

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

Dear families,

Jefferson's Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) team has been working to update our building-wide expectations to better match the **PurposeFull People** curriculum that supports our social emotional learning efforts. PurposeFull People, from **Character Strong**, sees a focus on a character trait per month throughout the year. The tie into each month with our new school-wide PBIS expectations is shown below:



PBIS School-wide Expectations

Peaceful

Respectful

Showing Integrity

Diligent

Empathetic

PurposeFull People Months

Respect (September)

Responsibility (October)

Gratitude (November)

Empathy (December)

Perseverance (January)

Honesty (February)

Cooperation (March)

Courage (April)

Here at Jefferson, we understand the importance of helping our young scholars grow both their academic and emotional intelligence, for these two concepts combined set them on the path to success in work and life.



Make it a great week!

Brent

Brent A. Perdue (he, his, him)

Principal brentp@spokaneschools.org

CALENDAR

June 5

1st Grade Field Trip to Camp Reed, 10am – 2:30pm

June 6

Jefferson Spirit Day
"Disney Day!"

2nd Grade Field Trip to Manito Park, 8:45am – 12pm

Student Patrol Party, 3pm

PTG Meeting, 7pm
Library or Zoom

June 8

Jefferson PTG Fun Run
10-11am LC Track at Hart Field
Multicultural Club, 3-4pm

June 9

Last Day of PreSchool
for 2022-23

JUNE 5TH, 2023

THE PTG SCOOP...

- The next (and last) PTG meeting of the 22-23 school year will be **Tuesday June 6th at 7pm** in the library or on Zoom. Please note previous editions of the PTG Scoop listed Tuesday as the 5th in error. We apologize for any confusion.
- A scholarship of \$500 will be awarded to a local high school senior who plans to continue his or her education after graduation. Only students who attended Jefferson Elementary for at least one year (any grade) are eligible for this award. Please visit www.jeffersonpatriotsptg.net for the application and more information. Applications are **due June 5, 2023**.
- Field Day will be Wednesday June 14th and it will take a lot of volunteers to make it happen. If you think you can help, check out the [SignUp Genius!](#)
- The 30th annual Jefferson Fun Run is Thursday, June 8th, during school hours. Packets were sent home on May 26th. If you did not receive a packet please reach out to the PTG or Jefferson Office. We have some quick turn around times.
- 6th Grade Graduation is Thursday, June 15th. 5th Grade Graduation is Friday, June 16th. There will be a few volunteer opportunities to serve refreshments (ideally filled by parents of K-4th students) at these events. Watch for a SignUp genius coming soon.
- Please keep an eye on our social media for updates, and email jeffersonpatriotsptg@gmail.com for our mailing list.



STAR AWARD

Soleil M.

Kalya G.

Coco B.

Soraya S.

Cecilia H.

Joey T.

Maci W.

Kavir T.

Corinne N.

Lars H.

Ella H.

Bridgette R.

The Spokane Regional Health District (SRHD) invites you to an informational forum about the upcoming move of their Treatment Services program to 312 W. 8th Avenue in Spokane.

Thursday, June 8

6 - 7 p.m.

Spokane Regional Health District Auditorium
1101 W. College Ave., Spokane

Health Officer Dr. Francisco Velázquez and Treatment Services Division Director Misty Challinor will present on the details of the move and the importance of this program to members of our community - from all walks of life - who have made the commitment to bettering their lives. A panel of treatment services professionals will be available for a Q&A session.

For information about our current location and services, visit srhd.org
-> Programs & Services -> Opioid Treatment Services.



FROM YOUR

Jefferson Scholar & Family Handbook

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

Attendance (p.4)

State Board of Education Regulation WAC 180-4C-100 states: "Pupils shall be punctual and regular in attendance and shall obey all rules and regulations of the school district as determined by the administration and Board of Directors."

Generally, the only excuse for absence is illness. Regular attendance is of the greatest importance for your child's success and is a most necessary habit for a productive adult life. When a child is ill, they should be kept home and a written excuse should be sent to the teacher on the first day of your child's return.



Parents are asked to call the attendance hotline (354-3202) if their child is going to be absent. This is most helpful to us and assures the school of the child's safety. Should we not hear from you, you will be called to verify the child's absence. It is necessary to know the reason for the absence as the school must report certain communicable diseases. Children may be excused for medical and dental appointments during school hours.

Pupils are never to leave the school premises during the official school day except by written permission of parents, parental phone permission, or with the principal's permission.

If for some reason it is necessary that your child be dismissed before regular dismissal time, please call the office or send written notice to that effect. Parents may arrange to meet their child in the office and sign him/her out for the remainder of the day or for the duration of an appointment.

Unless they are going directly inside for breakfast, children should not arrive on the school grounds more than 15 minutes before school starts at which time supervision will be provided.

When school is dismissed, children are expected to go directly home. Parents are encouraged to ensure an after-school plan is in place before the school day begins.

COOPER DRUMMERS BRING THE BEAT

On a recent Friday morning, the Cooper Drummers performed a lively and interactive show for an enthusiastic Jefferson crowd. The Cooper Drummers, led by 6th grade teacher, Dr. David Casteal performed an array of songs from Africa accompanied by dancing and plenty of audience participation. Check out a video from the event on Jefferson's Facebook (<https://www.facebook.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane>) and Instagram (www.instagram.com/jeffersonelementaryspokane) pages.



JEFFERSON STAFF MEMBERS BOWL FOR SPS FOUNDATION

The Spokane Public Schools Foundation raises money each year to award grants to teachers and schools to enhance the educational experience for children in our community. Each spring, the foundation puts on the SPS Foundation Bowling Extravaganza at North Bowl. Jefferson staff fielded three teams for the event and had a fun time raising money for the foundation! Learn more and consider donating at: <https://www.spokaneschoolsfoundation.org/>



WE HAVE PRIDE!

Congratulations to Ms. Tinney's 3rd Graders for recently filling up the 61 spaces on their classroom PRIDE posters!

