



Chief Joseph Elementary School

Family Bulletin

10.12.2021

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

All School News

COVID-19 Screening Testing Program: Thank you to everybody who has filled out their forms. We did want to inform you that **if your student has tested positive for COVID-19 in the last 90 days, do NOT submit a sample for this program as you will most likely receive a false positive.** Any questions about the OHSU process? Please reach out to Juniper Painton (jpainton@pps.net) or Brendan Tait at OHSU (taitb@ohsu.edu). There is a landing page for the Screening Testing project and it is being updating with resources as requested. [COVID-19 Screening Testing for Students \(OHSU Partnership\)](#)

Attendance: If your child will be missing school, please email jholm@pps.net or call the front office 503-916-6255. Let us know your student's name, the date of absence and the reason. We will update the attendance in our system. Also, if your student is at home due to COVID exclusion, and they complete work from home, please email jholm@pps.net and the teacher to let us know and we will update their attendance to "Work Completed". Please do not send your children to school if they have ANY illness symptoms. Call or email the school and we will let you know the next steps.

Parking: The front of the school on Saratoga Street is not to be used to drop students off. Please be mindful not to park or drive in the no parking zone in front of the school as we need that area clear for busses.

Upcoming Dates

11.05.2021 Friday
No School
Inservice Day

11.11.2021 Thursday
No School
Veteran's Day

11.16.2021 Tuesday
Picture RETAKES

11.22-11.23.2021
Parent/Teacher
Conferences

11.22-11.26.2021
No School
Conferences/Thanksgiving

KG Lunch: 12:20-12:50
1st Lunch: 11:45-12:15
2nd Lunch: 11:20-11:50
3rd Lunch: 11:50-12:20
4th Lunch: 12:15-12:45
5th Lunch: 11:15-11:45

Dog Reminder: No dogs are allowed on campus during the school day. Thank you for not bringing your dog to school between 8:20 am - 3:30 pm.

Safety Patrol: We will be starting our Safety Patrol Program again for the 21-22 school year. 4th and 5th grade students are invited to apply and forms will be going home. The patrol shifts are before and after school and last throughout the school year. Students will gain safety awareness, leadership and teamwork skills. We will have our first training meeting on October 22 and begin Monday the 25th.

Our very own 2nd grade teacher Leesa Ferguson was in the New York Times!

The New York Times
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Finding Joy Outside

By Elaine Chen

As a summer that wasn't quite what we expected transitions to autumn, The New York Times series [Black History, Continued](#) is exploring the many ways Black folks find joy in the outdoors. We asked readers to tell us when they found their love of nature, or even a recent moment of solace outside. Below are some of our favorites.

'Yes, I named my bike'



Courtesy of Leesa Ferguson

I am in loving motion with CoCoBaby. Yes, I named my bike. Street hustling and sidewalk flowing every morning and every evening, with her. She brings me joy — my CocoBaby! She helps me forget my woes and absorb myself with nature: the sultry heat of the summer sun, the crisp fall air with crunchy leaves under her tires, the rainy downpour of the Pacific Northwest rains. Riding on CocoBaby is a mindful meditation of how to be present and breathe in my joy, my gratitude for life and every adventure in between.

-Leesa Ferguson, Portland, Ore.

Library News

Our school's Book Fair is going online, November 1st - 14th! You'll get to enjoy the magic of a Book Fair from the comfort of your home with our Virtual Fair experience. Kids can shop thousands of books online to discover new favorites and stock their shelves with this season's most popular reads! Plus, check out these special virtual shopping perks:



- Access to over 5,000 products.
- Direct shipping to your home and FREE shipping on book-only orders over \$25 (shipping will take approximately 1-2 weeks).
- 25% in rewards earned for our school with all purchases!
- Visit our [Book Fair Homepage](#); shopping will begin November 1st!



Do you have any library books or textbooks at home that you borrowed last year? Bring them back to our Library! We miss them! Can't find them? Let us know; contact Mrs. Hall at bhall@pps.net.

TAG News

This week, students who were nominated for the intellectual area last year, will be tested on Tuesday morning. Those who were nominated last year for math and reading will have their MAP scores used. Our school completed MAP testing last week, and will soon be going over the scores to let you know if any students have qualified for TAG in math or reading. If you nominated your child in these areas last year, you will be notified by the TAG dept. regarding the qualification. If your child received a qualifying score and you have not nominated your child last year, you will be notified by me by the end of the month so that you can have a chance to "officially" nominate your child for TAG.

TAG [Parent Nomination Form](#)

TAG [Chief Joseph Elementary TAG plan](#)

TAG Coordinator Rose Michels, rmichels@pps.net

PTO News

Chief Joseph School Parent Teacher Organization needs your help!

We have three open Board positions: ***Vice President, Treasurer-in-Training, and Volunteer Coordinator***. If you are interested in joining the Board, please contact the PTO.

More information about your PTO can be found on our website: www.chiefjosephschool.org

Sign up for PTO notices on our Remind App: text "@cjpt" to 81010

Email: info@chiefjosephschool.org.

Counseling Corner

Hello Families!

Due to COVID policies, we are unable to let parents in the building. However, we have many new families this year who have not been able to tour the school. As we discussed at Back to School Night, I made a virtual tour of the building so that our new families can see inside. Click on the link below to see the tour!

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1nDejz9UjFdJG7Ene6ulUk9jYriM1p4JL/view?usp=sharing>

Best, Ms. Lynn