



Chief Joseph Elementary School

Family Bulletin

09.20.2022

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

All School News

We have a new face in the front office, Ms. B. has joined the CJES family! She will be with us through the end of October while Ms. Pettit is on leave.

Open House is in Person again this year! To decrease the number of people in the building at one time, we will be hosting three sessions. Session times are 5:30, 5:50, and 6:10. Between sessions, families are invited to join us on the playground where we will have recess games, informational booths, and conference sign ups. Please come to the time slot that is most convenient for you. There is no need to sign up ahead of time, just show up at the time that works best for you. The TAG parent meeting will be at 6:30 in the library.

If you haven't already done so, please login to [ParentVUE](#) to update emergency contacts, medical information and more.

Indian Education is excited to begin working with students! We are currently finalizing school assignments for staff and we will be reaching out to schools in the next few weeks to begin setting up meetings with American Indian/Alaskan Native students. We are beginning with schools with the highest population of AI/AN students and will work from there. If you are considering having an AI/AN/Indigenous club, please be prepared with a school sponsor prior to reaching out.

Upcoming Dates

09.22.2022, Thursday
Open House
5:30pm CJES

09.23.2022, Friday
Teacher Professional Development
No School for Students

10.04.2022, Tuesday
Black Parent Initiative
Black to School Night
5:30pm at CJES

10.06.2022, Thursday
Picture Day!
CJES

10.14.2022, Friday
Teacher Professional Development
No School for Students

11.02.2022, Friday
Teacher Planning Day
No School for Students

OHSU COVID TESTING

PPS is partnering with OHSU again this year to offer free weekly COVID-19 testing for students. Participation in this program is completely optional, but encouraged, and is offered regardless of vaccination status. Participating students will drop off spit samples in pre-labeled tubes at school ***on their designated day*** each week, whether they have symptoms or not. **Schools will begin collecting spit samples starting September 27th-29th.**

What's new?

- **Registration:** Beginning today Parents/Guardians can start enrolling their students through [OHSU's NEW Online Portal](#). If you are unable to enroll for any reason, please call OHSU support at (503) 418-8500.
- **Test Tubes:** New, pre-labeled test tubes with a scannable barcode will be mailed directly to your mailing address and should arrive within a week of enrollment. **Test kits from last year cannot be used, so please throw them away.**
- **Spit Samples:** Spit tests can be collected either the night before or the morning of their school's testing day. Please use this [spreadsheet](#) to know what day to drop off your student's spit sample.
- **Test Results:** When the test results are available, you will receive an email telling you to log into the online portal www.labfinder.com/ohsu to view the results.
- **Additional drop-off locations:** If you miss your weekly testing day, OHSU has added 3 drop-off sites around the Portland metro area.
 - Doernbecher Child Development Rehabilitation Center - 707 S Gaines Street, Portland, OR 97239
 - Primary Care Clinic at Gabriel Park - 4411 S Vermont Street, Portland, OR 97219
 - Richmond Family Health Center - 3930 SE Division Street, Portland, OR 97202

What stays the same?

- There is no cost to families to participate.
- OHSU uses highly accurate molecular testing, known as [PCR](#).
- Students will continue to bring their spit samples to school on the designated testing day.
- OHSU nurses will call parents of all students who test positive or whose tests are inconclusive for the SARS-CoV-2 virus that causes COVID-19.

For more information about OHSU's K-12 Screening Program, visit their website at <http://www.ohsu.edu/k12testing> or contact the OHSU support team at k12covidtesting@ohsu.edu or (503) 418-8500.

Letisia Ayala Guillen, Health Services Coordinator, layalaguillen@pps.net

COVID Response Plan

As we enter a new school-year, we and our health partners, [Multnomah County Health Department \(MCHD\)](#) and the [Multnomah Education Service District \(MESD\)](#), want to remind you of steps you can take to keep yourself, your student, and our school community healthy:



- [Wash your hands](#) or use hand sanitizer often, rubbing for at least 20 seconds.

- Do not share food, drinks, or personal items.



- [Cover coughs and sneezes](#) with a tissue or by completely covering your nose and mouth with the inside of your elbow.

Here are some ways to protect your family and community:



- Stay up-to-date on all vaccines, including [COVID-19 boosters](#) and [influenza](#).

- Limit close contact with anyone who is sick or has a new rash.

- Disinfect high-touch surfaces daily.



- Wear a well-fitting, multi-layered mask indoors and on public transit if [local COVID-19 cases are high](#) or you were around someone with a respiratory illness.



- [Check for symptoms](#) of illness before leaving your home each day:

- Fever or chills

- Sore throat

- Cough

- Vomiting

- Shortness of breath

- Diarrhea

- New loss of taste or smell

- Red eyes with drainage

- New rash or sores



- Anyone who has symptoms of illness OR tests positive for COVID-19 should:

- Stay home and notify their school or direct supervisor.

- Wear a well-fitting, multi-layered mask around other people.

- If symptoms last longer than 24 hours, consider [testing for COVID-19](#) or visit a healthcare provider. Students may get care at a [Student Health Center](#).

If symptoms of illness appear while at school, students will wait in a space away from healthy students until they are picked up by a parent/guardian. **Make sure the school has correct phone numbers so that someone can be reached in case your student needs to be picked up.**

If you have health questions, call your school nurse or your healthcare provider.

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For additional information about PPS protocol please visit- <https://www.pps.net/Page/19668>

Library

When a student forgets to bring their library book, they don't go home empty handed...they can choose a book from our **Free Little Library!** This week our Free Little Library will be open during Back to School Night on September 22nd on the playground! Please stop by our Library table to choose a book or leave a book for someone else.



