



# Chief Joseph Elementary School Family Bulletin

11/28/2023

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

## All-School News

Welcome back! We have missed all of our teachers and students and it is so exciting to welcome everyone back into the school.

**Changes to school calendar:** The District and the Union have agreed to make up our 11 lost instructional time on the following days:

- Dec 18-22 (previously week 1 of the winter break)
- January 26 (previously a professional development day for staff)
- February 19 (President's Day holiday)
- April 8 (previously a professional development day for staff)
- June 12-14 (the dates set aside for inclement weather)
- **After School Events:** All of our after school programs, including Chess Club on Monday, are scheduled to proceed.
- **Quarter grading and conferences:** Quarter 1 report cards will be available no later than Friday, December 8th. Two evenings have been identified for conference make up days.
  - January 11th & 12th
- Two additional evenings will be determined and shared with families. We will send more information about conference sign ups shortly.
- **K-5: Borrowed Devices:** Please be sure to send back any borrowed District technology with your student. Teachers will be checking the items back in, so please connect with your student's teacher if there are any issues in returning the technology.

## Nutrition Services

### Breakfast

### Lunch

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**November Drills-**  
Fire & Secure the  
Perimeter

**12/11- 12/15 - Book  
Fair in Library**  
8-8:35am & 3-4pm

**12/15 - PTO Dance  
Party & Bookfair  
open!**

**12/25 - 1/1 - Winter  
Break No School**

**1/10 - PTO  
Community Meeting**

**1/11 & 11/12 -  
Evening  
Conferences**

**1/16- No school  
MLK Jr. Day**

**1/29- No school  
Teacher Planning**

We want to express our gratitude for your patience, understanding, and support during this challenging time. We are all eager to return to a focused and productive educational environment that ensures the best outcomes for our students.

We are also excited to announce that our 5th grade students now have a permanent teacher, Ms. Haley Jacobs. Ms. Jacobs joins us from Serendipity Center, where she was a beloved teacher for the past 6 years. While at Serendipity Center, Ms. Jacobs served as a valued teacher leader on her school's Racial Equity Team, co-creating curriculum with students and other teachers, to build understanding within her school community. We are very excited for Ms. Jacobs to join our team.

## You're invited to our Library



Book Fair dates have changed and will now be **December 11th-15th!** The Book Fair will be open daily before and after school from 8:00-8:35 am and 3:00-4:00 pm and during the PTO Dance on December 15th from 6:00-7:30 pm.

**If you are able to volunteer to help staff the book fair please [sign up](#) to help!**

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](#).

All teachers will have a Wish Tub for families to purchase books that teachers would love to have in their classrooms! If you are interested, please ask Book Fair Volunteers or Mrs. Hall when you visit the Book Fair.

**Pennies for Books Class Challenge** will be different this year! Instead of each class collecting change, the Library will have a Pennies for Books collection during the Book Fair! The change collected 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

### 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**.

#### Details:

PTO Donation drive and drawing: Donate to the PTO Backpack program before December 8th to be entered into our drawing for 2 awesome prizes! Click the link below to be entered:

If it fits within your budget, please consider donating via the [PTO paypal account](#). Donations of any amount are welcome, otherwise you can purchase a chance to win a prize:

- For \$25.00, you will receive one entry to win
- For \$50.00, you will receive three entries to win

Prizes are:

- IPAD 9th Gen 10.2", 256GB Memory
- 2x tickets to Portland Blazers vs. Detroit, Feb. 8th, Section 116, row E

We are also welcoming food donations for our backpack families! If you are able to donate, please see the list of wish list items. Food donations can be dropped off at:

- [Mayfly](#)
- [Arbor Beer Lodge](#)
- We can accept food donations at the front office

Thank you to our wonderful local business who are willing to help collect food for our families!



