



Jaguar Journal

August 28 , 2025

Latest Updates from Principal McDonald

Dear Jefferson Parents and Caregivers,

Another fantastic week has unfolded at Jefferson Elementary! Our students are making significant progress in demonstrating their R.O.A.R.S. both in the classroom and throughout the school. Teachers have started administering the beginning-of-year NWEA reading and math assessments. The NWEA is an adaptive test designed to gauge students' academic standing. Educators can leverage the results to identify focus areas for their classes and track the growth of individual learners. Discover more about the NWEA tests through this family resource [link](#).

Next week, our students will participate in the Acadience reading test. To find out more about Acadience reading, please refer to this family resource [link](#). All assessment data will be utilized to personalize instruction for our students and to implement intervention and enrichment opportunities.

Have a great Labor Day Weekend!

Warm regards,

Leila McDonald



Our Jaguars are diving headfirst back into the school groove, flexing their brain muscles and giving it their all! Go Jaguars!



- Upcoming Events**
- August 29** - No School
 - September 1** - No School - Labor Day
 - September 2** - Acadience Testing, KG Oral Health assessments
 - September 4** - Safeboot Lockdown Drill
 - September 5** - Acadience Testing
 - September 9** - PTG Meeting 4pm (Title 1 Parent Information will be shared)
 - September 12** - Popcorn Day \$1 bag





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Últimas actualizaciones del director McDonald

Queridos padres y tutores de Jefferson:

¡Ha sido otra semana increíble en la Escuela Primaria Jefferson! Nuestros estudiantes están haciendo un gran progreso al mostrar su R.O.A.R.S. tanto en el aula como en toda la escuela. Los maestros han comenzado a realizar las evaluaciones NWEA de lectura y matemáticas de inicio de año. La NWEA es una prueba adaptativa que se utiliza para evaluar el rendimiento académico de los estudiantes. Los educadores pueden usar los resultados para identificar áreas en las que enfocarse en sus clases y seguir el progreso de cada estudiante. Descubre más sobre las pruebas NWEA a través de este enlace de recursos familiares.

La semana que viene, nuestros alumnos van a participar en la prueba de lectura Acadience. Si quieres más información sobre la lectura Acadience, echa un vistazo a este enlace de recursos para familias. Todos los datos de la evaluación se usarán para adaptar la enseñanza a nuestros estudiantes e implementar oportunidades de intervención y enriquecimiento.

¡Espero que disfrutes de un maravilloso fin de semana del Día del Trabajo!

Un saludo cordial,

Leila McDonald



Nuestros Jaguares se están volviendo locos de nuevo con el ritmo escolar, ejercitando sus músculos mentales y dándolo todo.

¡Vamos Jaguares! 🇺🇸🇲🇪

Próximos eventos

- 29 de agosto - No hay clases
- 1 de septiembre - No hay clases - Día del Trabajo
- 2 de septiembre - Pruebas de Acadience, prueba de salud bucal de KG
- 4 de septiembre - Simulacro de bloqueo de Safeboot
- 5 de septiembre - Pruebas de Acadience
- 9 de septiembre - Reunión de PTG a las 4 p.m. (se compartirá información para padres del Título I)
- 12 de septiembre - Día de las palomitas de maíz Bolsa de \$ 1



Important Reminders:

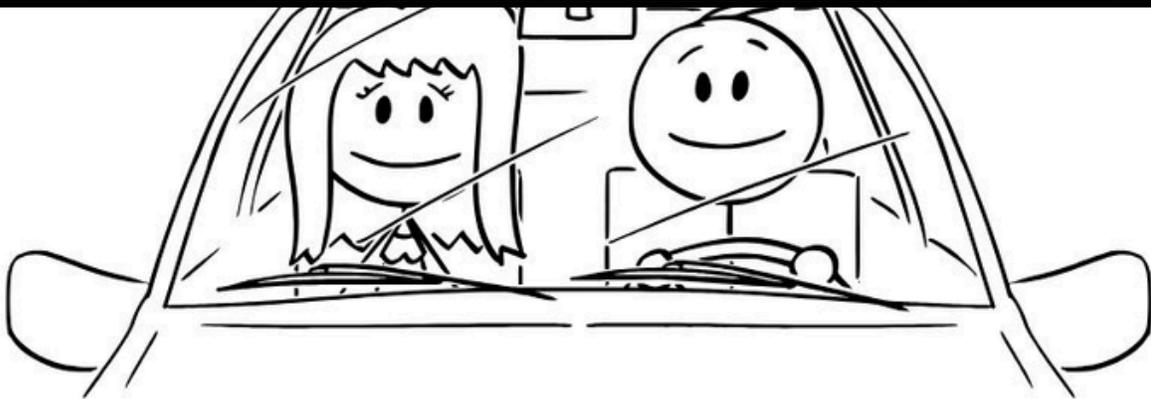


R. O. A. R. S.



Jefferson Summer Reading Calendars are due September 5th.

