

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,

It was so wonderful to have so many families at Jefferson for conference week. Thank you for making time to sit down with our teachers and partner on how to make these last few months of the school year solid!

This week, I want to bring your attention to Jefferson's stance on discrimination. An earlier version of the information shown below has been included in most issues of The Jefferson Journal and can also be found in each family's Jefferson Family Calendar and Handbook that was sent home on the first day of school. This information, which is the same for all schools in the Spokane School District, details our stance against discrimination and steps that can be taken to report it.

Spokane Public Schools complies with all federal and state rules and regulations and does not discriminate in the admission, treatment, employment, or access to its programs or activities on the basis of age, sex, marital status, race, color, creed, national origin, the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, to the use of a trained guide or service animal by a person with a disability, sexual orientation including gender expression or gender identity, or honorably discharged veteran or military status. This holds true for all students who are interested in participating in educational programs and/or extracurricular school activities, and provides equal access to the Boy Scouts and other designated youth groups.

Inquiries regarding compliance and/or grievance procedures may be directed to the school district's Title IX/Staff Civil Rights Officer, ADA Officer, Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)/Student Civil Rights Officer and/or 504 Compliance Officer.

The following **Civil Rights Compliance Coordinators** have been designated to handle questions and complaints of alleged discrimination:

- Civil Rights Coordinator and Title IX Coordinator: [Jodi Harmon](#), 509.354.7344
- Section 504 Coordinator: [Melanie Smith](#), 509.354.7284

Other district contacts:

- ADA Officer: Stephanie Busch, 509.354.5993
- Affirmative Action Officer: Nancy Lopez-Williams, 509-354-5651
- AHERA Officer: Bob Turner, 509.354.7143
- ALE Officer: Heather Bybee, 509.354.7361
- Certification Officer: Cindy Coleman, 509.354.7318
- Claims Agent: Rebecca Doughty, 509.354.7298
- Contract Officer: Cindy Coleman, 509.354.7318
- Copyright Compliance Officer: Mark Martell, 509.354.7212

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CALENDAR

April 22
Early Release
1:45 pm

Playground Closed for One Hour After School Each Day

The Jefferson playground is closed for 60 minutes after school lets out each day. The playground is reserved for after-school activities and for Jefferson's Express Childcare program. Families are asked to remind their scholars that they are to go straight home after school. Families picking up students are also asked to help by having their children stay off the equipment until after 4pm.



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Principal's Corner Continued:

- Equal Opportunity Officer: Nancy Lopez-Williams, 509-354-5651
- Harassment, Intimidation, Bullying (HIB)/Student Civil Rights Officer: Melanie Smith, 509.354.7284
- Personnel Officer: Nancy Lopez-Williams, 509-354-5651
- Public Records Officer: Terri LeFors, 509.354.7395
- Safety/OSHA/WISHA Officer: Rebecca Doughty, 509.354.7298
- Secretary, Board of Directors: Adam Swinyard, 509.354.7268

Address: 200 N Bernard Street, Spokane 99201-0282.

You can report discrimination and discriminatory harassment to any school staff member or to the district's Civil Rights Officer, listed above. You also have the right to file a complaint (see below).

- [Spokane Public Schools Policy 3210: Nondiscrimination](#)
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The information above can also be found on the district's website: <https://www.spokaneschools.org/Page/1564>

Please reach out if you have any questions about the district's policy regarding discrimination or have anything to report.

Make it a great week,

Brent



Brent A. Perdue (he, his, him)

Principal brentp@spokaneschools.org

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Strong math skills are the key to your child's confidence and success. DreamBox transforms the way students learn math at school and at home by delivering a completely individualized learning experience designed to help every student excel.

With DreamBox your child will:

- become a more confident, engaged math student
- receive a completely individualized learning experience
- develop a strong math foundation so he/she can master more advanced concepts



To Log on:

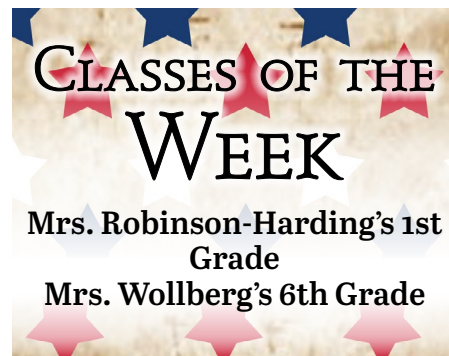
Go to Clever from the district webpage or go to: <https://clever.com/in/spokaneschools>

- Use the same login information you use to logon to your school computer:
- Username: last name + last 4 digits of SPS student Identification # + @sps81.org
- Password: 8 digit birthday (MMDDYYYY)

Crossing Guards and Noon Supervisors Needed!

Jefferson is in need of crossing guards and in building aides to serve as morning and afternoon crossing patrol guards, as well as for the lunchroom and playground during the noon hour. Even if you only have 2 or 3 days per week of availability, consider applying.

The wage for these positions is \$14.99 per hour. It is a great way to get outdoors, interact with students and become more involved in the school that your child or children attend. For more information, please call the Jefferson office at 354-3200 between the hours of 8 and 4 pm.



THE PTG SCOOP

1. The next PTG meeting is this Wednesday, April 13th, at 7pm via Zoom with a possible in person option. Watch social media for the link!
2. Your PTG Needs You! 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!

Kindergarten Registration Continues

Do you have a young scholar who will turn 5 before August 31st? If so, registration is happening now. Families are encouraged to register online [Enroll/Enrollment Home \(spokaneschools.org\)](https://www.spokaneschools.org). After your online registration is complete, you will be contacted about visiting Jefferson to complete the process. You will need to bring the following with you to the school:



1. A [birth certificate](#) or other official verification of age (such as a passport or visa) is required for students who have not previously enrolled in school. Kindergarten students must be 5 on or before Aug. 31; first graders must be 6.
2. [Medically verified immunization records](#) for new students.
3. [Part B Health Record](#) filled out for new students.
4. Proof of residency. This can be a current utility bill.