The JMS Update

November 13, 2026

Jaguars Represent with Class!!!!

Our Jaguars represented us with exciting competition on and off the courts this week! Congratulations to our ESports Team for their win this week against Calle Mayor Bulldogs! Way to go as a team and keep up the great teamwork and continuing to represent our school with pride and sportsmanship. The team will play against the Casimir Cougars on November 17.

On the court our volleyball teams split matches with Hull Hawks. Both matches went the full 3 games and came down to the last match points. It was a battle to the end with the girls winning and the boys unable to pull through at the end (however there was a questionable call or two). The energy and quality of play were spectacular with both teams leaving everything they had on the court. Our teams will host Richardson at home next Thursday, all are welcome to attend and support our Jaguars!

Good luck to all our teams in their next event and continue to represent Jaguars in Respectful, Responsible and Safe ways!

Emergency Supples Donations -- Update!

Thank you to our wonderful JMS community for making donations towards our Classroom Emergency supplies pool!

Thanks to your generosity, we have collected the required numbers, and will be stocking every classroom with some snacks to have on hand in case of an emergency.



8th Grade Families!

Reminder: Early College Virtual Information Meeting



Torrance Unified will be hosting a virtual informational meeting on **Tuesday, November 17, 2026, at 6:00 p.m.** for all parents of current 8th-grade students who may have an interest in applying for the Early College Program offered at North and Torrance High School.

In partnership with El Camino College, North and Torrance offers an Early College Program where students have the opportunity to get a jumpstart on their college coursework, enroll in a more diverse offering of classes, obtain a Seal of Biliteracy before their Sophomore year, and much more.

We encourage all interested students and families to attend to learn more about the programs, benefits, expectations, and application process.

Please **click here** for the Zoom meeting link.

On Wednesday afternoon 11/18, the application notification will also be sent to the families. The deadline for students' applications is Friday, January 8th. Teachers will have until Wednesday, January 13th to submit the recommendation .

Building Bridges Resources Hub

For those that could use a bit of extra help we have the Building Bridges Resource Hub. A guide to support services and resources for students, family, and staff. (Please note that listed programs

are for informational purposes and are not presented, endorsed, recommended, supervised or sponsored by Building Bridges and JMS). We hope this is helpful for either our JMS families that might need a little extra support or someone they know.

In addition to these resources Vida's Closet will be hosting a one day pop-up on December 5 one of our community partners started Vida's Closet, to support families with clothing (every day needs, graduation, interview wear, etc) They have collected donations of pre-loved clothing and some new for families to come and shop. Most clothing is in Women's and Men's sizing. That however pretty much fits most middle - high school students. All the event details are in the flyer including registration link.



Sign up to Sponsor a Family for the Holidays



As the holiday season approaches, some families in our community face challenges that make this time of year especially difficult. For students experiencing homelessness or in foster care, the holidays can feel overwhelming & isolating.
Your generosity can provide not just gifts, but the warmth of connection & the joy of being seen & valued. Join us in making a difference, your sponsorship can transform lives. Let's create a brighter holiday for those who need it most. Sign up here to sponsor a family



Volunteers Needed to assist with Adventures in Art's Project 2!
AIA needs volunteers to assist our docents with our next Adventures in Art project on Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday, 12/2, 12/3, & 12/4.
Art experience is not required, just a love of art, and a willingness to share it with students. All volunteers must be Raptor cleared.
Sign up for a time slot today! https://tinyurl.com/JMSAIA26Project2
Questions? Email jmsaiaart@gmail.com

Digital Weekly Tips for Families

Protect Sleep First

Check out the link for:
Roblox is a huge platform of player-made games where kids and adults play side by side. Age-appropriate settings for chat, spending, and content help, though no setting can catch everything.

The Gift of Giving

CJSF will start the canned food drive on Monday. Cans/boxes will be dropped off in front of the office. The donations will be delivered to the Salvation Army in Lomita on November 20 after school.



FALL & HOLIDAY FUNDRAISER IS OFFICIALLY LIVE!

Help support **Jefferson Middle School PTSA** today through **December 4th** with our Charleston Wrap Fundraiser!

Over 2,500 items available online!

Shop custom gift wrap, gourmet treats, kitchen essentials, personalized gifts, tote bags, and seasonal holiday favorites!

100% Online & Direct Home Delivery:

Purchases ship directly to your supporters' doorsteps—perfect for gifting across town or across the country!

Prizes for Students:

- **Register in 30 seconds** to score an instant registration prize!
- Level up to unlock even more awesome prizes as you sell!
- Share student links instantly via text, email, and social media.

How to Support:

Register your student with the link below! Use Organization ID 32731.

https://registercw.com/registrant/registration

Don't have a specific student to support? Use our general PTSA link to shop directly!

https://registercw.com/gateway?organizationMidasId=32731

Thank you for supporting JMS PTSA!





