

# Chief Joseph Elementary School Family Bulletin 10.23.18

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Dear Families.

Halloween is around the corner, and this is one of the biggest holidays for many kids. I wanted to remind families of our expectations here at school. We do not wear Halloween costumes at school. However, I am super excited to see everybody at the Harvest Festival this Friday evening, where costumes are welcome. I also encourage parents to limit the amount of candy they send with their students to school.

Our lost and found is overflowing! Please remind your student to check the lost and found for any missing items or feel free to peruse the lost and found at pick up or drop off. It is located in the hallway at the east end of the school in front of the gym.

We are in need of a few more boxes of tissues in order to be ready for this winter. If you have any you can donate, please drop it by the front office. Thank you!

Finally, rain is in the forecast. Please remember to send your student to school with a coat. We tend to go outside, even if it's a little rainy.

Amber Gerber, Principal

#### **PTO News**

Please join Chief Joseph families for our first revenue share of the year TODAY Tuesday, 10/23 at Tamale

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

# Upcoming Events

PTO Revenue Share: Tamale Boy on Dekum

Tuesday, 10.23.18 All day, 11am-9pm (new date)

Harvest Festival

Friday, 10.26.18 6:00-8:00 pm

Teacher Planning Day: No School

Monday, 10.29.18

Picture Retakes

Tuesday, 11.6.18

Site Council

Wednesday, 11.7.18 4:00-5:00 pm

Veteran's Day: No School **Boy on Dekum!** A portion of the day's proceeds will come back to support class field trips & school supplies. This is a great way we partner with local businesses to help our students.

Tamale Boy, 1764 NE Dekum St, 11am-9pm <a href="https://www.tamaleboy.com/">https://www.tamaleboy.com/</a>

Harvest Festival is this Friday, 10/26 from 6-8pm!
Free fun for students & families! Join us in the Cafeteria & Gymnasium for games, prizes, face painting, crafts, cake walk, bouncy houses, and a DJ! Costumes welcome! This is a great time to build community and have fun together.

If you are able to **volunteer** during **Harvest Festival**, please sign up here: <a href="http://signup.com/go/cujZAfM">http://signup.com/go/cujZAfM</a>

As always, reach out if you have PTO questions or suggestions.

www.chiefjosephschool.org

Facebook: <a href="mailto:ochiefjosephschool">ochiefjosephschool</a>

Email: info@chiefjosephschool.org president@chiefjosephschool.org

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

## **Counseling Corner**

#### Hello Families!

I wanted to reach out to you and let you all know of an amazing opportunity that we have at Chief Joseph Elementary this year. We are lucky to have a counselor from Cascadia Behavioral Health working on campus where she can meet with students and families during the school day. Her name is Kayla Daniels, and she will be at Chief Joseph Elementary on Fridays starting October 26th. In order to qualify for services, families will need to be insured by OHP. If you are interested in seeking counseling for your student, please reach out to me, Lynn Spiers, at 503-916-6234 or at espier@pps.net. If your family is not insured by OHP and are seeking counseling services, feel free to reach out to me as well, and I would be happy to help you navigate resources. Thank you!

Monday, 11.12.18

Parent Teacher Conferences: No School

> Monday, 11.19.18 Tuesday, 11.20.18

Thanksgiving Holiday: No School

Wednesday, 11.21.18 Thursday, 11.22.18 Friday, 11.23.18 Your School Counselor, Lynn Spiers

#### Resources

### Counseling Resource

If you are interested in counseling services for your student and your family is insured by OHP, please contact the school counselor, Lynn Spiers, at 503-916-6234 or at <a href="mailto:espiers@pps.net">espiers@pps.net</a> for more information about our on campus counselor from Cascadia Behavioral Health.

#### Collaborative Problem Solving Online Group Training

Collaborative Problem Solving is an evidenced-based, trauma-informed approach to behavior management. OHSU is offering an 8 week online training to parents with a challenging child. Requirements of the online course include a computer, a webcam, an internet connection, and a microphone. The classes will be Tuesdays from 5:30pm-7pm starting November 6. If you would like to register or get more information please contact CPS at OHSU at 503-346-1490 or <a href="mailto:cps@ohsu.edu">cps@ohsu.edu</a>.

#### **TAG News**

TAG (Talented And Gifted) is used when referring to a student who is identified as Talented and Gifted though pre-established identification procedures and criteria. Portland Public School's goal is for all students to have equal access to a rich learning environment and their individual needs met by creating opportunities based on principles of equity and the Successful Schools Framework.

TAG is defined as a group of students who demonstrate an advanced or even exceptional ability in a particular area, and score between the 95th and 99th percentile. Through the use of an assessment tool and process, PPS may identify students who have potential to perform at high levels either in talent or giftedness. This definition of potential includes the intentional and substantive development of our students so their talents and gifts can be recognized, supported and nurtured.

If you believe your child may have skills/abilities in the Talented and Gifted (TAG) range, there is a process by which you may nominate your child for evaluation for this eligibility. To nominate your child, you must turn in your application for the evaluation to Rose Michels, Building TAG Facilitator, by November 30th. The form is available on the TAG bulletin board in the hallway across from the staff lounge or on the TAG website: <a href="http://www.pps.net/tag">http://www.pps.net/tag</a> Please fill out the parent portion and give the form to your child's teacher to complete. Then, place the form in my mailbox or give it directly to me.

Students in grades 3-5 cannot be nominated for reading or math as they will be using the statewide SBAC test scores to determine eligibility. If your child scores between 95-99 percentiles, you will be notified and asked if you would like to nominate your child for TAG at that point. This will be closer to the end of the year, after testing has occurred.