If you would like to help us refresh our supply of free books for students to choose from, we could really use picture books, level/early readers, graphic novels, and smaller chapter books. Thank you for helping us continue to support our students!

Thank you, Mrs. Hall

Counseling Corner

Dear Families,

As some of you may know, my husband and I are expecting our first child in December. We are so excited to meet him and welcome him into the world! Your children have been so sweet and kind to me as they've been finding out. Many have been congratulating me and expressing excitement about seeing photos of him when he arrives!

I am planning to work until winter break and will then be taking my maternity leave until mid April 2022. While I am gone, we will have a counselor substitute in my place to support your child's social/emotional development. As always, our amazing support team will also be here to support your child. Once we have a counseling substitute confirmed, I will share their information with you in case you need to reach out.



Ms. Lynn

Food Resources

<https://foodfinder.oregonfoodbank.org/?q=97217>

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|--------|--------|--------------|--|----------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| | | 1. 12-2:00pm | 2. 9:00a-1:00pm 3. 1-3 clothes 3. 5-7:00pm | 6. 12:00pm-2pm | 2. 9:00a-1:00pm 4. 11:00am | |
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1. School Pantry at Jefferson High School

WHAT: Free Groceries – Pre-made boxes/bags

HOURS: Tuesdays: 12:30 pm - 2 pm

Last Tuesday of the month closed

PHONE: [\(801\) 874-6072](tel:8018746072)

LOCATION: 5210 N Kerby Ave Portland, OR 97217
on Commercial St. by gym

2. Salvation Army Moore St Center

WHAT: Free Groceries

HOURS: Wednesday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

Friday: 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

PHONE: [\(971\) 340-4010](tel:9713404010)

LOCATION: 5335 N Williams Ave Portland, OR

3. University Park ACS

WHAT: Free Groceries - shopping style pantry

HOURS: Wed: 5 pm - 7 pm

Clothes available from 1-3 pm on Wednesdays

PHONE: [\(503\) 397-4389](tel:5033974389)

LOCATION: 4007 N Alaska St Portland, OR 97203

4. University Park Seventh Day Adventist

WHAT: Free Food Market

HOURS: 1st Friday of the month 11:00 a–12:00 p

First come first served. Please bring your own bag.
11 am until done

PHONE: [\(503\) 282-0555](tel:5032820555)

LOCATION: 4007 N Alaska Ave Portland, OR

5. New Columbia Free Food Market

WHAT: Free Produce

Please bring your own bags.

HOURS: 3rd Saturday each month: 12:00p– 1:00 p

PHONE: [\(503\) 282-0555](tel:5032820555)

LOCATION: 4625 N Trenton St Portland, OR 97203

6. Black Mental Health Oregon Free Food Market

HOURS: Every Thursday: 12 pm - 2 pm

PHONE: [\(503\) 282-0555](tel:5032820555)

LOCATION: 8501 N Chautauqua Blvd Portland, OR

Let me know if there is anything I can do to support you, your family, or your student.

Warmly,

Em Rochford

erochford@pps.net

PTO Update

Profit Share:

Our first profit share of the year is coming up with [The Old Gold](#) on Monday **Oct 17, 2022**. 10% of all sales on that day will be given to the Chief Joseph PTO and will be used to support the PTO's efforts to support students and staff at the school. Please consider supporting a local business, and the PTO at the same time.

Volunteers Needed: We are in need of 5-6 volunteers on Monday, Oct. 3rd from 9:30am to 1:30pm to help at the [PPS/PTA Clothing Closet](#). Volunteers will help kids receive clothing and to help sort donations at the Marshall (Benson HS) Campus; 3905 SE 91st, Room B-60. Please have volunteers check in at the Clothing Center. If you are interested in this volunteer opportunity please contact our volunteer coordinator: volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org.

The first community PTO meeting is **October 12th** so please mark your calendars and plan on attending. We will meet at the school in the cafeteria and will have lots of room to accommodate everyone who would like to attend. The agenda for the meeting will be sent in early October.

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 into receiving communication online here: <https://www.remind.com/join/cjpto>.

Neighborhood News

Join your neighbors from Overlook, Arbor Lodge, and Kenton in a drive thru/drop off event to collect waste, and clean up our neighborhoods on Saturday, October 1, 2022 from 10am to 2pm. If you would like to volunteer please sign up [here](#). Please prepare your load by separating materials - use the Yes/No list below to know what to bring and what NOT to bring.

A suggested donation of \$10/vehicle/load is requested. After paying our bills, any left over funds will be equally divided between Overlook, Arbor Lodge, and Kenton Neighborhood Associations.

YES, we can accept:

- Household junk
- Metal
- Electronics (anything with a cord or battery) but non with fluids, fuels, or biohazards (no refrigerators)
- Microwave ovens
- Block Styrofoam - no film, or peanuts
- Tires, sponsored by Les Schwab Tires on Lombard
- Household Batteries, light bulbs, paint, aerosols
- Clear #1 plastic clam shells - Ridwell on site
- Clear plastic such as bread bags, zip lock bags, no colors - Ridwell on site

NO, we cannot accept:

- Painted items
- any Construction/remodeling waste materials
- Yard debris, kitchen waste, dirt or stumps
- Commercial or hazardous waste, concrete, contractor loads, any form of asbestos
- Car batteries
- Demolition debris: i.e. tiles, plaster, shingles, ceilings, insulation, electrical wire insulation, fireproofing materials
- Starch or styrofoam peanuts, PE, PP foam
- Clothing