



The Jason Lee Times

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Welcome Back!

Dear Jason Lee Families,

It has been great to see our students return from summer break and we adored welcoming our newest set of Lee Leopards, our kindergarten class, this past week. Our enrollment is up this year, with new students and families joining our school almost daily after hearing about the wonderful community that we have here at Lee.

MODA has continued to be a great community partner for us this summer, sending volunteers to help paint our hallways, and giving free backpacks with school supplies to all of our students. We appreciate them and look forward to giving some exciting news about a playground opportunity later this year.

This newsletter includes a couple of important updates about boundary changes to Lee, the middle

school implementation plan and upcoming events here on campus. If you have any questions about any of the things in the newsletter, please feel free to call or email me anytime.



Finally, we would love to continue to foster our great relationships with families and community members here at Jason Lee. We love volunteers, and we encourage parents and families to reach out about opportunities to do so, either through the PTA, by contacting teachers, staff members, or me. We will also reach out to you because you're such an important piece of the success of our school.

Principal Cardona



Jason Lee Open House

Wednesday, September 27th at 5:30

Join us for our Back To School Night where you'll get a chance to meet teachers, visit classrooms, and get to hear, and ask questions, about curriculum, grading, and the teachers in the building. The event lasts from 5:30-7:30pm.

Principal Cardona will begin with a whole-school address, and parents are able to start accessing classrooms shortly after.

Billy Elliot: The Musical at the Newmark Theater

Thursday, September 14 @ 7pm

We just received word that we have about 100 tickets for Jason Lee families to see Billy Elliot: The Musical. The performance is tonight and if you stop by the box office and say that you're from Jason Lee, it's free admission.



PTA Meetings & Volunteering

Next meeting: Tuesday, September 19th @ 5:30

New this year: The PTA will be publishing a bulletin once or twice a week listing upcoming events and important information. It's called The Spot. We think it will be a useful tool for parents to stay informed on happenings at Jason Lee.

To subscribe, just go to <https://groups.google.com/group/jasonleespot/subscribe> and request to join. You'll get an email asking to confirm your subscription which you will need to do as a second step.



Laps for Lee (Rescheduled)

Tuesday, September 26th

Jason Lee is having their annual "Laps for Lee" run to help raise money for technology, art supplies, and assemblies. Please encourage your child to ask friends and family to sponsor them by offering a flat rate or a price per lap. Students that raise \$30.00 or more will receive a Laps For Lee T-shirt!

Laps for Lee Schedule:

K, 1st and 2nd – 9:15–10:00AM

3rd, 4th, and 5th – 12:45–1:30PM

Middle School – 1:30–2:15PM

We would love volunteers and welcome parents to attend!



Pledge sheets will be sent home this Friday, September 15th and the run will be held on Tuesday, September 26th. Pledge sheets due Friday, September 29th.



Coffee Connections

Coffee Connections: Ways To Start off A Successful School Year

Tuesday, October 10th at 8:15 am

You are invited to our Coffee Connections for the month of October. This is a great time to speak with our counselor, Mr. Doherty, our assistant principal, Mr. Robertson and Principal Cardona about issues impacting our school, students and community. Our topic for October will be Ways To Start Off A Successful School Year.

When: Tuesday, October 10th at 8:15 am. Starbucks Coffee and breakfast snacks are provided.

Where: The Jason Lee Teacher Lounge and Family Room (Just left of the cafeteria)

Why: At this coffee connections, we will link parents with school resources so that you know who to go to with concerns, ideas, or comments. Additionally, we will share best practices to start off the school year, ways to engage teachers and staff members, and to answer any questions that you might have about Jason Lee.

