



# Chief Joseph Elementary School

## Family Bulletin

### 1.15.19

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Dear Families,

I wanted to remind you about safety in the neighboring streets around our school during pick up and drop off. We have uncontrolled intersections (four way intersections with no stop signs) very close to our school. Please approach these intersections with caution and drive slower than normal during these times. If you are driving, watch out for students, staff and families who are walking and biking to school.

Also, I want to take this opportunity to thank our responsible fourth and fifth grade Safety Patrol students and the grown up volunteers who are braving these cold and windy days to help us all cross the street.

This Friday is Principal's Coffee. I look forward to seeing you there!

Amber Gerber

## PTO News

**Thank you** to everyone who attended last week's PTO Meeting. We covered a lot of information, from the auction, fundraising, and lobby day updates to discussing OAKS testing and our latest school report card with Principal Amber.

**Auction Update** We are off & running! Procurement started in November, and is wrapping up in January. We are having a festive preview party to kick-off the auction on **Thursday, Feb. 21st**, where attendees can preview the classroom projects and where we will open up online bidding. This is a

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

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## Upcoming Events

### Principal's Coffee

Friday, 1.18.19  
9:00 am

### MLK Holiday

Monday, 1.21.19  
No School

### Teacher Planning Day

Tuesday, 1.21.19  
No School

### Lost & Found Clean Out

Friday, 2.1.19  
3:00 pm

### Site Council

Wednesday, 2.6.19  
4:00 pm

### Multicultural Night

Wednesday,  
2.13.19  
6:00 pm

family-friendly, community building event, with free food & drinks from Por Que No and Upright Brewing!

Our auction is the school's #1 fundraiser. Please consider helping out by volunteering or donating (themed gift baskets are popular!) and sharing the auction link with your friends and family once it's available. The auction will wrap up on **Monday, Feb. 25!**

Last, there are a few classroom project leaders still needed. These leaders spend a couple hours in the classroom helping kids create something for the auction by the end of January. Need ideas? Our coordinator can help! Reach out to Erin Batten at [battenek@gmail.com](mailto:battenek@gmail.com) or Sara Guest at [auktion@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:auktion@chiefjosephschool.org) for more information.

**Movie Night** is coming up on **Friday, 2/1**. As a follow-up to November's Kids' Choice Movie Night, we are playing **SPACE JAM!** Please bring comfort items like pillows and blankets, and join us for a free movie. There will be free popcorn, and snacks for purchase. We suggest everyone bring their own water bottle or water cup. *Note: children must be accompanied by an adult.*

**Volunteer at [Portland Council PTA Clothing Center](#)!** We need 5-6 people! **Monday, Feb. 25th** is our day to volunteer. They need us to send 5-6 volunteers for our volunteer day. If we do not have volunteers, they'll have to turn kids in need away. Contact [vp@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:vp@chiefjosephschool.org) for more information. If there is interest, a carpool can be arranged.

**Did you know?** Fred Meyer Rewards cards can be linked to Chief Joseph PTO! Support our school just by shopping at Fred Meyer. They donate \$2.6 million each year to the local schools, community organizations, and nonprofits. All you have to do is link your Rewards Card to [Fred Meyer Community Rewards](#), and scan it every time you shop at Fred Meyer.

**PTO is for everyone. Get involved, and stay connected!**  
Website + Store: [www.chiefjosephschool.org](http://www.chiefjosephschool.org)  
Follow us on Facebook: [@chiefjosephschool](https://www.facebook.com/chiefjosephschool)

Email your questions & ideas:  
[info@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:info@chiefjosephschool.org)

**Principal's Coffee**  
Wednesday,  
2.15.19  
9:00 am

**President's Day Holiday**  
Monday, 2.18.19  
No School

**Immunization Exclusion Day**  
Wednesday,  
2.20.19

**Kindergarten Connect**  
Thursday, 2.21.19  
9:30 am, library

**PTO Auction Kick-off Party**  
Thursday, 2.21.19  
6-8pm, Leftbank Building

**PTO Auction**  
Online bidding:  
Thursday, 2.21.19 -  
Monday, 2.25.19

**Storybook Parade**  
Friday, 3.1.19  
9:00 am, Arbor Lodge Park

**Site Council**  
Wednesday, 3.6.19  
4:00 pm

**PTO Meeting**  
Wednesday,  
3.13.19  
6:00 pm

[president@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:president@chiefjosephschool.org)  
[volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:volunteer@chiefjosephschool.org)

**Interested in quick PTO reminders?** We are on the Remind App! Text "@cjpt" to 81010. Opt-out anytime.

## Important Information

### CHILD CARE PARENT SATISFACTION SURVEY

#### ***Child Care Parent/Guardian Satisfaction Survey: 2018-19***

*Portland Public Schools is interested in learning about your child's experience in before and after school care. Please complete this survey by Friday, January 18th, and for best results, complete one survey for each child. [Survey link.](#)*

Click this [link](#) for translations of this message into PPS supported languages.

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#### **SBAC Testing:**

[https://www.pps.net/cms/lib/OR01913224/Centricity/Domain/207/30day\\_notice\\_english.pdf](https://www.pps.net/cms/lib/OR01913224/Centricity/Domain/207/30day_notice_english.pdf)

### ESL PARENT ACADEMIES

ESL is hosting a series of three Saturday academies for ESL parents this year. Our first November session focused on Successful Parent/Teacher Conferences & High School Graduation Requirements.

The January 26 session at Madison High School will focus on Preparing for College & Learning about the ESL Program. ESL parents will be invited via ESL Community Agent auto-dialer calls and mailings sent home. For more information about the January 26 ESL Parent Academy details and translations you can include in your school newsletters, click [here](#).

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## Resources

### **Cascadia On-Site Mental Health**

We have the pleasure of having an on-site mental health counselor from Cascadia here on Fridays to meet with students whose families are seeking mental health and counseling support. If you have OHP and are interested in this service please contact our School Counselor, Lynn Spiers, at 503-916-6234 or [espiers@pps.net](mailto:espiers@pps.net).

### **Lifeworks Northwest Open Access Mental Health Intakes**

Lifeworks Northwest has added some changes to their intake department to make accessing resources more convenient for families including offering youth drug and alcohol treatment, more evening availability, and offering open access for mental health appointments. Open access will be offered at their St. Johns and Rockwood locations. Open access means that families can come in anytime during the specific time window to meet with a therapist. Families will be seen on a first come, first serve basis. This open access time window will allow families to come in when it is convenient for them to complete the initial intake appointment. Afterwards, families will be scheduled for ongoing appointments with a therapist.

In order to qualify for this resource families will need to call the intake line at 503-645-9010 to register the child and verify OHP insurance. The child will then be scheduled during an open access time or a specific intake slot, whichever is preferred.