simply complete the form and have your student return it to the office. Mid September, delivery will begin.

Back to school Helpers: We know that heading back to school and getting back into a routine can be a source of stress for kids and families. We are here to help with those days that are just not going perfect! We have two amazing staff members here to help our students transition back into the classroom. Ms. Dimmer and Ms. Jablonski are here to assist students with those first week jitters and help provide a familiar face. If you have a student that could benefit from their help, please reach out to the office and we will be sure to arrange a conversation to help your student!

Emergency Drills: As we head back to school, student safety is always a priority. We will be having several different drills coming up to acclimate the students to emergency procedures. We encourage you to let students know we are working in their best interest and we ask that they follow instructions given by staff during these drills so we can ease their concerns and keep them safe. Thank you for working with your students and supporting our safety drills.

"The best is yet to come." - Anonymous

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