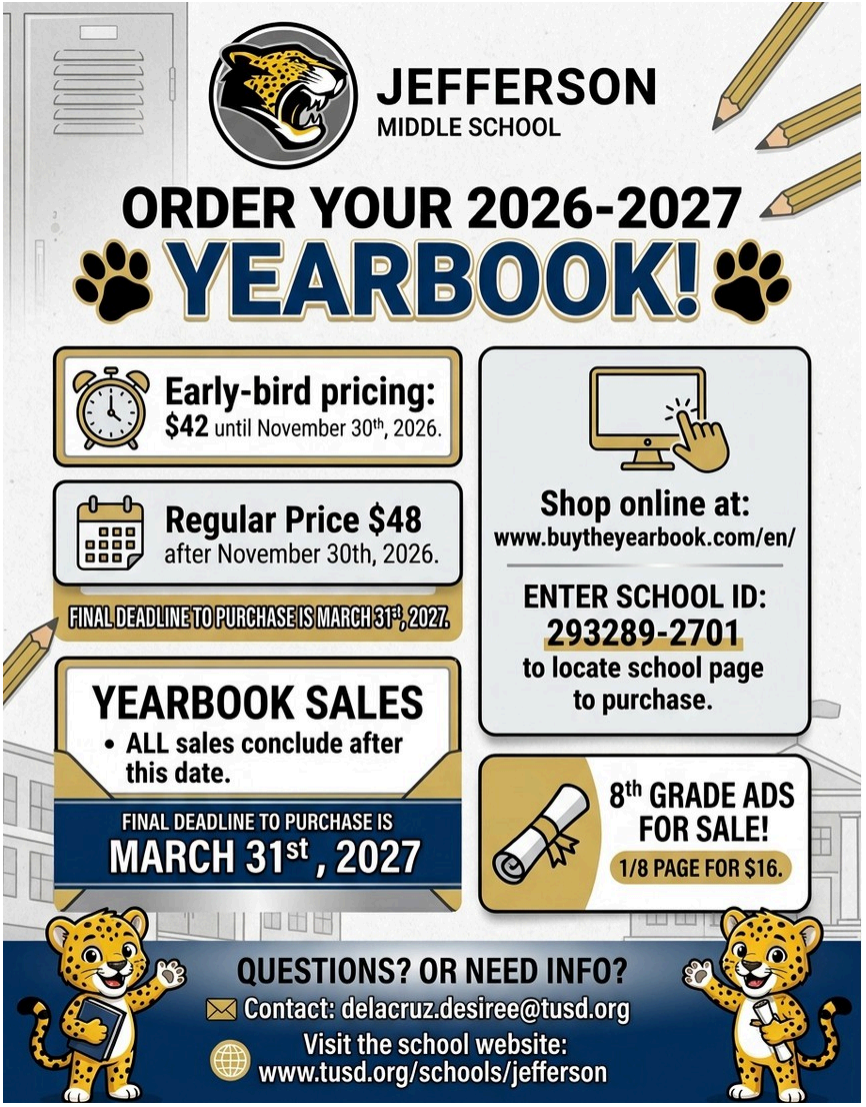
Capture the Memories

The 2026–2027 JMS Yearbook is Now on Sale!

Don't let the best moments of this school year slip away! From spirit days and sports games to classroom laughs and everyday fun, the JMS Yearbook captures all the incredible memories our Jaguars are making this year. You can lock in the pre-sale price of $42 by ordering before November 30th, 2026. After November 30th, the regular price will increase to $48, with a final purchasing deadline of March 31st, 2027.

Attention 8th-grade families: you can celebrate your graduating Jaguar with a dedicated tribute in the yearbook for just $16! Share proud messages, showcase favorite baby photos, and create a lasting memory they will treasure forever.

To secure your yearbook copy or learn more about 8th-grade dedications, visit our Jefferson School Website. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to our Yearbook Coordinator, Desiree De La Cruz, at delacruz.desiree@tusd.org. Order today so your student doesn't miss out!"



Class of 2027

JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL

CLASS OF 2027

Let's Make Their Last Year One to Remember!

Dear Jefferson 8th Grade Families,

Can you believe our kids are already in their final year at Jefferson? It feels like just yesterday they were finding their way around middle school, and now high school is right around the corner! Before they head off on their next adventure, we want to give them a chance to celebrate the friendships and memories they've made together.

As fellow parents, our 8th Grade Committee is excited to plan three special moments for the Class of 2027:

- **8th Grade Dance** — An evening of music, dancing, food, decorations, and a Photo Booth.
- **Aloha Picnic** — A fun day together with food, games, activities, music, and a Photo Booth.
- **8th Grade Promotion** — A meaningful celebration of everything our students have accomplished.

