



The Jason Lee Times

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Welcome to Fall!

Dear Jason Lee Families,

Our school year is off to a great start, and this past Friday we had our first Leopard of the Month awards ceremony where we celebrated students that had exemplified the character trait of respect. This month we're focusing on integrity, and Ms. Hill's 4th grade class presented a set of skits to our entire student body with the theme that integrity is, "Doing the right thing even when nobody is watching." We're excited to recognize students at the end of this month who uphold this character trait, as it is one that strengthens our community and school.

We've also enjoyed seeing so many parents and guardians at daytime and evening events the past month, including our PTA meeting, Curriculum Night, Laps For Lee and all of our WatchDOGS that volunteer during the day. It's been great having a strong family presence in the building and we enjoy the sense of community that it builds on campus.

On Tuesday we'll have our next Coffee Connections, where we'll share information about our fall assessment data, which will be coming home in

Friday Folders, and ways to support student learning this year. We'll have breakfast, coffee, and interpreters on hand, so feel free to stop in.

We're also looking for parents and guardians to join our Site Council, which is comprised of many different stakeholders that help set our priorities for the year, and make important decisions that impact how we spend our resources, including time and money. If you're interested, respond to this email and I can send you more information.

Have a wonderful rest of your week and we hope to see you soon.

- Principal Cardona





Coffee Connections

Tuesday, April 10th @ 8:15am

This month's topic will be: **How to Support Student Learning**

At this Coffee Connections we'll talk through fall assessment data and ways to help students grow and develop during the school year. We'll show parents and guardians how to access online programs that support student learning and ways to create a strong home-school connection that helps teachers and guardians work together to support student learning.

We hope to see you there!

PTA Pancake Breakfast

Saturday, October 6th from 8:30-10:30am

Please join us for our fall pancake breakfast, one of our only Saturday events of the year, and a great time to bring out the entire family to enjoy breakfast and camaraderie with other Jason Lee families. Tickets are \$3 for individuals and \$8 for the whole family. Kids under 4 eat free. We hope to see you there!

*Pancake
Breakfast*



Walk and Roll to School Day

Wednesday, October 10th

Put on your walking shoes or grab your bike and helmet and head to Jason Lee with other members of our community as we "walk and roll" to school. This is a great time to meet neighbors and new friends as we head to school through the neighborhood together.

PTA Movie Night – The Incredibles 2

Friday, November 9th starting at 6:30pm

Join us for our first movie night of the year as our PTA presents The Incredibles 2! It's the on-going story of a superhero family that works together. Doors open at 6:15, and the movie starts at 6:30pm. As always, the movie is free and concessions will be sold





The Morning Mile

Every Friday, starting at 7:30am in the Back Field (or the gym if it's rainy)

When: Friday, October 5th and Every Friday Moving Forward

Where: The Jason Lee track and field (Behind the School)

Why: Come on out to the Morning Mile as Mr. Hewett, parents, staff members and students get some exercise in before the start of the school day.

Family Art Night

Thursday, December 13th

Come on out to Jason Lee to see student artwork, performances, and to make a few pieces yourself. Art Boss, our wonderful art teacher, is excited to show off the great artwork that your students have been creating all semester.



PTA Meeting

Tuesday, November 13th from 5:30-7:00pm

Join us for our next PTA Meeting of the year. The meeting starts at 6pm, and childcare and dinner will be provided starting at 5:30pm. This is a great time to learn about what the PTA does and ways to help them support the school. If you need interpretation, please let Mr. Cardona know.

Leopard of the Month Awards

Friday, October 26th @ 1:30pm

This month's character trait is **Integrity**. We look forward to celebrating all of the students in our building who have exemplified this trait in the month of October.



Principal's Book Club Coming in October

This month Mr. Cardona will launch the Principal's Book Club, which will meet to read and discuss the same book over lunch throughout the month. We'll start with a celebrated Newberry Award winning book, but if you have any recommendations, please send them to Mr. Cardona.

Please look for more information in the days to come.



What is your teaching super power?

I keep a calm, upbeat, and consistent attitude everyday in gym class.

What is your favorite teacher movie?

I really love the movie Good Will Hunting. Robin Williams is one of my favorite actors and this movie had a huge impact on me.

What will parents see when they come to your class?

Everyday in gym class students do five things. We do warm up laps, we sit in our home stops, we learn our activity for the day, we play our activity for the day, then we cool down and line up. We talk about good sportsmanship in class, to keep on trying, and to do your best and forget the rest.

Tell us about yourself?

This is my second year at Jason Lee and I couldn't be more excited about the school year. In my free time I enjoy reading, going for jogs, and hanging out with my cat. I recently started taking a Spanish class once a week and am hard at work to learn a second language! I'm a huge Blazer fan and can often be found watching their games during the season.

MR. HEWETT
PE Teacher



What is your teaching super power?

My teaching superpower is developing relationships with students by spending lunches in the library with them. Interested students are invited to eat lunch in the library where we have an opportunity to learn more about each other outside of our typical class setting.

What is your favorite teacher movie?

My favorite teacher movie is Dangerous Minds or Harry Potter.

What will parents see when they come to your class?

If parents were to drop into the library they may see students listening to, quietly reading, or discussing books. Parents might also see students working on research and technology skills in the computer lab.

Tell us about yourself?

I am originally from Ohio. During undergraduate school, I studied art at the Columbus College of Art and Design. I moved to Portland in 2010 because I wanted to explore the world outside of Ohio. For several years I worked as a buyer for a small book collection in a crystal and mineral store and volunteered with youth programs such as the Outside In and Pear. During my work with Portland youth, I became aware of my passion for teaching and mentoring young people--especially connecting them with the resources they needed to explore career and creative endeavors.

MS. FOLTZ

Librarian / Media Specialist



What is your teaching super power?

Positive attitude and passion to engage with students and their individual needs

What is your favorite teacher movie?

Coach Carter

What will parents see when they come to your class?

Students will be learning dance elements or segments to develop the knowledge of rhythm, body parts coordination, and yes, we are dancing!

Tell us about yourself?

My home country is China and I started my college life in Moscow, Idaho. I graduated and got my PE and Health teaching certification. I am married but don't have kids yet, but we do have our lovely dog, an Alaska Malamute, living with us. I love Portland, and really enjoy teaching at Jason Lee.

MR. CHEN

PE and Dance Teacher

**What is your teaching super power?**

I am able to make connections with the students, no matter who they are. It does not matter the background of the student, I work hard to make sure I have found what I have in common with each and every one of them.

What is your favorite teacher movie?

School of Rock! It's silly, hip and funny.

What will parents see when they come to your class?

A fun and structured environment where kids feel safe to enjoy and explore art.

Tell us about yourself?

I am originally from Alabama, I have a 19 year old daughter, I love cats, I watch a lot of movies, I love teaching in Portland, I love cats. Did I say that already?

MS. MENDRO "ART BOSS"

Art Teacher

Thank you for working in our garden!

