

Chief Joseph Elementary School Family Bulletin

11/14/2023

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*A strong, diverse and
respectful community
where we make learning
creative and fun!*

All-School News

Strike Resources

Meals for during a strike: PPS will provide grab and go meals at more than half of our school locations* for free for all kids, ages 1-18 and all current PPS students. If a strike occurs, meals will be available for pick up on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, between 11:30 am - 1:00 pm.

Chief Joseph Elementary School is a school meal pick up location. Check the [map](#) for other site's you can pick up meals from. You are not limited to picking up meals at your home school, if another location is closer for your family.

Food Pantry

Due to the strike, all school food pantries and markets located at Portland Public Schools (PPS) buildings will be closed until the strike ends. Food is still available for you and your family. Call 211 or visit the Oregon Food Bank (OFB) Finder: [OregonFoodFinder.org](https://oregonfoodfinder.org), where you can enter your address and find all the free food markets, pantries and meal sites in your community.

In addition, SUN community partners are hosting food distributions for all PPS families and the public through the duration of the strike. [Distribution details can be found below or from this flier.](#)

Inner NE: Self Enhancement, Inc.
3920 N Kerby Ave, Portland OR 97227
Fridays, starting Nov 3, 3pm-6pm

Nutrition Services Information

[Breakfast](#)

[Lunch](#)

Upcoming Events - *all are subject to change.*

11/16/23 - Picture Retake

11/20 & 11/21- Day and Evening Conferences, no school

11/22-11/24 - No school

12/1 - PTO Dance Party!

12/1- 12/8 - Book Fair in Library

North/St. Johns: St. Johns Community Center

8427 N Central St, Portland, OR 97203

Mondays, starting Nov 6, 1pm-3pm

12/18 - 12/29 -Winter Break No
School**SE/Lents: Brentwood Darlington Community Center**

7211 SE 62nd Ave, Portland OR 97206

Thursdays, starting Nov 9, 11am-1pm

Portland Parks and Recreation Access Pass: Portland Parks & Recreation

- Discounts to Portland Parks & Recreation (PP&R) programs are available through the Access Pass. Check out portland.gov/parks/discount for more information. Students who receive free meals at school are eligible for additional fee discounts covered by The Fund for PPS.
- The [TeenForce Pass](#) provides youth, ages 10-20 years old, FREE access to designated activities at Portland
- Parks & Recreation's five TeenForce sites: Charles Jordan, East Portland, Matt Dishman, Montavilla, and Mt. Scott Community Centers, as well as a few specially added activities
- For questions, or to register for activities, call or visit any PP&R community center.

Conferences:

First quarter conferences are scheduled to take place on **Monday, November 20th and Tuesday, November 21st**. At this time, we are still awaiting a final decision about conferences. The decision will be made in collaboration between PPS and PAT. We were told to expect a decision later this week. As soon as we hear, we will send the information out to the community.

You're invited to our**Library**

Book Fair dates have been changed! **Our book fair will now take place December 1st - 8th.**

Book Fair will be open before and after school from 8:00-8:35 am and 3:00-4:00 pm.

I am excited to announce that Scholastic has added its version of a gift card as an option for parents; it's called E-Wallet! You can learn more about E-Wallet in this [video](#).

Dates for the Pennies for Books Class Challenge will be postponed until we are back in school! But....you can still start saving your change!

- Each class will be given a collection tub to collect their change. The class that collects the most change will get to use all the donations to go shopping with me at the Book Fair to choose the books they want to add to the library! The challenge would be for each class to bring in pennies or change and the class that brings in the most pennies

will get to use a portion of the money raised (from all the classes) to pick out and purchase books that they want for their classroom library; the remaining of the money will be used to support the Backpack Program in getting books to students who may not be able to shop the Book Fair.

Backpack Program

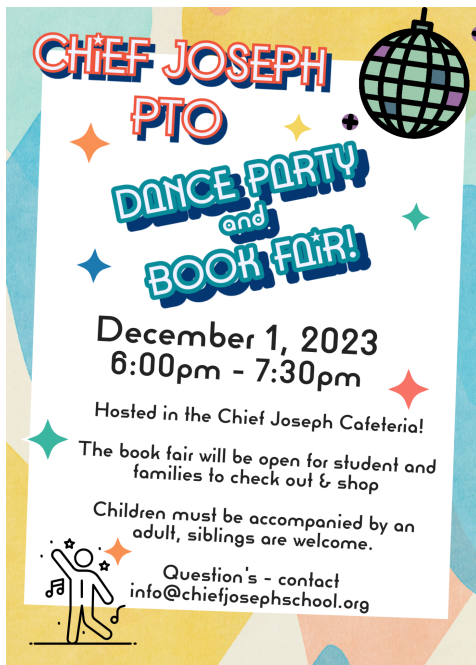
The Backpack Program is available to connect with families in the community and help with problem-solving around accessing resources during the strike. Email backpack@chiefjosephschool.org

Community Giving - Backpack Program Food & Fund Drive!!

