

# THE JEFFERSON JOURNAL

☆☆☆ News from Jefferson Elementary School ☆☆☆

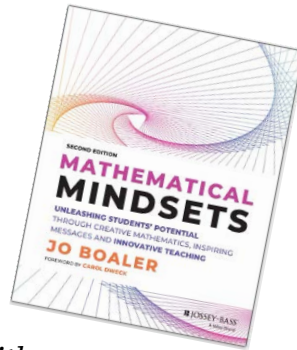
*Land Acknowledgement: We acknowledge that we are on the unceded lands of the Spokane Tribe. The Spokane people shared this place with other tribes through their relations, resources, history, trade, and ceremony. We thank the caretakers of this land, who lived, and continue to live here since Time Immemorial.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



## PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Parents and Community Members,

For the past three weeks, we have been exploring a powerful concept known as Mindset. We have learned that individuals with fixed mindsets believe that qualities such as intelligence or talent are innate and unchangeable. You either have it or you do not; you're either smart or you are not. Those with a growth mindset, however, understand that the brain grows through struggle and persistence, much like our muscles grow when working out. Studies show that those with a growth mindset reach higher levels of success than those with fixed mindsets do, in part, because they embrace challenges, not as a reflection of who they are, but as a means to their own fulfillment and understanding.



In the coming weeks, I will be expanding our mindset Journey into the realm of "mathematical mindsets" with another Stanford Researcher, Jo Boaler. With the importance of math success as a lynchpin for future employment at all levels, mathematical mindsets will play an important part in the education of all of Jefferson's children of promise.

Hang on, it is going to be an eye-opening ride!

Brent A. Perdue (he, his, him)

Principal [brentp@spokaneschools.org](mailto:brentp@spokaneschools.org)

## CALENDAR

**January 24**

Unicycle Club 3pm

**January 26**

Elementary Conferences  
No School for Students

**January 27**

Elementary Conferences  
No School for Students

**January 31**

Unicycle Club 3pm

**February 1**

Leadership Meeting  
3:05-3:45pm

**February 2**

Unicycle Class 3-4pm  
Multicultural Club 3-4pm

**February 3**

Semester Break  
No School

**February 7**

Unicycle Class 3-4pm  
PTG Meeting 7pm

**February 9**

Jefferson PTG Glow Party  
Dance 6-7:30pm

JANUARY 23<sup>RD</sup>, 2023

# STAR AWARD

- Finley D.
- Brayson F.
- Isabel B.
- Harrison D.
- Josephine B.
- Atlas S.
- Juliette S.
- Molly B.
- Leona B.
- Rashid R.
- James T.
- Sadie A.
- Ryan M.
- Arden H.
- Raven W.
- Jayne L.
- Gatlynn D.
- Max L.
- Sam S.
- Ben W.
- Leo C.



# THE PTG SCOOP.....

- The next PTG meeting is **Tuesday, Feb 7, 2023**. It will be in the library AND on Zoom at **7pm**. See you there!
- It's never too soon to start thinking about next year. The majority of the PTG Board members will be transitioning away in the 2023-2024 school year, and their roles will need to be filled. Could you step in? Earlier planning opens the door for possible mentorship. Stay tuned for more information and contact PTG with questions.
- Soup For Staff is coming up. Can you make a delicious soup or bring other snacks for our fabulous Jefferson staff during the conference days? Please see our [SignUp Genius](#).
- Mark your calendars for Jefferson's first Family Dance. It is scheduled for **Thursday, Feb 9th from 6-8pm**. More details to come.

## PTG READING NIGHT BRINGS OUT THE READERS!

On Thursday, January 12th, Jefferson families came to school for an evening of magical stories. Kids wore pajamas or fantasy costumes from their favorite stories and enjoyed stories read by Jefferson teachers and principals. Even Jefferson's favorite patriot puppy, Millie, was in on the action! See more pictures from the event on Jefferson's Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane>) and Instagram ([www.instagram.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane](http://www.instagram.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane)) pages.





