

JOHNSTON JCC

November 3, 2023

IMPORTANT DATES

November 13: Grade 5/6 Concert
November 14: Family Dinner/Community Resources Night
November 22: Conference Compensation- No School
November 23: Thanksgiving- No School
November 24: Thanksgiving Break- No School
November 27: No School



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN PHY. ED. THIS MONTH?

During the month of November, the K-2nd grade students are finishing up with their eye/hand coordination and tracking unit. Eye/Hand coordination and tracking are concepts that we will continue visit throughout the year. Up next, is our opposition unit. During this unit students will be learning to move with opposition while performing skills such as underhand rolling, underhand throwing, and overhand throwing.

The 3-6th grade students have made tremendous progress on their throwing and catching skills during the month of October. This month, we are starting our invasion unit where students will be putting their throwing and catching skills to use during gameplay. During this unit we are focusing on understanding the concept of offense and defense as well as strategies that can be used during a variety of games.

Sincerely,
Mr. Weinzetl



November 2023

Dear Parents and Guardians,

We are writing this letter to inform you of our upcoming standardized English test, ACCESS for English Learner's (ELs). As mandated by Wisconsin law, one of our primary responsibilities is to assess the English language skills of eligible students and provide information to you. Our overall goal is to provide language and academic support so that ELs reach their full potential and participate fully in their educational experience. Students are only eligible to exit the EL program with a current ACCESS level. If your child does not take the ACCESS test during the testing window, he/she will not be able to exit EL programming this academic year.

In the next two to three months, the ACCESS test will be administered to all ELs in the Appleton Area School District. The results will provide information about the language and literacy needs of your child. After the tests have been corrected and scored, we will share the results with you.

In some cases, your child already participates in the district's EL / Bilingual Program. For others, there is no direct language service or services have been refused, but we are required by law to administer the assessment to all EL students. Please understand that discussion of any direct service will involve you, and no student will be placed in EL classes without your permission.

Johnston Elementary School will be administering the ACCESS test December 4 - 13, 2023. If you have any questions about the ACCESS test, please contact the EL teachers listed below at your child's school.

Thank you,

Amy Swick
EL/Bilingual Education Coordinator

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Johnston EL Teacher, K-3
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DO YOU HAVE A FACEBOOK?

Awesome, so do we! Like our page to see updates, events, and fun tidbits



NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

Hello Johnston Families!

It's hard to believe but November is here and the feelings of fall are truly upon us. It's been a joy to see our students in action in their classrooms and their enthusiasm to learn. The next time you are in our school, please notice the student work that is displayed in our halls and in the teachers' classrooms. These are all evidence of our students demonstrating exemplary student work. We are really proud of them!

November 6th is the start of our second quarter and it is a month that we often associate with giving, "Thanks". I am grateful for what I have and the people around me. I would also like to give thanks and recognize our dedicated staff for providing high-quality instruction, positive relationships, and a broad range of enrichments for our students at Johnston. Without our staff, we are unable to offer these added enrichments to our rigorous curriculum. THANK YOU Johnston Staff!!!

I would like to also thank parents and guardians for attending Parent Teacher Conferences and engaging in our school events. Your partnership and involvement in your child's education help maximize your child's education and make school a positive experience. Thank you!

Now that fall has truly arrived and winter is just around the corner, please be reminded to dress your child appropriately for the weather. Our students are outside before the bell rings in the morning at 8:22, during lunch recess and afternoon recess, and sometimes during Fit-n-15 activity. Please be reminded that supervision does not begin before school until 8:10 a.m. and please do not drop off your students outside on school grounds without supervision until this time. We do offer the YMCA before-school program should you be interested in signing your student up. Your help with this is appreciated.

Attendance Matters!

