

Jayhawk Journal



Week of April 7 - 11

Principal's Corner

Welcome back from break! We are beginning testing season here at Johnson. The M-STEP will open next week and will run through May 16th this year. We already spoke of the importance of doing your best to your students at our SOAR Assembly this week. Please take the time to check with your teacher on specific test times for your class. Now is a great time to talk to your student about the importance a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast to get them started. Let's do our best!

-Mr. Traub

Staff Member of the Week:

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

Mrs. Gonyou is a Paraprofessional here at Johnson. She is a leader in our building and is willing to do anything and everything. She is a tremendous resource to many and most importantly, she loves our students like her own. She remains cool under pressure and passes that along to others. She has a wonderful sense of humor and passes joy along to all around her. We are lucky to have her!

PBIS Updates

This week we focused on cafeteria behavior (see attached SOAR Matrix) on the morning announcements. We were lucky to bring in all students for a SOAR Assembly to look over data from both February and March. Students were able to identify issues and locations of what we need to work on moving forward for the rest of the school year. All students have a fresh start with a new trimester and our goal is to get as many students possible out to our next SOAR Celebration in June!

Points of Pride

- ⇒ Every classroom had a student nominated for Student of the Week!
- ⇒ Students were able to participate in our SOAR Assembly to set goals for April!
- ⇒ Our staff came together to celebrate our Paras for Paraprofessional Day!
- ⇒ Our March Is Reading Month Team was able to reward those students with a camping party for those who earned it!



Planning for the future:

April 2025

- 4/7 - Skate Night @Skatin Station 6 p.m.
- 4/9 - PTA Meeting @ 6 p.m.
- 4/17 - Bagel Day
- 4/18 - No School
- 4/30 - Family Bingo Night

Week At A Glance

Monday 4/7

Tuesday 4/8

Wednesday 4/9

Thursday 4/10

Friday 4/11

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My favorite part of being a Jayhawk is ...

This is a school that I can SOAR at!

Some of My Favorite Things:

Place To Travel :

Up North

Foods:

French Fries

Color:

Orange

College:

Michigan

TV Show:

Chicago PD

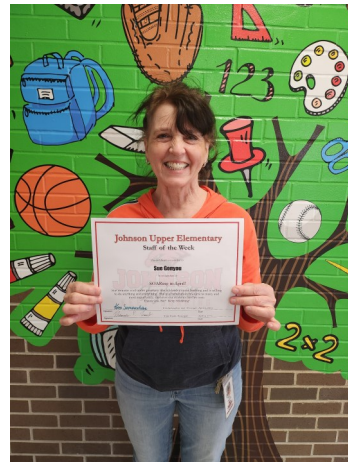
Sports Team:

Green Bay Packers

School Subject:

ELA

Staff Member of the Week



Mrs. Gonyou

My hobbies:

Gardening and Reading.

PTA Updates

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Youth Making A Difference

Students participating in YMAD, please have projects turned in on Friday, March 21st or on Wednesday, April 9th to the office. 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 23rd at Churchill.

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

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

We are looking forward to Bingo Night together on April 30th!

Join Us For Skate Night!

Our Final Skate Night will be this Monday, the 7th, from 6 to 8 p.m. It will take place at Skatin Station in Canton. Just a reminder that all students who attend must be accompanied by an adult.

Save the date for our next PTA meeting on April 9th at 6 pm.

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Lifetouch.

Thanks for a great Picture Day at Johnson Upper Elementary School. It was a pleasure capturing your students' school pictures.

To ensure every family has the opportunity to remember this year's school memory, please share our offer below with your families.

Don't Forget to Order This Year's School Pictures

ENJOY 10% OFF
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EXPIRES: July 31, 2025

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Livonia Public Schools UPPER ELEMENTARY MENU April 2025

