

# Jayhawk Journal



**Week of April 28 - May 2**

## **Principal's Corner**

Just a reminder that we have two family events planned ahead this week in Art Fair/Bingo Night and Dine-Out Night at P.F. Chang's. Before you know it, we will be sitting in the month of May next week. This has been an amazing year full of great memories for our staff and students. Let's focus on ending the year strong and making the best of the last month ahead. Thank you to our students who have worked so hard and put in their best efforts for the MSTEP Test the last few weeks. Let's enjoy this weather!

-Mr. Traub

## **Staff Member of the Week:**

We would like to congratulate Ms. Tina and Mrs. Beck for being voted this award by their colleagues this week!

In honor of Administrative Professionals' Day, we would like to acknowledge two amazing women who are the glue of this building. Tina and Deidre are the front line of our building and do so many things for our students, parents, and staff members here at Johnson. We are lucky to have them both and Johnson would not be what it is without them! Thank you for always leading the way!

## **PBIS Updates**

This week we focused on bathroom expectations (see attached SOAR Matrix) on the morning announcements. It is important to take the time to talk with your students about hallway noise as we continue with MSTEP Testing the next few weeks. We want to make sure that we are always providing the best testing environment for all. We will have our SOAR Clubs this Friday, May 2nd. It will cost 10 SOAR Bucks to get into any club that your child chooses. Looking forward to a great month ahead!

## **Points of Pride**

- ⇒ Our CHS Football Mentor Program is making an impact in our community!
- ⇒ We held our Title I Science Night after school this week!
- ⇒ Our staff got together to celebrate the hard work of Ms. Tina and Mrs. Beck for Administrative Assistant Day!
- ⇒ We were able to celebrate the hard work of our Student Teachers before they were sent off for graduation!



## **Planning for the future:**

### **April 2025**

4/29 - PTA Dine-Out @ P.F. Chang's at 6 and Haggerty

4/30 - Art Fair and PTA Family Bingo Night at Johnson

### **May 2025**

5/2 - SOAR Clubs

## **Week At A Glance**

Monday 4/28

Tuesday 4/29

Wednesday 4/30

Thursday 5/1

Friday 5/2

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**Keep soaring Jayhawks!**

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

The kids!

**Some of My Favorite Things:**

**Place To Travel :**

Up North

**Foods:**

Steak

**Color:**

Red

**College:**

Michigan State

**TV Show:**

Big Bang Theory

**Sports Team:**

Detroit Lions

**School Subject:**

History

**Staff Member of the Week**



**Ms. Tina**

**My hobbies:**

Gardening and hanging out with my family.

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

Working with all of the wonderful staff and students.

**Some of My Favorite Things:**

**Place To Travel :**

Hilton Head

**Foods:**

Mexican

**Color:**

Fuchsia

**College:**

MSU

**TV Show:**

Seinfeld

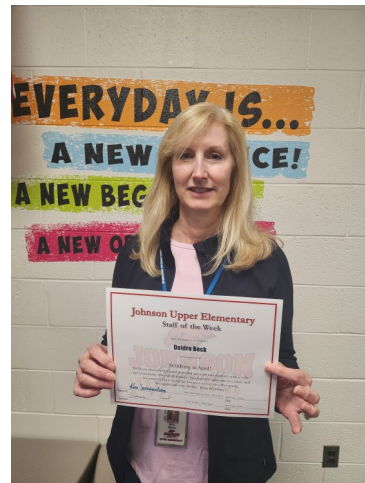
**Sports Team:**

MSU

**School Subject:**

Reading

**Staff Member of the Week**



**Mrs. Beck**

**My hobbies:**

Reading and gardening.

# PTA Updates

Week of April 28th

## Youth Making A Difference

Thank you to those students who participated in Youth Making A Difference! We were so proud of our participants and we cannot thank you enough for your hard work that was put into your projects! It was a great night at Churchill High School and we are looking forward to the event once again, next year!

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](mailto:johnsonupperpta@gmail.com) and a member of the nominating committee will be happy to help.

