

JENKINS MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Jenkins Families,

The past two years have been an extraordinary journey for the Jenkins Middle School community. As our students and staff learned and grew in different buildings with grade levels separated, our families demonstrated incredible flexibility, patience, and support. We recognize that these changes created challenges for everyone, and we sincerely appreciate your partnership and commitment to Jenkins throughout this transition. Together, we persevered, remained focused on our students, and continued moving forward.

It is with great excitement that we welcome all three grade levels back home to Jenkins Middle School for the 2026–2027 school year! Students will return to a beautiful campus featuring a brand-new addition and a completely renovated portion of the building. These improvements include updated technology, modern furnishings, flexible learning spaces, and a media center unlike any other in the area. While we are excited about our new learning environment, what excites us even more is the opportunity to reunite our entire school community under one roof as we continue building on Jenkins' tradition of excellence. We look forward to strengthening our academic programs, fostering meaningful relationships, and creating an even stronger school community where every student can thrive. Once construction is complete, we look forward to inviting students, families, and community members to tour our state-of-the-art facility and celebrate this exciting new chapter together.

Below you will find important information about the start of the school year. Because construction is wrapping up, some details may change, and we appreciate your continued patience and understanding. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (719) 328-5302 or (719) 650-7251.

Each year, I like to share a message that reflects what we believe at Jenkins Middle School.

To Our Parents and Guardians: Thank you for entrusting us with your child each day. We are committed to partnering with you to help every student achieve their personal best. Strong relationships are built on trust, respect, and open communication, and we look forward to working together throughout the year. Middle school is a time of tremendous growth, and with that growth comes challenges. We know students will experience successes, setbacks, and opportunities to learn from both. Our goal is to provide a safe, supportive environment that encourages students to take on challenges, build resilience, and develop the confidence they need to succeed. Together, we can help them grow academically, socially, and emotionally.

To Our Students: We believe in you and your potential. Your teachers, counselors, support staff, and administrators are here to encourage, support, and challenge you to be your best. Don't be afraid to ask questions, try new things, or make mistakes—some of life's greatest lessons come from perseverance and learning through challenges. Every day is an opportunity to grow, and we can't wait to see all that you accomplish this year.

We are excited for a fantastic school year and look forward to partnering with our Jenkins' families to make 2026–2027 a year of learning, growth, and success for every student.

To be transparent and to make sure we are following through with our commitments, I am sharing with you the focus of our building for this year.

- **Create a safe environment by implementing common practices and expectations across the building by using programs such as e-Pass and Behavior Support (Jag Bucks) to support this work.**
- **Focus on building strong, appropriate school relationships with students by continuing to implement Capturing Kids' Hearts. CKH uses reengagement strategies for students that help in supporting positive behavior in the classroom.**
- **Focus on active student engagement/agency and active participation by using a variety of tools which include Kagan Structures, Instructional Empowerment, Depth and Complexity Prompts and Icons, and Hands on Activities.**
- **Use data to drive instruction and to inform us on how students are doing with mastering the content.**
- **Be solution focused.**

Please continue reading for key details and information for a successful start to the school year.

The first day of school for 6th grade students is Tuesday, August 11, 2026. This will be a day where 6th graders will learn about Jenkins, be able to run through their schedule of classes and participate in a 6th grade school assembly. The school day starts at 8:35 am and ends at 3:44 pm. Families can pick up a copy of their student's schedule on Preview Day (August 10th, see below) or view the schedule on PowerSchool. Throughout the day, adults will be in all the hallways to help students get to class. Lastly, there are fun activities planned so that students can learn about the school, their classmates, and their teachers.

On Wednesday, August 12th, all students will report to Jenkins. This will be a normal day at school where students can learn where their classes are and their schedule. Families can pick up a copy of their students' schedule on Preview Day (August 10th, see below) or view the schedule on PowerSchool. The administrative team will review expectations during grade level assemblies for the first full week of school. Throughout the day, adults will be in all the hallways to help students get to class.

Transportation

Bus route [LINK](#) and general transportation information [LINK](#) can be found on the district website via the links here.

- If your child walks to school, please remind them to cross streets at designated crosswalks on and off campus.
- If you drop your child off, please pay attention to the directions of our crossing guard, campus security and staff members to ensure a safe and efficient drop-off. **The first week of drop-off/pick-up will be hectic and take longer than usual.**
- Student Arrival & Breakfast: Breakfast is provided each day in the cafeteria and students can enter the building at 8:10 am, otherwise students can enter the building at 8:30 am.

Bell Schedule for 2026-27

Click here for the link to the bell schedule (this will also be added to the webpage): [LINK](#)

Student Code of Conduct

You may view the Student Code of Conduct located on our Jenkins website. We will also review student expectations during the first full week of school during grade level assemblies.