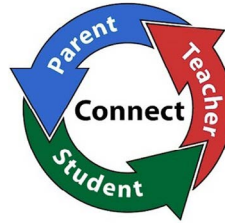
**FROM YOUR**

**Jefferson Scholar & Family Handbook**

(located on the Jefferson Website in the "Students" dropdown menu or click [here](#))

**Parent-Teacher Conferences (page 15)**

In addition to the launch conferences that take place before scholars are in classrooms in the fall, another set of full-day conferences take place in January. The district is no longer doing a conference week with early release days. We will now have two full days for families to meet with teachers (January 26 & 27). This will be an excellent time to discuss a scholar's progress and chart a path for finishing the rest of the year strong.



Many classroom teachers request that students attend the conference as well, and in some cases the student will be involved in leading portions of the conference.

Parents should not hesitate to ask questions about any concerns they might have. Parents are encouraged to bring to the teacher's attention any information which may assist the teacher in meeting a child's individual needs.

**JEFFERSON STAFF AND FAMILIES BUILD BRIDGES, BREAK BREAD**

Jefferson's Building Bridges to Beloved Community series was recently featured in an SPS news story. Check it out here: [Newsroom / More SPS Stories \(spokaneschools.org\)](http://spokaneschools.org/newsroom/more-sps-stories)



**BUS LOOP RESTRICTIONS**

The bus loop is restricted to buses and vehicles with special permission before and after school. This allows for the efficient and safe pick up and drop off of scholars each school day. Other scholars can be dropped off on 37th street in front of the school or along Manito Boulevard in the back.



**ATTENDANCE MATTERS**

Missing a day of school here and there may not seem like much, but absences add up!

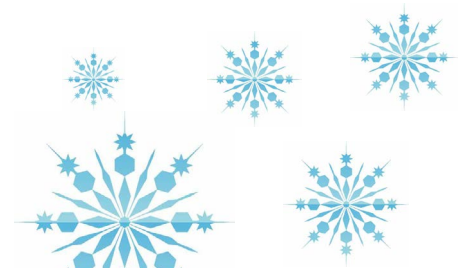
<p><b>When a student misses 2 days a month..</b></p> <p>They will miss <b>20 DAYS</b> a year.</p> <p>They will miss <b>30 HOURS</b> of math over the school year.</p> <p>They will miss <b>60 HOURS</b> of reading &amp; writing over the school year.</p> <p>They will miss over <b>1 YEAR</b> of school by graduation.</p>	<p><b>When a student misses 4 days a month..</b></p> <p>They will miss <b>40 DAYS</b> a year.</p> <p>They will miss <b>60 HOURS</b> of math over the school year.</p> <p>They will miss <b>120 HOURS</b> of reading &amp; writing over the school year.</p> <p>They will miss over <b>2 YEARS</b> of school by graduation.</p>
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**BREAKFAST AND LUNCH AVAILABLE DURING ELEMENTARY CONFERENCES ON JANUARY 26 AND 27**

Breakfast and lunch meal service will be available to all students during



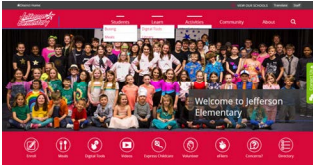
each non-student day this Thursday and Friday. Breakfast will be from 8-10 a.m., and lunch from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Students must be present to pick up meals and should enter the school through the doors at the front of the school by the office.





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**Jefferson Website**



<https://www.spokaneschools.org/jefferson>



**Jefferson Journal Newsletter**



<https://www.spokaneschools.org/domain/2901>

The Jefferson Journal is published every Monday.



**PeachJar Digital Flyers**



<https://portal-bff.peachjar.com/flyers/all/schools/28496>



**Social Media**



<https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane>



<https://www.instagram.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane>



**Parent Teacher Group (PTG)**



<https://bit.ly/3dWipO4>

Sign up here to receive updates from PTG about events, volunteer opportunities and PTG meetings!





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# SCHOOL NIGHT AT THE SPOKANE CHIEFS



**FRIDAY | FEBRUARY 24 | 7:00 PM**  
**JERSEY PILLOW GIVEAWAY**

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