If your child attended Jefferson last year, they received literacy bags for the summer reading challenge. Please return completed calendars or Brainquest workbooks by September 5th for recognition and prizes. Completing at least 3 calendars enters them to win a \$25 credit for the first book fair!



Your student's safety is our top priority, and we appreciate your help with our end-of-day dismissal. We've noticed that the area behind the school has become very crowded, which slows things down and creates a safety concern.

To help us with a smoother and safer dismissal:

- If you are picking up your student in a vehicle, please stay in your car.
- If you need to exit your vehicle, please park in a designated parking space before walking to the pick-up area. This will help keep the pick-up line clear and moving.
- If you are walking, please wait on the playground side of the school, remaining behind the yellow cones and along the fence.

Following these guidelines will make dismissal much more efficient for everyone. Thank you for your support.

Ionia Public Schools Attendance Letters for Unexcused Absences:

5 Day Letter — This letter informs parents/guardians that five unexcused absences have been reached by the student.

10 Day Letter — This letter informs parents/guardians that the student has 10 unexcused absences and they need to set up a meeting with the building administrator. This meeting's purpose is to discuss the student's attendance and ways to improve the attendance. Failure to attend this meeting at the school or to make contact with the administrator will result in moving to the next step in the truancy process. A Youth Services Bureau Referral will be made by the school.

15 Day Letter — This letter will come from the IPS Truancy Officer letting parents/guardians know the student has 15 unexcused absences. They will be asked to set up a meeting with the Truancy Officer.

20 Day Letter — This letter will inform the parents/guardians that the Prosecuting Attorney's office has been petitioned due to the truancy of their student.

It is very important to call the school when your student is absent and give the reason for the absence.

It is recommended that you ask for a doctor's note for all medical appointments.





Liam Johnson
Delilah English
Korben Haynes

September 1 - September 5

Lunch Menu

Monday: No School

Tuesday: Domino's Pizza

Wednesday: Hot Dog

Thursday: Pepperoni Calzone

Friday: Yogurt, String Cheese and Muffin

Important Information

You can find important and reoccurring information about Jefferson Elementary by scanning this QR code or clicking the link [here](#). This is especially helpful for NEW Jefferson families.



Important information about Jefferson Elementary, including things such as the student handbook, supply lists, monthly breakfast/lunch menus, calendar, previous newsletters and more can be found at <https://www.ioniaschools.org/jefferson>.

School Information

Principal - Mrs. Leila McDonald

Secretary - Mrs. Alexandra Naab

Counselor - Mrs. Laken Colby

School day: 8:40am - 3:35pm

Office hours: 8:00am - 4:00pm





¡Feliz cumpleaños!

Liam Johnson
Delilah Inglés
Korben Haynes

Menú del almuerzo del 1 al 5 de septiembre.

Lunes: No hay clases

Martes: Pizza de Domino's

Miércoles: Perro caliente

Jueves: Calzone de pepperoni

Viernes: Yogur, queso en tiras y muffin

Información relevante

Puedes obtener información importante y actual sobre la Escuela Primaria Jefferson escaneando este código QR o haciendo clic en el enlace aquí. Esto es especialmente útil para las familias que llegan nuevas a Jefferson.



Puedes encontrar información relevante sobre la Escuela Primaria Jefferson, como el manual del estudiante, listas de útiles, menús mensuales de desayuno y almuerzo, calendario, boletines anteriores y más en <https://www.ioniaschools.org/jefferson>.

Detalles de la escuela

Directora: Sra. Leila McDonald.

Horario escolar: 8:40 a. m. a 3:35 p. m.

Secretaria: Sra. Alexandra Naab.

Horario de atención: 8:00 a. m. a 4:00 p. m.

Consejera: Sra. Laken Colby.

