



# Chief Joseph Elementary School

## Family Bulletin

### 10.04.2022

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

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## All School News

The Open House was a huge success and we would like to thank everyone that came out and participated! If you were unable to attend please email your teacher or call the front office to set up your parent teacher conference. We will be offering both in person and virtual appointments this year and conferences will be held on November 21st and 22nd. We hope to see you there!

## District News

We are currently seeking membership applications for the district's inaugural PPS Racial Equity and Social Justice Community Advisory Committee (RESJ CAC). This committee will advise both the Superintendent and School Board about about the racial equity and education impacts of policy decisions and work collaboratively to increase understanding and progress towards the PPS [Racial Educational Equity Policy](#) and the [PPS RESJ Plan and Framework](#), PPS reimagined, and the PPS Strategic Plan.

We are seeking to fill the remaining 12 positions from a diverse pool of applications from students, staff and PPS parents with lived experience to be able to provide critical advice and feedback to ensure that PPS meets its mission and vision to prepare students to lead a more just world.

Information about the RESJ CAC can be found in the [PPS RESJ Community Advisory Committee charter](#). You can visit our [website](#) to find additional background information as well.

Here are links in different languages for the application: [English](#), [Spanish](#), [Somali](#), [Vietnamese](#), [Chinese](#), [Russian](#). Applications are due by October 20th and will be reviewed by PPS Staff, Board and the Superintendent with a recommendation for membership made to the PPS School Board for approval at the November 1st School Board Meeting.

## Upcoming Dates

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

10.06.2022, Thursday  
**Picture Day!**  
CJES

10.12.2022, Wednesday  
**PTO Meeting**  
6:00pm CJES Cafeteria

10.14.2022, Friday  
**Teacher Professional Development**  
No School for Students

11.02.2022, Friday  
**Teacher Planning Day**  
No School for Students  
11.11.2022, Friday

**Veterans Day**  
No School

11.15.2022, Tuesday  
**Retake Day**

# Counseling Corner

Dear Families,

My name is Em Rochford and I send out a list of resources about 3 times a year.

Please let me know if you would like...

- to be added to this email list
- additional resources
- help accessing any of these resources

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

With care,

Em Rochford  
503-916-6234

## General Resources

### 211

You can dial 211 from your phone and give your zip code to access resources in our area

<https://www.211info.org/>

### Rose City Resource Guide

<http://rosecityresource.streetroots.org/>

## Food

### Oregon Food Bank Finder

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

## Clothing

### PTA Clothing Center

Contact Em Rochford for the form  
erochford@pps.net  
503-916-6234

## Rental Assistance/Utilities

### 211

[www.211info.org](http://www.211info.org)

Contact 211 to access assistance programs.

## Insurance

### OHP

[www.multco.us/services/health-insurance](http://www.multco.us/services/health-insurance)

Application help: 503-988-5270

## Medical Care

### School based Health Centers

<https://www.multco.us/health/student-health-centers>

Hours: Tues, Wed, and Fri. 7:45am-3:45pm | Mon,  
8:45am-4:45pm

Phone: 503-988-3360

### Multnomah County Care

[www.multco.us/health/primary-care-clinics](http://www.multco.us/health/primary-care-clinics)

Appointments: 503-988-5558

Monday-Friday, 7:30 am - 5:30 pm

## Dental Care

Wednesday 10/5

Free Clinic of SW Washington

4100 Plomondon St, Vancouver

Call for appointment: 360-450-4744

## Counseling

Email me with your insurance for a list of counselors who take your insurance.

Em Rochford erochford@pps.net

## Crisis

### Suicide Concerns

Dial 988

### Domestic Violence Resource Center

<https://www.dvrc-or.org/>

503-640-5353

# TAG

## **NEW!** Parent Office Hours with the TAG Department

Ask questions and receive information related to TAG identification, services, processes, etc.

We will meet on Zoom, 6:00-7:00 PM on 10/26/22, 11/30/22, 1/25/23, 2/22/23, 3/22/23, 4/26/23, and 5/31/23.

[Zoom link](#) for Parent Office Hours with the TAG Department

We look forward to seeing you!