School Calendar

The Jenkins Middle School calendar is available on our website. The calendar is updated as needed.

School Lunch and Free and Reduced Lunch Application

Please visit the D11 Nutrition Services website for more information at: [LINK](#)

Back to School Night/Open House Parents/Guardians, please mark your calendars!

Thursday, August 20th (5:30-7:00)

JOIN the WATCH D.O.G.S/Heroes of the Hallway/M.O.M.S.

Parents/Guardians/Grandparents, etc. serve on campus for one day or many each year under the leadership of a program coordinator and the guidance of a school principal or designated administrator. The focus is to support students with making good choices.

PTA

The Parent Teacher Association invites and encourages all parents/guardians to be an active part of our school family. The PTA will be reaching out to families to encourage membership and involvement. The PTA will put out information regarding meeting dates and times.

Sports Information

For information regarding sports please go to the Jenkins website under Athletics: [LINK](#). Remember: physicals need to be completed prior to participating in sports. Please check out the Jenkins Facebook page or Instagram page for information on \$10 physicals!

Counseling Services

Our services are available to all students and parents. These services are to support and guide all students so they can get the most out of their middle school experience. Students may make an appointment to meet with their counselors through email. Parents/Guardians are encouraged to contact their child's counselor to discuss any concerns or questions that they may have.

Student Attendance

Regular and punctual patterns of attendance are important to student success in school and are expected. Students are expected to be in attendance every day when school is in session as required by law and board policy. If a student is absent, their parent/guardian must notify the school of the absence. If a parent/guardian is unable to call in, the student must bring a note to the attendance office the day they return to school. If a note or phone call is not received the absence will be considered unexcused. An accumulation of excused

and/or unexcused absences will result in compulsory attendance action. **You can call the school attendance line at 719 328-5313**, to report your child's absence each day.

Cell Phone and Electronic Devices

We will continue to use Yondr Bags this year. For those of you new to middle school, we will share more information.

Immunization Information

Click on the link [HERE](#) for information on immunizations from Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Administrator responsibilities for each grade level are as follows:

Mr. Krueger and TBD – 7th grade TBD – 8th grade Mr. Krueger – 6th grade

WHAT IS S.A.C.??? School Accountability Committee/School Advisory Committee

Created by state statute in the 1970's, these committees are comprised of parents, teachers, administrators, students, and community members. The focus of this committee is to inform, encourage, and provide opportunities for all stakeholders to be involved in the planning and evaluation of the school's instructional program and quality improvement processes. Please contact Tony Jackowski, the principal, if you are interested in being on this committee.

Communication

Strong home-school communication is essential for the success of our students and school. Several mechanisms that we will be using are our School Website, Instagram Account and Facebook page (we will share the pages in the upcoming weeks). Also, we will look to communicate with families via a voicemail system where you will hear a message from the school. Lastly, we communicate through a monthly Jenkins Newsletter that we email home. Parents can also opt in to receive the school's daily announcements. ***We will use telephone numbers from our online system, so please make sure this information is up to date so that you can receive important messages about school matters, events, and happenings at the middle school.***

In closing, please know that the main goal of every staff member of Jenkins Middle School is to ensure that each student is provided the opportunity for a positive, productive, and safe school experience. This is our commitment to you. Please enjoy the remaining days of the summer vacation, and we look forward with much excitement and anticipation to the first day of school and to another outstanding school year!

Very sincerely yours,

Anthony J. Jackowski
Principal

Chris Krueger
Assistant Principal

We invite all students and families to our **Preview Day on Monday August 10th**. During this time, you can see the new renovations and construction at Jenkins, pick up your class schedule and do a self-guided tour of the school. *Staff will not be available on this day as they will be participating in professional development.*

- For 6th graders visiting Jenkins **please arrive between 10:00AM - 12:00PM**
- For 7th graders visiting Jenkins **please arrive between 12:00PM - 2:00PM**
- For 8th graders visiting Jenkins **please arrive between 2:00PM - 4:00PM**

We understand families may need to attend during a different time slot but please try to arrive during the scheduled time. This allows the staff handing out schedules the opportunity to interact with families.

For anyone interested in seeing the building, we will have an event where everyone in the community is invited to see the new building and renovations. This will be communicated separately.

Computers will be given out for 8th graders during the first 2 weeks of school. A Technology Agreement ([ENGLISH](#) or [SPANISH](#)) will need to be completed for the computer. The student and parent/guardian must sign the technology agreement. In 6th and 7th grade, we will be moving to a different model where computers are provided in each classroom, and they will not go home. If a family in one of these grade levels does not have a computer at their house, there will be a signing out process.

This all takes place assuming construction in our building is complete.