Help us help your child develop good attendance habits. Research has shown that attendance habits that are established by the second grade can have lifelong effects on our children and their chances for success. Absences do add up and improving attendance rates at any point and any grade can have positive outcomes for students. Together, let's give the tools to our children to be successful throughout their education and into their adult lives. Please be reminded of the following:

- The school bell rings at 8:22. Students should be in their classrooms before the 8:27 bell. Supervision on the playground begins at 8:10 a.m.
- Parents/guardians can excuse students for up to 10 days. (full/partial/tardy/etc.); beyond the 10-day marker, documentation is needed to remain an excused absence.
- Student absences need to be reported to the school by 9:00 a.m. or it will be considered "unexcused."
- If your child is late or tardy it is the responsibility of the parent or guardian to bring the child into the office and sign him/her in before going to the classroom. This will ensure that your child enters the building safely and that our attendance records are accurate.

Please review your District's attendance policy <http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/parents/attendance> and feel free to direct any questions about your child's attendance to Mrs. LaBorde. Thanks in advance for your support!

NOTE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL

School Visitors:

We value the safety of our students, staff, and adults in our building. In order to help support this, all entrances to our school are locked during the school day. Visitors are to enter our school through the front entrance A. When visiting our school, please be reminded to sign-in in at the office and take a visitor's pass. When leaving, please stop back in the office to sign out and return the visitor's pass. If your child is arriving after the bell has rung, please bring your child into school to sign them in. Should you need to pick up your child early, please come into the office to sign your child out. Thank you for your help in ensuring the safety of students, staff, and guests.

TEAM Johnston:

Please join us for our parent and teacher team on November 14, 2023, from 3:30-4:30 in our LMC. Your support is appreciated!

Parking/Traffic Around School:

Traffic and parking rules around schools are created for the safety of the students. Please follow all posted signs. A suggestion to avoid traffic congestion is to park further away from school and let your child cross the street at a crossing guard, safety patrol, or marked or unmarked crosswalk. Never let your child cross between parked cars or mid-block! The school parking lot is NOT a drop-off zone; this is because we have many students crossing in front of the lot on the sidewalk and reducing the traffic in/out allows for safe walking of our students. There are signs on both entrances to the parking to help guide car entrance. Both ends of the parking lot will be barricaded and enforced as guided by the signs.

As always, it is our pleasure to have your children with us each day. Enjoy November! Thank you!

Sincerely,



MaiKou Heu
Principal



NOTE FROM OUR NURSE



HEALTH SERVICES * P.O. Box 2019, Appleton, WI 54911 * 920-852-5344

Does Good Attendance Matter?



School success starts
with attendance

Success Starts with Attendance

If a student misses 10 days per year for the lifetime of their school career, that adds up to 140 days... almost a full school year. Research and experience teach us that students with poor attendance are at greater risk for school difficulty. Making up missed schoolwork is very helpful, but missed classroom instruction cannot be made up.

We try to impress upon students that there is a difference between “not feeling well” and being truly sick. We all know there are times when we do not feel 100%, but still try to make it through the day. Students understand that parents do this in order to keep their jobs. This is a real “life skill” that employers look for when hiring. They want employees they can count on to come to work. For students, school is their job.

Common sense can guide parents in deciding when a child is sick enough to be at home. If you are uncertain about sending your child to school, please reference [Is Your Child Well Enough to Go to School](#) from our district website or please call us. Sometimes a second opinion can be of help! Not only is school attendance a legal requirement, it encourages behavior that will help your child be successful in life. So while the goal of “perfect attendance” may not be realistic for all, great school attendance is something to work towards!

Here are some helpful tips:

- Schedule appointments outside of school hours
- Request beginning or end of day appointments
- If appropriate, consider having child return for ½ day if feeling better.
- Ask your provider to write a letter for the time they missed from school



Johnston Elementary Student Council



MEETING DATES

All meetings will begin at 7:40 AM in Mrs. LaBorde's room.
The meeting will be the third Friday of each month.

