

Jefferson Times

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January 9, 2017

Dear Jefferson Families,

It was nice to see everyone back after Winter Break and back into the swing of things. The MJPPFA is putting on a Quarter War beginning Monday, January 9 and ending Tuesday, February 28. Each teacher will have their own piggy bank. The teacher that has the most money in their piggy bank will kiss a pig this spring. Yes, the office will have one too. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go directly back to our students and classrooms. Thank you to our fabulous MJPPFA for their continue support!

We have a couple of exciting things happening this week. Mark your calendars:

Tuesday, January 10 from 5:00 – 7:00 – Annual Jefferson Art Show in the library. Come out and view our student and staff artwork. The top student masterpieces will be submitted to 86th Annual McKee Student Art Contest and Exhibition at The Haggin Museum in Stockton. For more information about The Haggin Museum and contest, please visit their website at <http://hagginmuseum.org/Calendar/86thAnnualMcKeeStudentArtContestExhibition>.

Peter Pan – Mark your calendars for our Spring Play, which is taking place on Friday, March 10 and Saturday, March 11. Peter Pan auditions are taking place on Tuesday, January 10 after school on the stage. Students need to prepare a one minute monologue and 32 bars from a song of their choice (or approximately one minute). Students will then be asked back to participate in a call back audition on Wednesday, January 11 and rehearsals will begin on Thursday, January 12. If you have specific questions, please contact our Music and Drama director, Amanda Gieseke, at agieseke@sjcoe.net.

Thank you for your continued support, communication, and taking the time to read the Jefferson newsletter. Feel free to contact me at any time at awooten@sjcoe.net or (209) 835-3053 with any questions, comments, or suggestions.

Alyssa Wooten

Principal

****Parent GATE Advisory Meeting on January 11th, at 3:30 pm, at the District Office****

If a student misses 2 days of school per month, they are missing over 10% of their school year!

The importance of daily school attendance must start at home, stressing the value of a consistent educational experience. It is vital for the Jefferson School District to build on this value, maintaining an essential partnership between school and home, to ensure punctual daily school attendance is a priority. The school district loses \$43.70 each day when your child is absent.

Should your child need to be absent, California Education Code allows **EXCUSED** absences for the following reasons:

Excused Absences:

- Illness
- Medical/Dental Appointment
- Quarantine
- Funeral of Family Member
- To spend time with student's immediate family who is an active duty member of the uniformed services
- Participation in religious exercise

The parent/guardian of the student must phone or send a note to clear any of these excused absences. The answering machine is activated after school hours for your convenience, and is checked at the start of the next school day. No call or note sent to the attendance office, stating one of the above reasons, will result in an unexcused absence. Failure to excuse your students' absence will result in a recorded truancy on the student's permanent record.

Being absent for any of the following reasons will result in an **UNEXCUSED** absence:

Unexcused Absences:

- Personal Days-Going shopping
- Visiting Relatives
- Student's Birthday
- Oversleeping
- Childcare by the student at home
- Car Trouble
- Vacation
- Family moving from one home to another
- Cutting school

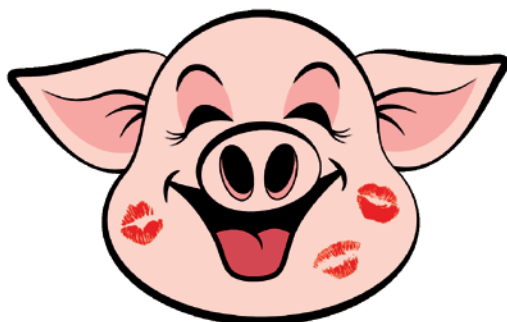
Education Code 4820: Students shall be classified as truant if absent from school without a valid excuse three full days in one school year, or tardy or absent for more than any 30-minute period during the school day without a valid excuse on three occasions in one school year, or any combination thereof. Such students shall be reported to the Superintendent or designee. (Education Code 48260)

MJPFA NEWS:

KISS A PIG?!?! WHO???

WHY THE LUCKY ONE WHO RAISES THE MOST MONEY SILLY! IF YOU WANT TO SEE YOUR TEACHER KISS A PIG AT SCHOOL THIS SPRING. DONATE QUARTERS OR BILLS TO YOUR CLASSROOM PIGGY BANK BY 2/28.(OR MAYBE YOU WANT TO SNEAK A QUARTER INTO ANOTHER TEACHER'S BANK!) IT'S UP TO YOU! YOUR DONATIONS DECIDE THE LUCKY.... OR UNLUCKY WINNER!

I WONDER WHO IT WILL BE...



KISS THE PIG

MS. GATES?

MR. FERN ?

MRS. POTTS?

MRS. JENNINGS?

MR. SPIKES?

MR. FREITAS?

MR. PEASE?



ALL DONATIONS GO BACK TO YOUR CHILD'S EDUCATION THROUGH THE MJPFA.

The Animals Have Arrived!

Sixth grade science students were able to raise over \$1000 this year to donate to WWF! Students used the money to symbolically adopt 19 endangered animals. WWF is an organization dedicated to protecting threatened animals and their habitats. Stop by Mr. Fritt's and Mrs. Maslyar's classrooms to have a peek at the amazing animals.





**Millennium High School
Basketball Season Mini Cheer Camp
Grades TK-8th**

**Wednesday January 18th, 2017-Friday January 20th, 2017
4:15-5:30**

Performance Saturday January 21st at half time

Participants will receive *a hair-bow, poms, t-shirt and game entry.*

\$50 before 1/13 after 1/13 cost is \$60

Make checks payable to Tracy Learning Center **all credit card payments are subject to a \$1.75 service fee.** **Return form and payment to:**

Millennium High School
51 E. Beverly Place
Tracy, CA 95376

Need more information? Contact CoachD74@yahoo.com

Name _____ Grade _____
 Name of Current School _____
 Email Address _____
 Parents Name _____ Phone _____
 Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____
 Allergies _____

Please wear athletic shoes daily and no jeans please.

PLEASE BRING WATER DAILY

**Accidents can happen and risk of serious injury does exist. Your signature below indicates that you are aware of these risks, that you give consent for your child's participation, and that you will not hold the Tracy Unified School District and /or Tracy Learning Center or any associated parties for any loss, damages or injuries. Your signature also gives permission for the above named child to receive emergency medical treatment if you cannot first be contacted.

**** Parent *MUST* sign child in and out of camp each day.**

Parent or Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

*You are cordially invited to join us to celebrate Wildcat
creativity at the*

**ANNUAL JEFFERSON SCHOOL
STUDENT/FACULTY ART SHOW
RECEPTION**

Date: *Tuesday, January 10th, 2017*

Time: *5 p.m. to 7 p.m.*

Location: *Jefferson School Library*

HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS AND SNACKS PROVIDED