Frost PTSA is looking for members to join their Board for the 2025-2026 School Year. For more information, [please click here](#)

## Join Us For Dine-Out Night

On Tuesday, April 29th, Johnson will be holding a Dine-Out Night for PTA at P.F. Chang's Restaurant. This location is at 6 Mile and Haggerty. Please let them know you are there for Johnson, as a portion of the proceeds will be donated.

Save the date for our next  
PTA meeting on May 13th  
at 6 pm.

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Johnson Upper Elementary Menu                      4/28/25 – 5/2/25

4/28 Breakfast: Vanilla Boli Pastry, juice, milk

Lunch: Domino's Pizza, marinara cup, fruit cup, milk

4/29 Breakfast: Banana Bread, applesauce, milk

Lunch: Ham & cheese croissant, carrots, cantaloupe/  
Honeydew mix, chips, milk

4/30 Breakfast: Cinnamon Toast soft filled bar, juice, milk

Lunch: Pizza Rolls, marinara cup, apple slices, milk

5/1 Breakfast: Strawberry Banana Smoothie, Goldfish  
Graham, milk

Lunch: Soybutter PBJ, broccoli w/ ranch, pineapple  
chunks, cookie, milk

5/2 Breakfast: Benefit Bar, juice, milk

Lunch: Domino's Pizza, marinara cup, fruit cup, mil

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Johnson Upper Elementary Menu      5/5/25 – 5/9/25

5/5 Breakfast: Strawberry Muffin, juice, milk

Lunch: Domino's Pizza, marinara cup, fruit cup, milk

5/6 Breakfast: Cinni Mini, orange slices, milk

Lunch: Turkey ham and cheese wrap, pickle spears,  
Mixed berry cup, oreo cookie, milk

5/7 Breakfast: Nutrigrain Bar, string cheese, juice, milk

Lunch: Pizza Roll, marinara cups, apple slices, milk

5/8 Breakfast: Strawberry Bagel-ful, applesauce, milk

Lunch: Nacho chips w/ cheese cup, celery w/ wow  
peanut butter, craisins, cookie, milk

5/9 Breakfast: Brekkie, juice, milk

Lunch: Domino's Pizza, marinara cup, apple/grape mix,  
milk



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Join us for Johnson Upper Elementary PTA's



