

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, Students and Staff,

As the calendar pages turn towards the end of another wonderful year, we wanted to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude to each and every member of our remarkable elementary school

community. This year has been a journey filled with learning, growth and unforgettable moments. Together, we've navigated challenges, celebrated achievements and fostered a nurturing environment where our scholars thrive.

My heartfelt appreciation extends to our dedicated teachers and staff whose unwavering commitment and passion continue to shape the minds and hearts of our scholars every day. Your dedication and hard work have truly made a difference in the lives of our children.

To our incredible scholars, your enthusiasm, creativity and eagerness to learn have inspired us all. Your resilience in facing challenges and your eagerness to embrace new opportunities are a testament to your remarkable spirits.

Last but not least, to the supportive parents and guardians, thank you for entrusting us with the education and well-being of your children. Your partnership and involvement in their academic journey are invaluable, and we are grateful for your unwavering support.

I hope that this coming Winter Break will see you finding time filled with love, laughter and cherished moments with family and friends. May the spirit of gratitude and kindness surround you



December 18, 2023

CALENDAR

December 18

Board Game Club
3-4pm

December 19

Music & Movement Class 3-4pm
KG & 1st Graders

STEM Academy
3-4:15pm

December 20

Music & Movement Class 3-4pm
KG & 1st Graders

KG Gingerbread Plays
Mrs. Zellers 5:00pm
Mrs. Olson 5:30pm
Mrs. Antich 6:00pm

December 21

Generation Alive Food Packing Event

Music & Movement Class
3-4pm
KG & 1st Graders

December 25 - January 5
Winter Break

January 9

Leadership Team Mtg
3-4pm

Choir Ensemble
3-4pm

during this special time.

Thank you all for being an essential part of our school community. We are incredibly grateful for your continued support, dedication and partnership.

Wishing you a wonderful end to the year and a bright and promising New Year ahead!

Brent

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

January 10

Volleyball
3-4pm

January 11

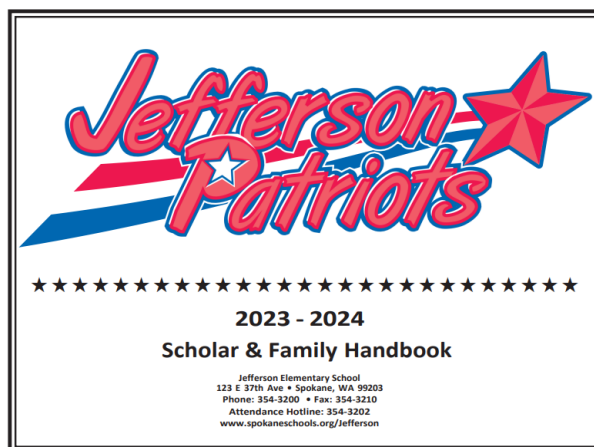
Choir Ensemble
3-4pm

January 15

NO SCHOOL
in Observance of Martin
Luther King Day



- Anthony M.
- Bryce D.
- Andrew S.
- Nathaniel P.
- Emerie B.
- Lula Z.
- Max H.
- Anela S.
- Bailey H.
- Leotie H.
- Fletcher B.
- William W.
- Zariah D.



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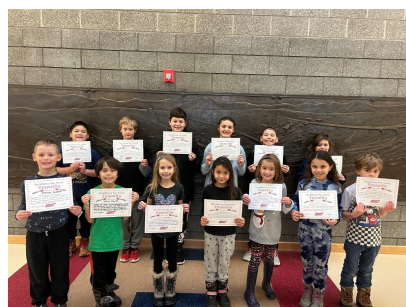
Jefferson Scholar & Family Handbook

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

Birthday

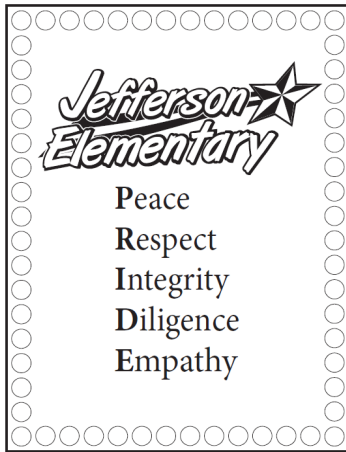
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Jefferson announces birthday wishes for scholars during morning announcements. If a scholar, or their family, prefers that their birthday not be announced, please contact the office so that the request can be noted.





PATRIOT PRIDE



Congratulations to **Mrs. Robinson-Harding's 1st Graders, Mrs. Rothstein's 4th Graders and Mrs. Thomas's 1st Graders** for recently filling up the 60 spaces on their classroom PRIDE posters!

Classrooms at Jefferson can earn stickers for their PRIDE posters when they collectively meet PRIDE expectations across the building. When their poster is filled with stars, classes receive a Smart Snack compliant treat and extra recess with Mr. Perdue or Mrs. Gage and Millie, Jefferson's emotional support dog. The five PRIDE expectations include: **Peace, Respect, Integrity, Diligence and Empathy.**

Second LC Zone Transitions Event Set for Tuesday, January 16!

The Lewis and Clark Zone is set to have its second transitions event that will bring together LC High School, Sacajawea Middle School and feeder elementary schools. The Homecoming event at Sacajawea was a huge success, and this one will sure to be special for your family. More information will be coming soon. For now, mark your calendars!

What: LC vs. Mt. Spokane Basketball Game

Location: Lewis & Clark High School Gymnasium

Date: Tuesday, January 16

Times:

5:30 Boys Game Tip-off

6:00 Recognition at half-time of elementary schools and students (Jefferson, Hutton and Mullan Road).

6:00 Building Art and Campus tour of LC. The hallways at LC are adorned with a unique, historical and rare collection of art that has been donated to the school.

7:00 Girls Game Tip-off

Highlights: Entry is free with a can of food. Be sure to wear your Jefferson gear to show



Bookshare Provides Access to Reading Materials



Bookshare is a free eBook resource for students with reading, physical or visual disabilities that make reading standard text challenging. The Bookshare WebReader makes reading accessible by reading text aloud, and their library includes popular children's titles as well as curriculum. Contact your special education case manager for more information on Bookshare access.

Thank you for supporting our students as they work to serve the Spokane community through Generation Alive! Jefferson raised \$3,294.12 which will be enough to make 13,000 meals! Thank you to all who donated, and congratulations to Mrs. Talley's second grade class, who won the pizza party for the class that brought in the most donations. Jefferson scholars will be working this Thursday to assemble all the meals. Keep an eye out for pictures from the event!



Kindergarten
Gingerbread Plays
December, 20



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!



A festive way to support the Lewis and Clark High School Senior All Nighter, the Garland Theater will be showing the movie "Elf" on Thursday, December 21st at 7:00pm.

THE PTG SCOOP



Variety Show Auditions Coming Soon
 Variety Show Auditions will be in February. Start thinking about your act and practicing over Winter Break!
 Email juliana_weber77@yahoo.com for more info on volunteering and auditioning.

Family Glow Dance
 Save the date for our Family Glow Dance on Friday 1/19 at 6-7:30pm in the Jefferson Gym.



[BAND PTG Mobile App Link](#)

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

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