Friday, November 17th

Friday, December 15th

Friday, January 19th

Friday, February 16th

Friday, March 15th

Friday, April 19th

JOHNSTON ELEMENTARY
2023-2024 STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS

ARIA L. 4TH GRADE MRS. SCHMIDT

LIAM R. 4TH GRADE MRS. SCHMIDT

BRYSON M. 4TH GRADE MISS WESTFALL

CELESTE T. 4TH GRADE MISS WESTFALL

EMMA E. 5TH GRADE MRS. WESTPHAL

TASHA B. 5TH GRADE MRS. WESTPHAL

PERSY R. 5TH GRADE MRS. WESTPHAL

CALLEIGH W. 5TH GRADE MRS. WESTPHAL

TEAGAN F. 6TH GRADE MR. GILBERT

CAMBRIA M. 6TH GRADE MR. GILBERT

APRIL A. 6TH GRADE MRS. KUBIAK

CAROLINE F. 6TH GRADE MRS. KUBIAK

PEYTON G. 6TH GRADE MRS. KUBIAK

ART

News

Art Club

Our first meeting is scheduled to meet on Thursday November 30, 2023 at noon.

Leaf Project

3rd graders learned about warm and cool colors and applied them in their leaf paintings.



3rd Grade Leaf Project

Animal Portrait

1st and 2nd graders just completed their animal portrait inspired by Romero Britto who used bold patterns and colors in his paintings.



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JOHNSTON SAFETY PATROL
OCTOBER – NOVEMBER 2023

WEEK OF OCT 2-6

MATTHEW C ISABELLA M
LILY G ALAYNA S
DANNY H EZRA S

WEEK OF OCT 9-13

GRADY B DAMON K
NADIA D JOCELYN L
DAMON G NEVETTE S

WEEK OF OCT 16-20

JACKSON G TONY L
REX H GREYSON S
JACOB H RHYLAND S

WEEK OF OCT 23-26

PEYTON G CAMBRIA M
COOPER G EMMA M
SEELEY H HALLIE W

WEEK OF OCT 30-NOV 3

EMMA E KAI S
ALLIE J CALLEIGH W
ETHAN S ALEXANDER W

WEEK OF NOV 6-10

MATTHEW C ISABELLA M
LILY G ALAYNA S
DANNY H EZRA S

WEEK OF NOV 13-17

GRADY B DAMON K
NADIA D JOCELYN L
DAMON G NEVETTE S

WEEK OF NOV 20-21

JACKSON G TONY L
REX H GREYSON S
JACOB H RHYLAND S

the Y YMCA

FIND YOUR AFTERSCHOOL SPOT. FIND YOUR Y.

Extended Day Learning Programs (EDLP) APPLETON YMCA

The Y's school-age program provides a safe, enriching and fun environment for kids to enjoy when the school day ends. Peace of mind for parents and a fun environment before and after school! We offer opportunities for extended learning, free choice, physical activity, snack and more.

Registration for the 2023-24 school year is OPEN!

Before and after school programs available at:

- Dunlap
- Franklin
- Horizons
- Jefferson
- Johnston
- McKinley
- Richmond

Before-care hours are from 6:30 AM until school starts.
After-care hours are from school dismissal until 6:00 PM.

Register online at ymcafoxcities.org/register or by scanning the QR code.

If you have any questions please contact Jolene Gross at jgross@ymcafoxcities.org or 920.882.3680.

Johnston's YMCA Extended Day Learning Program & DEI Coordinators present

FAMILY DINNER/ COMMUNITY RESOURCE NIGHT

Tuesday, November 14th from 4:30 pm-6:30 p.m.
Johnston Elementary MPR/Gym

- FAMILY DINNER FOR JOHNSTON STUDENTS & THEIR FAMILIES
- NETWORK WITH COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS
- GAMES & ACTIVITIES
- RAFFLE DRAWING TO WIN PRIZES

THANK YOU TO

Have questions? Please reach out to:
• Kike Tamori at (920) 852-5300 ext 34027 or tamorikikelomo@aasd.k12.wi.us
• Alyssa Buchmiller at 920-209-0157 or abuchmiller@ymcafoxcities.org

PLEASE RSVP

Please complete the form below & return it to your classroom teacher or the school office.

RSVP FAMILY DINNER/ COMMUNITY RESOURCE NIGHT
Wednesday, November 14th
from 5:00-7:00 pm
Johnston Elementary MPR/GYM

Student's name _____
How many will attend? _____
Parent's email _____
Phone Number _____

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