Every Contribution Makes a Difference

To help make these celebrations possible, we're asking families to consider a **suggested donation of $100 per student.** These funds help pay for food, refreshments, decorations, music, entertainment, Photo Booths, and other event essentials. We'll also host **restaurant nights and other fundraisers** throughout the year to help cover additional expenses.

We know every family's circumstances are different, especially as the holidays approach. **Please give whatever amount works for your family** — whether that's $100, a smaller amount, or support at an upcoming fundraiser. Every bit is appreciated, and all students can participate regardless of a family's ability to donate.

SUGGESTED DONATION $100 per student	**REQUESTED BY** November 20, 2026
CHECKS PAYABLE TO Jefferson Middle School	**FLEXIBLE GIVING** Accepted through December 31, 2026

Please return your check and the form below to the school office in an envelope marked **"8th Grade Direct Donation."** We hope to receive donations by November 20 for planning purposes, but contributions are welcome through the end of December.

Thank you for being part of our Jefferson family and helping us give our kids a send-off filled with laughter, friendship, and memories they'll carry into high school. **We truly appreciate you!**
With gratitude, Jefferson Middle School 8th Grade Committee

DONATION RETURN SLIP | CLASS OF 2027

Please return this slip with your donation to the school office.

☐ $100 suggested donation ☐ Other amount: $_____

Student name: _____

Parent/guardian: _____

Email: _____

☐ Yes! Please contact me about volunteering for 8th grade activities.

Checks payable to: Jefferson Middle School PTSA



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Do you have a RALPHS REWARDS CARD?

Donate to Jefferson Middle School PTSA EVERY time you shop!

Click HERE to register your RALPHS Card.

What is Ralphs Community Contribution program?

Ralphs Community Contribution program gives back to your organization every time you shop at Ralphs. All you have to do is register your Ralphs card with our PTSA's number.

How to Register for Ralphs Rewards or link previous Ralphs Rewards account to Jefferson PTSA:

You can register for Ralphs Rewards at any customer service desk at any local Ralphs store, call customer service at 1-800- 443-4438, or register online at www.ralphs.com.

- You must create an online account to enroll in the Community rewards program.
- Once you log in, click on your name in the right hand corner, then click on my account.
- Scroll to Community Rewards and enroll.
  Jefferson PTSA's organization code is **CT390**.
- Reward cards must be used at checkout to make each purchase count.

PTSA Membership Raffle!!!

Join the fun! Every **new PTSA membership purchased between October 15 and November 15** will be entered into a raffle for a chance to win **one of TWO $25 gift cards** to local favorite hangouts!
Join today, support our Jaguars, and you could be a winner!
Every membership counts. Every student benefits.
Scan the QR code on the flyer to join, or go to -- https://jointotem.com/ca/torrance/jefferson-middle-school-ptsa

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Holiday photos made easy - and they support Jefferson Middle School!

Looking for beautiful family photos for your holiday cards, gifts, or keepsakes? Take advantage of our **JMS Fund Photo Fundraiser**!

For just **$50**, you'll receive a **15-minute family mini session** at one of several beautiful local locations of your choice, plus **2 high-resolution digital images**.

Featured locations include:

Hermosa Beach Under the Pier

Palos Verdes Eucalyptus Grove

Manhattan Beach / Hermosa Beach Greenbelt Trail

Torrance Beach

...and more!

It's a quick, affordable way to capture some beautiful family memories **while supporting Jefferson Middle School!**

$50 • 15 minutes • 2 high-resolution images

Book your session today and help support JMS!

Perfect for holiday cards, family gifts, or simply capturing this moment in time.

https://app.acuityscheduling.com/schedule/0d47938e/appointment/95500849?appointmentTypeIds[]=95500849


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PALOS VERDES EUCALYPTUS GROVE
HERMOSA BEACH
MANHATTAN BEACH GREENBELT TRAIL
TORRANCE BEACH
...and more!
Perfect for Holiday Cards, Gifts & More!
HELP SUPPORT JEFFERSON MIDDLE SCHOOL WHILE CAPTURING BEAUTIFUL FAMILY MEMORIES!



Check Out All the Ways to Support PTSA!

🚨FLASH RAFFLE ALERT!

PTSA Direct Donations Make A Difference & Have Perks!!!

Help the Jaguars thrive! Jefferson Middle School PTSA has launched our Direct Donation Drive with a goal of reaching **200 family donors**. Every dollar stays right here at JMS to fund Camp Jaguar, Field Trips, Teacher Enrichment, STEM Nights, and more. No amount is too small, and suggested giving levels start at just $25! Plus, donations of $250 or more (including corporate matching) receive a **FREE Jefferson Yearbook**!
Donate today by cash, check, or online!

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