

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

Jefferson Families,

As we journey through the school year, I wanted to take a moment to express my heartfelt gratitude for your unwavering understanding and support, particularly when it comes to our teacher professional development days.

At Jefferson, we are committed to providing the best possible education for your children, and one of the keys to achieving this is ensuring that our dedicated educators have the opportunity





to continuously improve their skills and knowledge. Teacher professional development days are an essential part of this process. These days allow our teachers to refine their teaching methods, stay updated with the latest educational trends and explore innovative approaches to engage and inspire our students.

The support we have received from our parents during these professional development days has been truly remarkable. Your understanding of the importance of these days and your willingness to adapt to changes in the school schedule have made a significant difference in the growth and development of our teachers, which, in turn, benefits your child's education.

These days also foster a spirit of collaboration and camaraderie among our educators, providing a platform for them to share their experiences, ideas, and best practices. This synergy positively impacts the classroom experience, creating a more enriched and engaging learning environment for your children.

October 23, 2023

# **CALENDAR**

# October 23

Unicycle Club 3-4pm

# October 24

NO Cross Country Practice

3rd & 5th Grade Field Trip to the MAC

All City Cross Country Meet - Shadle Park High School

Music & Movement Class 3-4pm

Choir Ensemble 3-4pm

#### October 25

Music & Movement Class 3-4pm

Unicycle Club 3-4pm

"Kids of Character"
Music Concert
Mr. LaBarre & Mrs.
Rothstein's 4th Grade
Classrooms
4:00-5:00pm

### October 26

5th Grade Field Trip to the Spokane Symphony

Thank you once again for your understanding and unwavering support. Together, we will continue to nurture a community of lifelong learners.

Warmly,

Brent

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Brent A. Perdue (he, his, him) Principal brentp@spokaneschools.org

Music & Movement Class 3-4pm

Jefferson PTG Trunk or Treat 6:00-7:00pm

November 2

Individual Picture Re-takes



Summer T.

Alessandra B.J.

Ryan S.

Annabelle K.

Soleil M.

Elijah G.

Daniel M

Paizley M.

Lillian M.

Cam F.

Van B.

Kailey F.

Zeke B.

Kevin R.

Vera B.

April W.

Frida S.

Sadie A.







### FROM YOUR

# Jefferson Scholar & Family Handbook

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

# Safety Crossings and Patrol -page 19

The Spokane Public Schools Safety Patrol is an affiliate of the Spokane Police Department. We maintain student patrols and adult crossing guards at several locations



approaching the Jefferson School grounds. Please note that patrols are present during limited times before and after school, and if your child arrives at the intersection outside of that schedule, there will be no guards to help them cross these potentially very busy streets.

The safety record that our patrols have maintained over the years has been remarkable, but parents should understand that we are limited in our ability to enforce traffic regulations without cooperation. Please help us in safely crossing the students by not blocking the crosswalks or obstructing the safety patrol's view when you drive your scholars to school. Take care also to avoid the bus loading zone.

Jefferson has four road crossings manned by adult safety patrol. In addition, in cooperation with the Spokane Police Department, Jefferson trains fifth grade scholars to act as safety patrol crossing guards at intersections near the school. Fourth graders often join later in their fourth-grade year once they have turned 10 years old.

Adult and scholar crossing guards are on duty from 8:00 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. (9:00-9:30 a.m. on Mondays) and 3:00 p.m.



**Register Here for SEPAC** 

– 3:30 p.m.

The following intersections are monitored by safety patrol members:

- Grand & 37th
- Bernard & 37th
- Manito & 37th
- Manito and Tekoa

Jefferson Elementary School Adult Monitored Safety Patrol Crossings



# **Adventure at Camp Reed**

On October 12<sup>th</sup> Jefferson first graders ventured out to Camp Reed for a day of community building and outdoor fun! Scholars could be seen searching for colorful plants on a rainbow scavenger hunt, hiking around Fan Lake and making a craft in the lodge. Thank you to all of the volunteers who joined the adventure!



# COVERN

# McTeacher's Night a Hit!

Jefferson Staff and families came together recently for a fun McTeacher's Night event at the McDonald's on Regal. With McDonald's donating 25% of the proceeds from the two hours that staff members helped serve and families helped eat, Jefferson benefited from the event to the tune of \$975! Find more pictures from the event on Jefferson's **Facebook** and **Instagram** pages.



# THE PIG SCOOP

#### **Trunk or Treat**

Trunk or Treat will be held from 6-7pm on Thursday 10/26 in the Jefferson back parking lot and the front area by the gym with a quiet room in the library. We will be focusing on Trunk or Treat and the raffle this year, no bingo or pizza.

Please sign up here to help with the event!

Jefferson PTG: Jefferson Trunk or Treat
(signupgenius.com)

#### **Trunk or Treat Raffle**

Please donate items for our Trunk or Treat raffle! Families can drop raffle items in the front vestibule, in the box marked "PTG Trunk or Treat" until 10/24.

# Raffle basket themes by grade:

- Preschool & Kinder Crafts
- 1st Legos, for all ages
- 2nd Fall items or spa items for mom: Everything pumpkin spice
- 3rd Books
- 4th Sports items or equipment, local sports team gear or shirts
- 5th Movie Night: Candy, popcorn, popcorn bowls, new DVDs, cozy blankets

#### **November Treats for Staff**

Our monthly Treats for Staff will be on Thursday, November 2nd. Please sign up below. Thank you! Jefferson Elementary: November - Treats for Staff (signupgenius.com)

#### Gift Wrap Sale

The annual gift wrap sale fundraiser will be held October 30th - November 10th. Please watch for more information coming home soon!

#### Jefferson Night at the Spokane Chiefs

Saturday, 11/11 at 6:05pm. Tickets are only \$10 and can be purchased at the link below. Jefferson Families will be able to sit together.

#### **Jefferson Night at the Spokane Chiefs Tickets**



# BAND PTG Mobile App Link





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:

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