SAWUBONA SCHOOL PROGRAM PRESENTS

# Black to School Night!

**OCTOBER 4 | 5:30 - 7:00PM**  
**CHIEF JOSEPH LIBRARY**

**DINNER PROVIDED!**



**SAWUBONA**  
I SEE YOU, I VALUE YOU



**BLACK PARENT INITIATIVE**

# PTO Update

## Community Meeting

The first community PTO meeting is **October 12th at 6:30pm** in the cafeteria at school. Doors will be open at 6:00pm for families to visit, and to grab a bite before the meeting begins (we will order pizza). Principle Amber will be in attendance and will provide updates and be available to answer parent questions. Parents are welcome to bring students, and siblings but we are not able to provide childcare.

## Support Chief Joseph Elementary & The Blazers!

The PTO has partnered with the Blazers to help fundraise for the school. Purchase your ticket by **October 14th, 2022** for the **Wednesday, November 2nd 2022** game against the Grizzlies. Tickets start at \$24 and \$5 dollars from every ticket will go directly back to the PTO. Flier for the event is below. If you have any questions please contact: [fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org)

## Profit Share:

Our first profit share of the year is coming up with [The Old Gold](#) on **Monday, October 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:

Our volunteer Coordinator has been working really hard to connect with school staff, administration, and teachers to see what our needs are for volunteers this year. If you have any interest in volunteering please contact Fernanda our Volunteer Coordinator: [fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org](mailto:fundraising@chiefjosephschool.org) to connect about volunteering. There are so many opportunities for families to help support the school and teachers.

## Staying in Touch

In an effort to communicate to our Chief Joseph Community we started a Twitter account so we can share timely information and updates. If you are on twitter please give us a follow as we build this platform. Our handle is: **@ChiefJoSchool**



**Remind** is still a great way to stay in touch. If you haven't already connected with the PTO through remind, please sign up to receive timely updates and to stay in touch. You can even message the PTO if you have any questions. Opt into receiving communication online here:

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



*Trail  
Blazers*

*VS*

**GRIZZLIES**

**WEDNESDAY,  
NOVEMBER 2  
7:00 PM**



**CHIEF JOSEPH  
ELEMENTARY  
PTO  
FUNDRAISER  
NIGHT**

Enjoy special savings, and sit with your friends, family, and fellow Chief Joseph Elementary community! \$5 of each ticket sold goes directly back to the Chief Joseph PTO.

Each patron who takes part in this special event will receive exclusive early entrance into Moda Center to watch the teams warm up before the game.

VISIT:

<https://fevo.me/chiefjosephpto>

ORDER DEADLINE:

**FRI, OCT. 14**

CONTACT:

JOSHUA PETERS  
503.963.3933

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

**STARTING AT \$24**

**Playground Project**

The **Chief Joseph Playground Committee** is on a mission to transform the current schoolyard from a sea of asphalt into a vibrant landscape...full of opportunities for creative play, community gathering, and connection to nature...for all who use it.

As you've probably noticed, **last year** we managed to remove 800sf of asphalt to plant four trees, including a native Oregon white oak framed by native plants and log benches. We also put together and presented a conceptual "Vision Plan" for the whole north campus based on feedback in the previous year about what the school community would like to see there. We still welcome your input on this redesign, so if you or your child haven't done so already, please visit our brief [survey](#) to share your

reflections before we shift our focus towards developing and manifesting it. This year we hope to identify which aspects of the Vision Plan should be implemented first, to pursue funding for them as we get the plans "shovel-ready," and ideally to start bringing some smaller projects to life.

The mission here is a mighty one, and it will take many hands to accomplish it. Every bit of contribution to the Playground Committee's efforts is deeply appreciated. Specifically we are looking to fill the following positions at this time:

- Committee Co-Chair
- Communications Chair and support
- Grant Researcher
- Grant Writer
- Landscape Designer (to develop design from conceptual to build-ready)
- Events Coordinator
- Committee Administrator

Please reach out by emailing [chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com](mailto:chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com) if you are interested in supporting the project in any way (as listed above or otherwise!) or if you have any questions or comments. Regular meetings for the '22/'23 school year will be held every 3rd Wednesday of the month from 6:30-7:30pm at Arbor Beer Lodge unless otherwise noted, so hopefully we will see you there! We will also be sharing in an upcoming PTO meeting if you'd like to connect that way.

**Thank you to all the past, current and future supporters of this very exciting movement!!**

***A glimpse of the art recently being created by students!***