## PTO Update:

### 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)

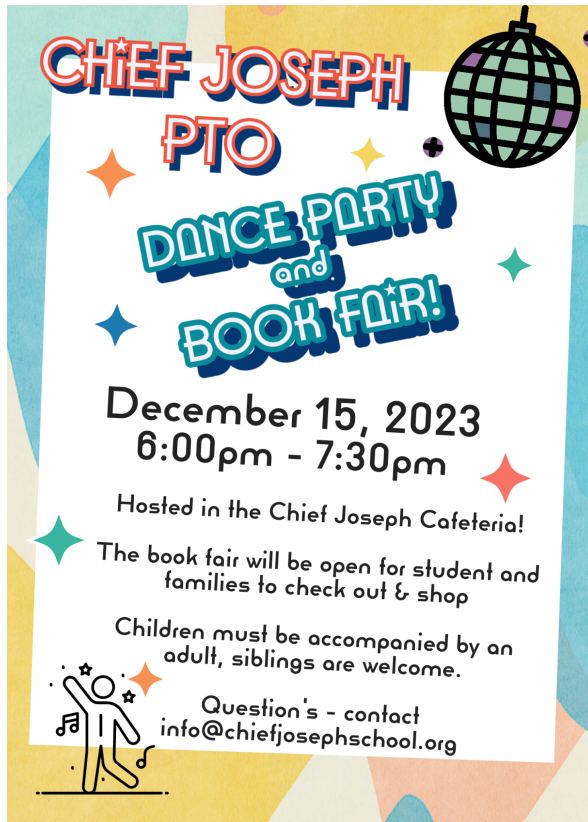
### Current Volunteer Needs:

- Fundraising Committee Members - please contact [fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto: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.
- PTO Dance Party volunteer needs: <https://signup.com/go/kdzVfFf>

- Book fair Volunteer needs: <https://signup.com/go/MvGJfuf>
- [Playground Project](#) Committee Members - contact [chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com](mailto:chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com)

Contact Mandy at [volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org) with questions or to express interest in volunteer opportunities.

**New Date! Join us for a Dance Party on Friday, December 15th @ 6:00-7:30 pm.**



The PTO is hosting a dance party from 6:00pm to 7:30pm in the cafeteria on December 15th.

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 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 are looking for volunteers for this event! If you are interested in helping please sign up here:**  
<https://signup.com/go/RXyMSVU>

**Afterschool Programming - NEW! Fliers for both programs are at the bottom of the bulletin.**

**Yoga Playgrounds** will be offering a winter session of their after school yoga class- For Grades K-3: 3:00-4:00 pm Tuesdays, January 3-March 20th. [Sign up for yoga online here!](#)

**Northwest Children's Theater** is offering an after school program starting in January for students in 2nd - 5th grade.

Dates: 3:00-5:00pm

January 9th - March 12th

**[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.

### **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](https://www.instagram.com/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:**

#### **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](https://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.

#### **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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**WEDNESDAY, JAN. 17  
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**

### **CONTACT:**

JOSHUA PETERS  
503.963.3933  
[joshua.peters@trailblazers.com](mailto:joshua.peters@trailblazers.com)

**STARTING AT**

**\$17**

# Kids Yoga

after school at Chief Joseph  
Winter 2024



In these fun and active classes kids will stretch and energize their bodies and minds through individual and group poses, mindfulness games and creative relaxation techniques. Packed with **playfulness, positivity and fun**, these classes give kids the tools they need to manage their behaviors to lead **happier, healthier** and more **peaceful** lives.



- \*Improve focus and concentration
- \*Develop strength and coordination
- \*Increase confidence and self esteem
- \*Learn self calming techniques
- \*Get a healthy body and mind
- \*Have fun!

WHO: Grades K-3  
WHERE: Chief Joseph Elementary  
DATES: Jan 3 - Mar 20  
DAY&TIME: Tuesdays 3:00-4:00  
COST: \$264 (12 classes)  
INFO: [hello@yogaplaygrounds.com](mailto:hello@yogaplaygrounds.com) / 503-807-9720

REGISTER  
ONLINE!



[yogaplaygrounds.com](http://yogaplaygrounds.com)



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NORTHWEST CHILDREN'S THEATER'S

## Play-in-a-Box: Alice in Wonderland

at Chief Joseph Elementary

JAN 10 - MARCH 13 • TUESDAYS 3 - 5PM • GRADES 2 - 5



Head down the rabbit hole and experience the fantastical world of *Alice in Wonderland* with NWCT's Play-in-a-Box!

Everyone gets a part in this unique play complete with sets, costumes, and props. The catch? All production elements fit in a box! Imaginations run wild as you work together to bring the show to life.

**REGISTER TODAY**  
at [nwcts.org/drama-club](http://nwcts.org/drama-club)

Teachers were prepared, welcoming, and inclusive. My daughter looked forward to class each day and she felt like a valued member of the group. Thank you for creating a safe and warm space for the students!

— RKL, Parent



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