Night



**Wednesday, April 30**

**6:30- 7:30 p.m.**

**Johnson Cafeteria**

**Come look at the wonderful art and stay  
for a few rounds of Bingo!**

**Prizes  
and  
Candy**

**FREE**



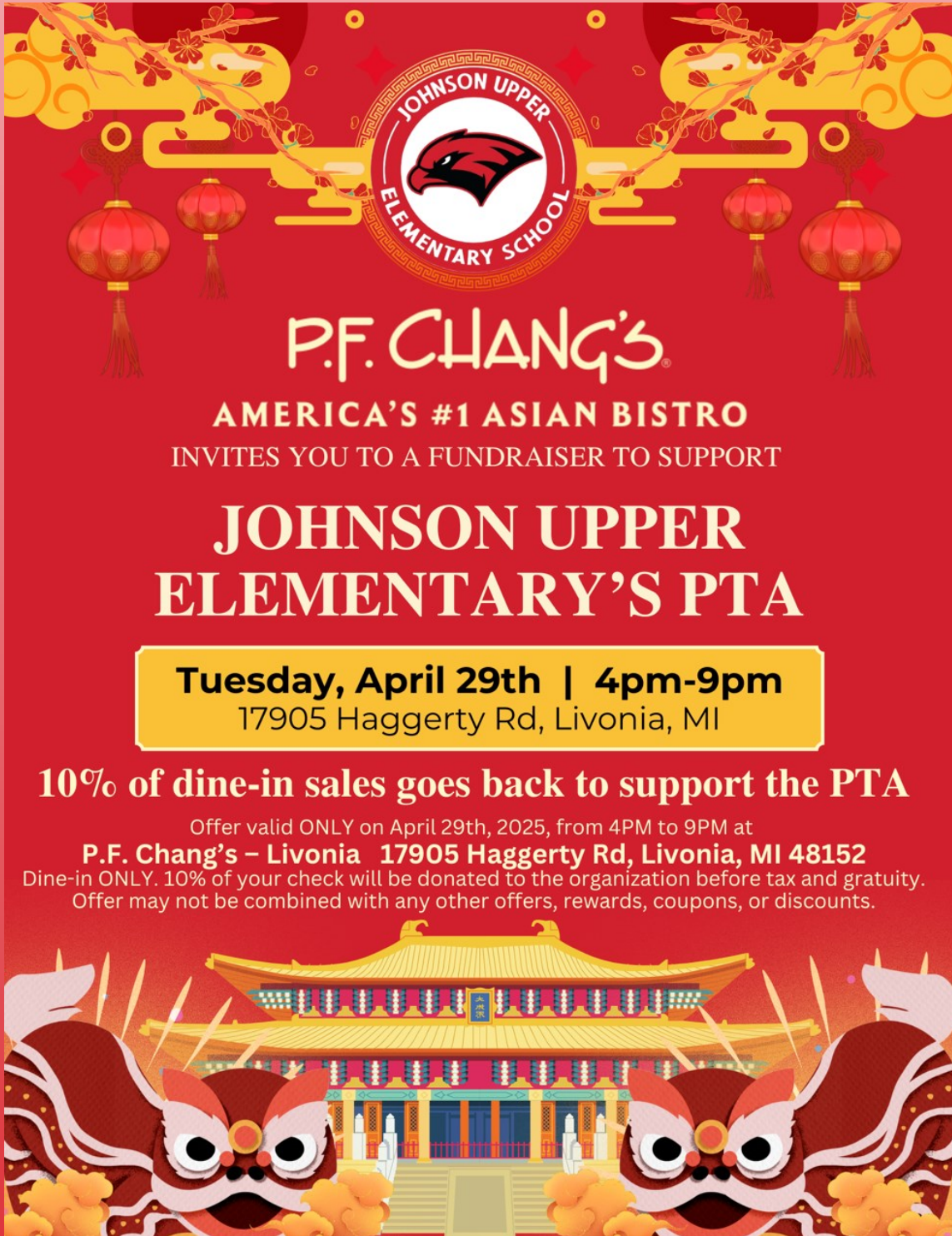

RSVP



Questions, please contact  
[johnsonupperpta@gmail.com](mailto:johnsonupperpta@gmail.com)

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**P.F. CHANG'S**  
AMERICA'S #1 ASIAN BISTRO  
INVITES YOU TO A FUNDRAISER TO SUPPORT  
**JOHNSON UPPER  
ELEMENTARY'S PTA**

**Tuesday, April 29th | 4pm-9pm**  
17905 Haggerty Rd, Livonia, MI

**10% of dine-in sales goes back to support the PTA**

Offer valid ONLY on April 29th, 2025, from 4PM to 9PM at  
**P.F. Chang's – Livonia 17905 Haggerty Rd, Livonia, MI 48152**  
Dine-in ONLY. 10% of your check will be donated to the organization before tax and gratuity.  
Offer may not be combined with any other offers, rewards, coupons, or discounts.



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## Livonia Churchill High School's Sports Physical Day for the 2025-2026 School Year

Presented by Trinity Elite and Trinity Health Academic Family Medicine  
Northwest Livonia

Wednesday May 28, 2025

**Location: Churchill High School Competition Gym**

**Time: 6:00 – 8:00pm**

\*\*\*To try out or practice with any Churchill High School Athletics program you must have a current Sports Physical dated on or after April 15, 2025\*\*\*

**Cost: \$20 (Cash or Check made payable to Churchill High School)**

**What to bring: Completed Physical Form signed by a Parent or Guardian**

**Questions: Please contact Trinity Elite at [trinityelite@trinity-health.org](mailto:trinityelite@trinity-health.org)**

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## SPECIAL TITANS BASKETBALL CAMP

ONE DAY CLINIC FOR ANY SPECIAL NEEDS PLAYERS AGES 10 & OLDER TO LEARN AND DEVELOP BASKETBALL SKILLS WITH THE TITANS BASKETBALL TEAMS. ALL ABILITIES ARE WELCOME.

