

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."





March 18, 2024

# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Hello Jefferson Community,

I want to formally invite you to this Friday's Multi-Cultural Fair at Lewis and Clark High School which takes place in the LC commons from 3:30-5:30pm. This is the third "transitions" event that our LC Feeder pattern is having this year to bring together families from across the LC Zone. The purpose of these events is to build connections, ease transitions for young scholars between elementary, middle and high schools and to have fun! You may have already seen the flyer in last week's edition of The Journal or on our Facebook/Instagram pages. I encourage you to locate the flyer in this edition and plan to attend with other Jefferson families and staff members. Come share in the uniqueness of our community and celebrate all that makes the LC Zone special.

See you there!

Brent

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



### **CALENDAR**

March 18

Variety Show Practice 8:00-9:00am, Gym

Chess Club 3-4:30pm

Board Game Club 3-4pm

March 19

Leadership Club 3-4pm

Sign Language 3-4pm

March 20

Music & Movement 3-4pm

March 21

Dormant Oil Spray Application to Trees & Shrubs

2nd Grade American Folk Singing & Dancing Performance 4-5pm

March 22

Lewis & Clark Multi-Cultural Fair LC, 3:30-5:30pm



Multicultural Fair

Explore and enjoy the cultures of LC through performances, displays and more.

Local Vendors. Global Flavors. Food available for purchase.

Vendors include:

Tacos Tumbras Madfire Kitchen

Lebanon Resturant & Cafe

Date: March 22 2024 When: 3:30-5:30PM Location: LC Commons

We hope all our feeder schools can attend!



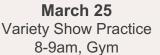












Board Game Club 3-4pm





Greyson R.

Roselynn J.

Arlo N.

Brooksley R.

Adeliade B.

Gavin K.

Jack C.

Frankie S.

Rashid R.

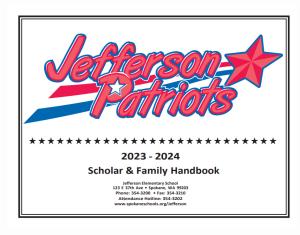
Simon D.

Sullivan P.

Caleb C.

Lila S.

Kennedy L.



#### FROM YOUR

Jefferson Scholar & Family Handbook

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

# Birthday Announcements - p. 20

Jefferson announces birthday wishes for



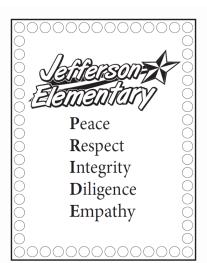


scholars during morning announcements. If a scholar, or their family, prefers that their birthday not be announced, please contact the office so that the request can be noted.





# PATRIOT PRIDE



Congratulations to **Mrs. Stefanoff's 2nd 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.

# Star Awards a Hit

Jefferson has a new program this year that

recognizes scholars for demonstrating actions that support a character trait that is the schoolwide focus for each month. These traits are part of our Character Strong PurposeFull People curriculum. In March, the focus is on cooperation.

Students who are selected for the Star Award receive a certificate with the reason they were selected written on it and have their picture taken with other award recipients. The certificates are sent home the next week, after spending time in the school's display cabinet near the office for all to see.



In the picture to the right, other Jefferson scholars stop at the display case to read the reasons scholars have been selected.



## **Pesticide Application Alert**

This is to inform you that our annual dormant oil spray will be applied to the trees and shrubs at our school on **March 21, 2024**. This spray application consists of one gallon of mineral oil mixed in 80 gallons of water to cover and kill dormant insect eggs that overwinter in our area. Our school has taken steps to keep school children away from these areas for 24 hours following the application of spray. We would like to ask that you and your children refrain from brushing up against or playing around the trees and shrubs at our school. A variation from this schedule may

occur as a result of inclement weather. Thank you!





# **ToothSavers**

School Oral Health Program

ToothSavers provides oral health services to children within WA state schools, during school hours. All services are <u>free</u> for Medicaid & Apple Health covered children and are provided by a gentle and experienced Registered Dental Hygienist. We accept private dental insurance as well with no Co-Pay!

We make it fun, creating a positive dental experience for children!



Join the Smile Revolution! Sign your child up for a healthier smile.



#### Simple Process

Parents/guardians sign-up online or return signed consent to the school.



#### Comprehensive Services

Visual screenings, dental sealants, fluoride application, and education all given during school hours.



#### Proven Effectiveness

School programs like ToothSavers are endorsed by the CDC & proven to reduce tooth decay by up to 80%.



#### Clinic Day

Each child is called for a 5-7 minute visit with our dental team. We get kids back to class ASAP.

Toothsavers of Washington



(509) 676 - 6060



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#### Medicaid/Apple Health pays 100%

Our services are billed to Medicaid as a school- based program, therefore do not interfere with routine dental exams!



### **PTG Upcoming Events**

#### **Variety Show**

April 18th and 19th Rehearsals 3/18 and 3/25 from 8-9am.

Volunteers needed during rehearsals!

jeffersonvarietyshow@gmail.com

**5th Grade Memory Books** 

Professional individual pictures on Wednesday 3/20.
Please send in your memory photos by 3/22 to

jeffersonpatriotmemories@gmail.com

**April PTG Meeting** 

Tuesday 4/9 6:30pm Jefferson Library or on Zoom PTG Meeting Zoom Link





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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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