Questions?: Contact Mr. Doherty or Mr. Cardona: 503-916-6144 or icardona@pps.net



Proposed Boundary Changes

SCHOOL-LEVEL IMPACTS

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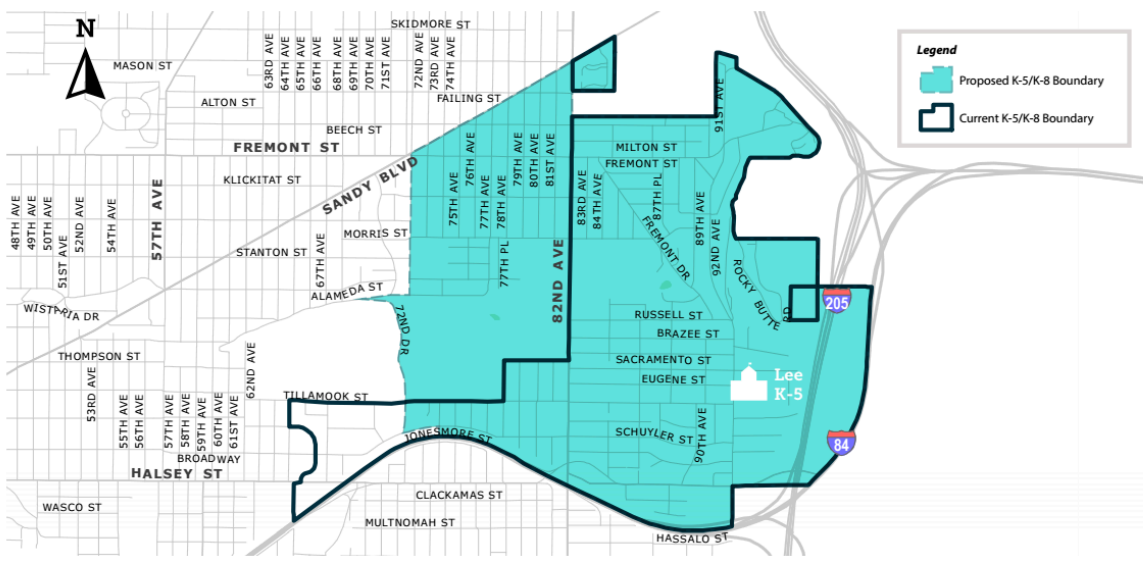
Expected Outcomes

Reconfiguration from a K-8 to a K-5 and boundary changes will:

- ✓ Create an appropriately sized K-5 school
- ✓ Provide improved access to a full middle school program for Lee students
- ✓ Consolidate at one school an income-controlled housing development that had been split between two schools
- ✓ Leave adequate building space for enrollment and program growth

FEEDS INTO
Roseway Heights
Middle School

Proposed Boundary Change



Boundary Changes were rolled out this week for the proposed Roseway Heights Middle School. Above is a map of how that would impact Jason Lee’s boundaries, drawing more students from the Roseway Neighborhood.

This past week I attended a board meeting and listening sessions at both Roseway Heights and Madison High School where Jason Lee parents and community members, in addition to those from other schools, were able to give feedback to the proposed boundary changes and middle school implementation plan. You can find those documents attached if you would like to review them. Our parents spoke passionately about their love for Lee and their desire to have an equitable middle school where students would have a greater variety of elective courses and class offerings. We look forward to seeing that plan take shape under the new planning principal, Kathleen Ellwood, previously the principal of Irvington.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call or email Principal Cardona. icardona@pps.net



Upcoming Events

- September 19, Tuesday - 5:30 Dinner/6:00 pm – PTA Meeting
- September 20, Wednesday – Late Opening; School starts @ 10:00
- September 25, Monday – SUN Fall Term begins 2:30 – 4:30 p.m.
- September 26, Tuesday – Laps For Lee
- September 27, Wednesday - Back to School Night 6:00-8:00 p.m.
- September 28, Thursday – Laps For Lee Alternate day
- September 18, Middle School Booster Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
- September 29th, PTA Willamette Pie Fundraiser begins
- October 3, Tuesday – Picture Day
- October 4, Wednesday – National Walk To School Day (Hero Day)
- October 5, Thursday – Walking school bus begins
- October 6, Friday – PTA Movie night
- October 9, Monday – Willamette Pie order forms due
- October 10, Tuesday – Coffee Connections 8:15 a.m.
- October 13, Friday – State wide Inservice day – No School
- October 17, Tuesday – 5:30 Dinner/6:00 –PTA Meeting
- October 18, Wednesday - Late Opening; School starts @ 10:00 a.m
- October 20, Friday – PTA Harvest Festival; 5-8:00 p.m.
- November 2, Thursday – PTA Movie night
- November 3, Teacher Planning Day – No School
- November 6, Monday – Scholastic Book Fair begins
- November 7, Tuesday – Coffee Connections 8:15 a.m.
- November 7, Tuesday – Grandparents & Special Friends Day
- November 8, Wednesday – Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school)
- November 9, Thursday – Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school)
- November 10, Friday - Parent/Teacher Conferences (no school)
- November 14, Tuesday – Coffee Connections 8:15 a.m.
- November 14, Tuesday – Picture Re-Take Day
- November 22, Wednesday – No School
- November 23, Thursday – Thanksgiving Break (no school)
- November 24, Friday – PPS Closed (no school)