



The HOOT

December 2025

OWL Community Newsletter

Because Kids Awards School Recipient
2025: John McCandless STEM Charter



Principal's Message

Hello OWL Families,

December is here and is the month full of all things merry and bright! 'Tis the season for compassion, appreciation and giving. Let's be grateful for our school community and the partnerships we create. Let's continue to work together towards providing our students with a space of learning, growing and belonging. And, let's take time to appreciate one another, engage with each other and value our time together this school year. Happy Holidays to all of you from all of us at JMC...



We have exciting things coming up this month that are sure to put the holiday spirit in all of us. Please see the calendar below to take note of all the happenings at JMC in December!

In Partnership,
Dawn Archer
Principal



JMC Band & Choir Winter Concert

We invite you to come and enjoy the music & voices of our JMC band & choir students! Under the direction of Music Educator, Ainsley Berryhill and Choir Teacher, Natassjah Diaz, our OWLS will put on a performance that is sure to get everyone in the holiday spirit!

Elementary Band & Elementary Choir @ 6:00

Intermediate Elementary Band & Middle

School Band @ 7:00

We hope you'll join us!

December Happenings

12/1: Early Release @ 1:30

12/4: Stockton KINGS Winter Wonderland
Game @ 7:00 - Order discounted tickets [here](#)

12/5: Friday Flag Salute

12/6: Check Lost & Found

12/10: 8th Grade History Field Trip

12/10: Winter Concert - OWLS Nest

Elementary Band & Choir @ 6:00

Intermediate Elementary Band & Middle
School Band @ 7:00

12/12: Spirit Day Friday

12/12: Hour of Code

12/12: Check Lost & Found

12/15-12/19: Spirit Week...more details to
come!

12/15: Chipotle Dine-Out Fundraiser...flyer to
come soon!

12/15: Late Release @ 3:15

12/15: ELAC Meeting @ 3:45 - Perch

12/17: 6th Grade Field Trip to California
Academy of Sciences @ 9:00-6:30

12/17: LUSD Board Meeting @ 7:00 - Beverly
Holt Boardroom

12/18: JMC Board Meeting @ 6:00 - OWLS
Nest

12/19: Friday Flag Salute

**12/19: Early Release @ 1:30/Check Lost &
Found**

12/22-1/2: Winter Break





PTSA News

Dear JMC Families,

Looking for ways to support JMC while crossing off your holiday shopping list? We've got you covered!

Here are just a few ways to give back:

1. **Holiday See's Candy:** Sweeten the holidays with delicious treats from our candy shop.
2. **JMC Spirit Wear:** Show your Owl pride with 25% off all merchandise!
3. **Box Tops:** Earn cash for our school with Box Tops for Education!
4. **Marina Market:** Stock up on groceries and a portion of your purchase will go back to JMC.
5. **Chipotle Dine-Out — December 15th:** Take a night off from cooking and support our school. Flyers will be coming home soon—mark your calendars!

Find all the details and links to each fundraiser on our

Linktree: <https://linktr.ee/JMCOwliance>



San Joaquin County Spelling Bee Champion...Annalisa Casillas!

CONGRATULATIONS to JMC 5th grader,
Annalisa Casillas, for her First Place win in the
San Joaquin County Spelling Bee on

December 1st! Annalisa advanced to the County Spelling Bee after
earning 3rd Place in our LUSD Spelling Bee in November. She now
moves on to compete in the State Spelling Bee in April! GOOD
LUCK, Annalisa! JMC is proud of you and we'll be cheering you
on...HOOT, HOOT, HOOT!



Important Drop-Off & Pick-Up Reminders!

- Follow **safe driving practices** for drop-off and pick-up
- Pull **all the way forward** when dropping off your student in order to prevent blocking the flow of traffic
- If arriving after dismissal time, please pick up your student by **1:45 on Monday** and **3:30 on Tuesday-Friday**
- **Keep open communication** with your student's teacher
- Please **do not park in and/or block areas of surrounding businesses**. Park along the street or arrive closer to the end of dismissal time at 3:30
- Please **do not park in the painted RED zones**.
- Please be **patient & appropriate** when talking with school staff and family members

We appreciate your cooperation...THANK YOU!



Contact info

If you have any comments, questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact us. Please reach out via the following means:

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