

THE JEFFERSON JOURNAL

☆☆☆ News from Jefferson Elementary School ☆☆☆

Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on the unceded lands of the Spokane Tribe. The Spokane people shared this place with other tribes through their relations, resources, history, trade, and ceremony. We thank the caretakers of this land, who lived, and continue to live here since Time Immemorial. This land holds the knowledge, culture, and spirit of "The People of the River."



PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Good day to each of you,

Last Monday saw Washington State's masking guidance change to having them be optional in school buildings. And I wish to report that last week, following this change, reminded me how proud I am to be a member of this community. I am not aware of a single instance where there was conflict or disrespectful actions toward anyone who has chosen to wear a mask or who has chosen not to. This says so much about our parents at home who helped prepare scholars for the change and to our staff who, through morning meetings and other conversations, also prepared them for a respectful transition.

There will be many, many times in the lives of our young scholars where they will be in situations where others see things differently than they do. And that is ok. What a great life lesson for them to learn early. And with how well our children have all done with this, I think many adults in our community and the larger world could learn a lot from them.

This event reminds me of some wise words from author John Barth who said, "Remember that there is always another way of seeing things: That's the beginning of wisdom."

The future is very bright with these future adults leading the way!

Brent



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MARCH 21, 2022

CALENDAR

April 4-8
Spring Break

April 22
Early Release
1:45 pm


Thursdays Are T24 Spirit Days

Join your fellow Jefferson scholars and staff each week in celebrating going beyond high school graduation with T24! Every Thursday wear any T (technical school) 2 (community college) 4 (university) gear and let everyone know that you know the importance of learning plans beyond high school!

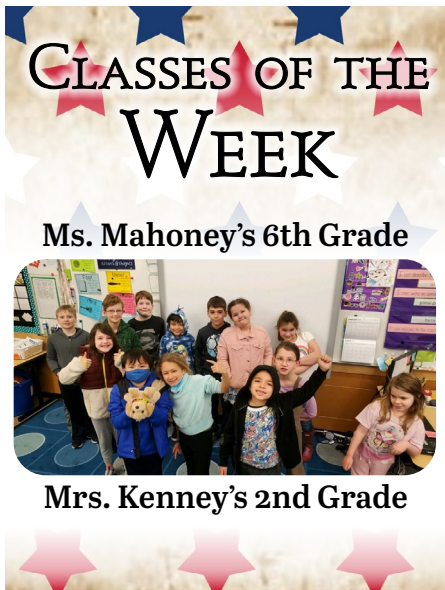


Like Us on Facebook

Family and community members are encouraged to like Jefferson on Facebook to keep up on the latest happenings and to see many more pictures of events than are unable to fit in an issue of The Jefferson Journal. This QR code can take you right there!

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A “Super” Meal Option

Both breakfast and lunch at Jefferson are part of a federally subsidized program to feed children across the United States. There are strict nutrition and portion size guidelines that schools must follow as part of being reimbursed for costs associated with the program. While all school meals are free in the United States again this year, the portion size may not be enough for all students.

Families are permitted to add money to their child’s lunch account for them to order extra milk or an additional entrée.



[Al-a-carte prices](#) can be found on the district’s website. It is easy to add money by visiting the [School Bucks website](#) and setting up an account. There must be money on the account before a super can be requested.

Scholars ordering “supers” are asked to be discreet about the practice, as there are families who do not wish for their scholar to have this option or who may have challenges funding this extra expenditure.

Parent-Teacher Conferences/ Early Release Start Next Week!

Beginning Monday, March 28th and continuing through April 1st, students will be dismissed at 1:00 for conferences. If you have not signed up, please do so today! For teacher’s using the district’s conference scheduler, signing up can be done through the [sign up portal](#). For others, families should work directly with the teacher to sign up through this Friday, March 25th and with the school office after that.



THE PTG SCOOP

1. The next PTG meeting is Wednesday, April 13th, at 7pm via Zoom with a possible in person option. Watch social media for the link!
2. Conference Week is coming, and so it’s time to treat our wonderful staff with... SOUP! If you think you can bring soup on Wednesday, March 30th, please see our Soup for Staff SignUp Genius here! <https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/showSignUp/30eod49afad2aa2f58-soup3>
3. Your PTG Needs You! We were not able to hold the Variety Show this year due to lack of organizers. Upcoming events this spring include Fun Run & Play Day, both great Jefferson traditions! If you would be willing to volunteer, please reach out to your PTG through social media or email jeffersonpatriotsptg@gmail.com and let us know!

March Madness..... Dreambox style!

March Madness is here, and whether you are a Zag fan or not, March is always



an exciting month. Here at Jefferson, scholars began a mathematics Dreambox March Madness challenge today that will last the rest of the month. Families are encouraged to cheer on their youngsters, and provide Dreambox time at home if needed, as they work to score for themselves and for their classroom team! Here is the gameplan:

1. If a scholar meets the goal of completing 5 Dreambox lessons a week for two weeks in March, they will win a basketball stress ball!
2. For every week each student meets their 5-lesson goal, they earn one point for their class. The two classes with the most points (averaged) at the end of each week will receive an extra recess and a *Smart Snack* treat from Mr. Perdue and Mrs. Gage.
3. The class with the highest percentage over the entire competition will win a mystery prize to be announced at the end!

The MADNESS begins today and ends on Friday, April 1st.

February Citizens of the Month Named:

In a virtual assembly held Tuesday, March 8th, Jefferson recognized its February Citizens of the Month. Congratulations to the scholars who demonstrated exceptional aspects of one or more of Jefferson's PRIDE expectations or showed tremendous growth. Pictures of the February Citizens of the Month and a recording of the virtual assembly can be found on [Jefferson's Facebook page](#).

Kindergarten

Tiago Andrade
Sadie Trader
Zia Lo
Zariah Davis
Olivia Miller
Saraphina Shaffer
Stella Dimeling
Lucille Grant

First Grade

Henry Vasey-Vehrs
Frankie Sanche
Annabel Brower
Tanner Thompson
Delaney Dorsh
Ava Waite
Leotie Henderson
Matteo Haro-Camacho

Second Grade

Kennedy Lipske
Anela Soggi
Caleb Coronia
Wesley Bialkowsky
Marshall Chatfield
Laney Sykora
Levi Sampson
Zachary Gbur
Gatlynn Davis

Fourth Grade

Ben Bartlett
Thomas Marcilla
Alexis Chadwick
Kenley Bohlen
Molly Ward
Alice Cook
Darien Johnson
Problem Solving
Owen Cencich
Liliana Aldana
Jayce Casella
Third Grade
Nickolas Allen
Matt Wilson-Belnap
Charlotte Campbell
Cailyn Lytle
Van Bookey
Maggie Hodge
Isla Knoll
Kayden Riofrio
Kendall Weber
Tenley Stewart
Benjamin Murray

Fifth Grade

Raven Wescott
Olivia Wheelwright
Atticus Shafer
Finn Thatcher
Delilah Whitney
Chloe Geuther
Rowan Norris
Kaxai Lo
Koji Meier
Nina Martinelli
Axel Paul
Ada Dempsey
Logan Newkirk
Gavin Waite

Sixth Grade

Emily Reykdal
Sullivan Sandusky
Lauren Henry
Peyton Brake
Camille Wilson
Alex Walker
Czas Farrish