<p>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</p>				03/27 SPRING RECESS CONTINUES	03/28 SPRING RECESS	29
30	<p>31</p> <p>NACHO SUPREME (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) SOY PBJ (28g Carbs)</p>	<p>04/01</p> <p>FISH STICKS (22g Carbs) Green Peas (11g Carbs) Giant Goldfish Graham (19g Carbs) SOY PBJ (28g Carbs)</p>	<p>02</p> <p>DOMINO'S DAY</p>  <p>CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs SOY PBJ(28g Carbs)</p>	<p>03</p> <p>SLOPPY JOE ON A BUN (33g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) SOY PBJ (28g Carbs)</p>	<p>04 <i>Tigers' Opening Day!</i> </p> <p>HOT DOG ON BUN (33g Carbd) Green Beans (3g Carbs) White Cheddar Popcorn (9g Carbs) SOY PBJ (28g Carbs)</p>	05
06	<p>07</p> <p>BURRITO (41g Carbs) Cilantro-Lime Rice (39g Carbs) Peas & Carrots (10g Carbs) MUNCHABLE</p>	<p>08</p> <p>CHICKEN NUGGETS (13g Carbs) Roll (19g Carbs) Corn (13g Carbs) MUNCHABLE</p>	<p>09</p> <p>DOMINO'S DAY</p>  <p>CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs MUNCHABLE</p>	<p>10</p> <p>PHILLY STEAK SUB (32g Carbs) Fruit/Vegetable (Carbs Vary) MUNCHABLE</p>	<p>11</p> <p>CALZONE (35g Carbs) Marinara Sauce (8g Carbs) Fruit MUNCHABLE</p>	12
13	<p>14</p> <p><i>ROTINI</i></p>  <p>TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)</p>	<p>15</p> <p>TWIN MINI CHEESEBURGERS (30g Carbs) Broccoli (4g Carbs) TURKEY / CHEESE STICKS W/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)</p>	<p>16</p> <p>DOMINO'S DAY</p>  <p>CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs TURKEY&CHEESE STICKS/CRACKERS (17g Carbs)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>TACO IN A BAG (35g Carbs) Salsa (19g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) Egg Cookie  (22g Carbs) TURKEY/CHEESE STICKS W/ WG CRACKERS (17g Carbs)</p>	<p>18</p> <p>NO SCHOOL</p> <p><i>Good Friday</i></p>	19
20	<p>21</p> <p>PIZZA CRUNCHERS (41g Carbs) Green Beans (3g Carbs) Fruit Carbs Vary YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)</p>	<p>22</p> <p>MINI CORN DOGS (24g Carbs) Baked Beans (29g Carbs) Tater Tots (30g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)</p>	<p>23</p> <p>DOMINO'S DAY</p>  <p>CHEESE 30g Carbs PEPPERONI 29g Carbs YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>MACARONI & CHEESE (38g Carbs) Roll (15g Carbs) Carrot Coins (6g Carbs) YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)</p>	<p>25</p> <p><i>HOTDOG & CHIPS</i></p> <p>YOGURT PARFAIT (38g Carbs)</p>	26

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Order your **Johnson Yearbook**

Customize your 2 FREE pages!

The 2 CUSTOM pages are FREE and are ONLY printed in your book.

To purchase and customize your Yearbook, use the QR code below, or:

- Go to www.treering.com/validate
- Enter the passcode: 1016976710002014



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..... NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

FREE TUTORING

Tuesdays, 4:30pm–7:30pm, Carl Sandburg Library

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Thursdays, 5:30pm–8:30pm, Civic Center Library



Select your own tutor!
Tutoring for all subjects!
For all grades!

Sign Up Now!



For more information, contact **Joshua Kemp-Robrecht** at
jkemprob-2027@livoniapublicschools.org

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[E-Backpack Mail - Click & Scroll to Find Out What's Happening! \(livoniapublicschools.org\)](http://livoniapublicschools.org)



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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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Testing Update: Testing season is around the corner here at Johnson. This year, 5th Grade will be taking M-STEP for ELA, Math, Science, and Social Studies. 6th Grade will be taking M-STEP for ELA and Math. All students will take the final i-Ready Test for both Math and ELA before school is out. Look for specific dates and times from your teacher. Now is time to set a routine of a good night's sleep and a healthy breakfast.

Construction Update: You may have already noticed, but we are now in the beginning phases of our renovations that will take place for the upcoming school year. We will be getting a new library and kitchen over the Summer. Please be aware that our Media Center is now closed and we will be shutting down the main kitchen at the end of the month. A new food menu for Johnson will be shared on April 14th and will start on April 28th that will run for the rest of the school year. Thank you for your flexibility!

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.

Battle of the Books Winners: BATTLE OF THE BOOKS has finished and our students were amazing participants. It was great seeing the students discuss, debate and enjoy reading some amazing stories. The fifth grade group BANANA MINIONS won first place for the fifth grade competitors. Bookworms were second and Radioactive Readers were third. The sixth grade first place winning group was The Gilded Guys, second place was Piper's Pickles and third place was 4 pickles in a jar.

Lost and Found: Please be sure to stop in and take a look, it is overflowing. We have many, many designer brands, hoodies, coats, water bottles, etc...ALL items will be donated at the end of school year. Please take a look prior. We will be posting photos of leftover items on Facebook once the inventory gets more manageable. There are more than 100 clothing items!

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.

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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.

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!

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.

“Change the world by being yourself.”

- Amy Poehler

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