

Jefferson Times

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A note from the Principal ~

Dear Jefferson Families,

We are all about reading this month! Our book fair is open this week Tuesday, February 9th through Thursday, February 11th from 8:00am to 2:00pm. On Thursday, February 11th the book fair will be open late from 5:30pm – 7:00pm. Students can also shop on the following website (<http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/jeffersonmiddleschl>) during the week of 2/5 – 2/11 and the purchases will also support our school. Teachers have wish lists available if you would like to donate to their classrooms. If you have any questions, please contact our librarians Mrs. Engle (tiengle@sjcoe.net) or Mrs. Robertson (srobertson@sjcoe.net). Thank you in advance for supporting our reading programs.

We are encouraging our students to read on a daily basis for at least 20 minutes. There are many benefits for daily reading, but ultimately the love of reading that is gained through daily reading is the end goal. The following are benefits of reading 20 minutes per day and we encourage you to read along with your child (from Scholastic News).

- Mental Stimulation
- Knowledge
- Memory Improvement
- Improved Focus or Concentration
- Tranquility
- Stress Reduction
- Vocabulary Expansion
- Shorter Analytical Thinking Skills
- Better Writing Skills
- Free Entertainment

So this month, join us by reading every day with your child! We are focusing on “For The Love Of Reading” and look forward to kicking off February with our school book fair.

As always, feel free to come by or contact me at awooten@sjcoe.net or 209-835-3053 with any input.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Wooten
Principal





~ Weekly Information ~

Monday: 2/8 ~ NO SCHOOL

Tuesday: 2/9 ~ Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday: 2/10 ASB meeting

Thursday: 2/11 MJPFA meeting 3:15 p.m. @ Monticello

Friday: 2/12 Spirit-Patterns Day (Wear clothes w/different patterns)

Magic Club

~ WORD OF THE WEEK ~

"ANALYZE"

Full Definition of *analyze*

an·a·lyzed an·a·lyz·ing

transitive verb

1 : to study or determine the nature and relationship of the parts of by [analysis](#) (see [analysis](#))

2 : to subject to scientific or grammatical analysis

3 : [psychoanalyze](#)

District Cell Phone Policy **BP 5131.71**

1. The device is turned off at all times on school grounds or at school activities from the hours of 45 minutes prior to the beginning of the school day & 45 minutes after the school day concludes.
2. The device is turned off & concealed while the student is riding the school bus.
3. The device is concealed in a location where it is not visible to others.
4. The device may not be placed or stored in a student desk.

**PLEASE refer to page 42 of the
2015-2016 Student/Parent Handbook**