WED, JUNE 18, 2025 | 9 AM - 12 PM | CALIHAN HALL | UNIV. OF DETROIT MERCY

- Athletes w/trainable mental impairment (TMI), educable mental impairment (EMI) & other developmental or physical disabilities
- Fundamental basketball training will take place inside historic Calihan Hall on Dick Vitale Court
- Parents/Guardians are welcome to stay and watch,
- Camp T-shirt
- Registration deadline is Monday, June 16
- Fee \$15 (families who need financial assistance can inquire about camp assistance at tinkeyja@udmercy.edu or 313-520-7966)



### CAMPER REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Adult Name:		Address:	
City/State/ZIP:		Phone Number:	
Email Address:			
Emergency Contact:		Emergency Contact Phone Number:	
Participant Name:	Date of Birth:	Gender:	Shirt Size:
Please list any allergies:			

Please check here if you have a physical disability and need accommodation in order to fully participate in any activity. Someone will contact you further to discuss your specific needs.

### PAYMENT INFORMATION - \$15 PER CAMPER

Check Enclosed (make payable to Detroit Mercy Athletics)

Credit Card:  Master Card  Visa  Discover  Amex

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CSC/CVV: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Payment can be completed securely online at:  
[www.DetroitTitans.com/SpecialTitansCamp](http://www.DetroitTitans.com/SpecialTitansCamp)

### VOLUNTEER OR CAMPER SPONSOR FORM

I would like to volunteer to help work at the camp

I would like to sponsor a camper (\$15)

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### PARTICIPANT WAIVER AGREEMENT

University of Detroit Mercy staff or media may take pictures or video of participants or volunteers enjoying the activities for use in marketing and promotion of the programs. If I do not grant permission for this, I will send a letter to the Department of Intercollegiate Athletics expressing my wishes.

**Waiver:** I, the undersigned, understand that participation in this activity or program is completely voluntary and that the activity or program being offered is for the benefit of the participant. The University of Detroit Mercy and the Titan Club shall not be liable for any claims, injuries, or damages, of whatever nature, incurred by the participant which are directly or indirectly attributable to the negligence, whether passive or active, of the University of Detroit Mercy or Titan Club, or their agents, volunteers, and employees, arising out of, or in connection with the activity or program. On behalf of the participant and myself, I expressly release and discharge the University of Detroit Mercy and Titan Club, or their agents, volunteers, and employees from any such claims, injuries, or damages.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

### Return form to:

Detroit Mercy Athletics - Special Titans Camp  
 4001 W. McNichols Rd.  
 Detroit, MI 48221



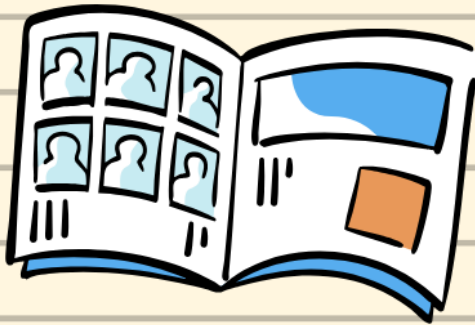
[www.DetroitTitans.com/SpecialTitansCamp](http://www.DetroitTitans.com/SpecialTitansCamp)

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# YEARBOOK

To customize your 2 free pages



1. Once logged into TreeRing, click on products and select yearbook.
2. Click customize
3. Upload photos
4. Follow the prompts
5. Submit by April 17

To purchase and customize your Yearbook, use the QR code or go to [www.treering.com/validate](http://www.treering.com/validate)

Enter the passcode: 1016976710002014

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

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**Lunch Menu Changes:** Just a friendly reminder that our kitchen will be under construction for the rest of the school year. Please see the attached flyers for an updated menu that will take place the next two weeks.

**Moving or Changing Schools?:** For this upcoming fall, if you are moving or attending a different school not located in Livonia Public Schools, please email our school secretary, Tina Mallia at [cmalliak@livoniapublicschools.org](mailto:cmalliak@livoniapublicschools.org) 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.

**Testing Update:** Testing season is up and running 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!

**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](http://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.

“Believe you can and you’re halfway there.”

- Theodore Roosevelt

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