Help us send home extra food this winter for our CJES Backpack Program families by participating in our **Backpack Food & Fund Drive**. There will be multiple ways to help, including making donations and entering for chances to win tickets to a Trail Blazers home game or an iPad! Please look out for more details about this event.

PTO Update:

Join us for a Dance Party on Friday, December 1st @ 6:00-7:30 pm.



Pending school being back in session on the PTO is planning on hosting a dance party from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the cafeteria.

We invite you to bring your student to the school so they can dance to fun music with friends and check out the book fair.

We will be offering popcorn, and possibly cotton candy at this event but will not have additional food items.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at this event, please do not drop off your student without a responsible adult.

We will need volunteers for this event - we will send out a sign up.

Upcoming Profit Shares

Thank you to everyone who participated last night in our profit share with Atlas Pizza and the Mayfly Chili Cook-Off over the weekend. The PTO has partnered with local businesses to raise funds for our community. If dining out fits within your family's budget and schedule, please consider adding these dates to your calendar:

- Monday, December 4th: [The Old Gold](#) (3-11 pm)

Chief Joseph Elementary Fundraiser with the Blazers! Mark your calendar for January 17th!

- The Chief Joseph Elementary School community is taking over the moda center (ok... a few sections). The blazers will take on the Brooklyn Nets at 7:00pm. A portion of the proceeds from ticket sales will be donated to the CJES PTO! Tickets start at \$17.
- This is a fantastic opportunity to show support for your school while enjoying the game alongside your friends, family, and fellow members of the school community. Don't miss out on this exciting event and a chance to show your school pride!

Deadline to order tickets is Monday, December 25th. Flier for this event is below!

PTO Community Meetings

We have all of our PTO Community Meetings on the schedule, so please add these to your calendar:

Jan 10, 2023

Mar 13, 2023

Apr 10, 2023

The doors for our community meetings will open at 6pm, and the meeting will start at 6:30pm. We are working to have childcare provided for the remaining meetings, but will confirm prior to each meeting.

PTO Volunteers Needed!

The school and the PTO are in need of volunteers for many things throughout the year. You should have received information regarding volunteering in the welcome packet that was sent home with your student. Please refer to the handout, or this website

<https://www.pps.net/volunteer> to start the process of getting cleared to be a volunteer for the school. Just a reminder that clearance does expire, so if you have questions about your volunteer status please contact Ashley in the office: agale@pps.net

Current Volunteer Needs:

- Fundraising Committee Members - please contact fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org
 - Help with donation procurement for our annual fundraiser. This includes contacting businesses and community members to inquire about in-kind or gift card donations.
- [Playground Project](#) Committee Members - contact chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com

Contact Mandy at volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org with questions or to express interest in volunteer opportunities.

Stay Connected with the PTO!



The PTO has joined instagram! In an effort to help promote events, and share information we think instagram is a great way to stay in touch! Please follow us at: [cjes.pto](#)

If you haven't already connected with the PTO through remind, please sign up to receive timely updates and to stay in touch. You have to opt-in online to receive communications:

<https://www.remind.com/join/cjpto>.

Community News:

Tinker Camp in No Po

Please include me as a resource. I have a 10,000 sq. ft. maker space in St. Johns that I am opening to provide support for our NoPo families. Our first day will be Nov. 1, and we will remain open until the strike ends. We are located down at the edge of Cathedral Park in the old Columbia Sportswear building, the Workshop St. Johns. Go to www.tinkercamp.org/register to sign up. Since we are a non-profit, our services are offered on a sliding scale.

Do you know about the North Portland Pass?

All North Portland residents are eligible for a free [North Portland Pass](#) at Matt Dishman Community Center. This pass allows free access to the center's fitness room and drop-in pool activities. To get your free North Portland Pass

- Call the Customer Service Center line at 503-823-2525
- Call Matt Dishman Community Center at 503-823-3673
- Visit with the front desk staff at Matt Dishman Community Center.

* The North Portland Pass is available only to North Portland residents. Passes must be renewed annually at no cost. Registration period does not end. Residents must have a photo taken on their first visit to create a membership card. **Residents who register for a North Portland Pass can also receive a free TriMet bus pass for access to Matt Dishman Community Center. Tri-Met passes are mailed weekly only to those who indicate needing such during registration.



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7:00 PM**



CHIEF JOSEPH ELEMENTARY PTO FUNDRAISER NIGHT

Join us for an exciting night of basketball and support the Chief Joseph Elementary PTO as the Portland Trail Blazers face off against the Brooklyn Nets at Moda Center on January 17th. A portion of the proceeds will directly benefit the Chief Joseph School.

This is a fantastic opportunity to show support for your school while enjoying the game alongside your friends, family, and fellow members of the school community. Don't miss out on this exciting event and a chance to show your school pride!

VISIT:

**[blazersgroups.com
/chiefjosephelementary](http://blazersgroups.com/chiefjosephelementary)**

ORDER

DEADLINE:

Mon, Dec. 25

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