



Chief Joseph Elementary School

Family Bulletin

05.17.2022

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

All School News

If you have a child who will be five on or before Sept. 1, please click [here](#) to register for kindergarten. Also, join us for the **Kindergarten Popsicle Social** for current and incoming kinder families on Thursday, June 7th from 4:30-5:30pm at Arbor Lodge Park. This is an opportunity for incoming families to tour the classrooms and meet our kindergarten teachers!

5th grade promotion will be held on Tuesday, June 7th and we are looking for 4th grade parent volunteers to help with decorating and the set up. If you are interested please email Ms. Lynn at espier@pps.net

As a school, we have resumed sending community notifications when there is a positive COVID-19 case on site. There was some confusion about the need to send these letters after we stopped conducting contact tracing. Moving forward, we will be sending a letter within 24 hours of learning of a positive case on site during their contagious period.

In art class, students made Lotería cards for the PPS/Portland Art Museum show and Laynee Sieng's card was hand selected by PPS Board members to become part of the official PPS Lotería deck! Laynee is in third grade in Ms. Michels' class and her card is currently on display at the BESC!

Upcoming Dates

05.20.2022 Friday
Fun-d Run!

05.20.2022 Friday
Spring Festival
Chief Joseph Elementary
6:30pm-8:30pm

05.30.2022 Monday
No School
Memorial Day

06.01.2022 Wednesday
PTO Meeting 6:30pm
CJES Cafeteria

06.07.2022 Tuesday
Incoming & Current Kinder Social
Arbor Lodge Park
4:30pm-5:30pm

06.07.2022 Tuesday
5th Grade Promotion
6:00pm

06.09.2022 Thursday
Field Day

06.10.2022 Friday
Last day of School!



PPS Loteria deck on display at the BESC. Laynee's card is bottom right, second from right.

PTO Update

Spring Fest is happening! We can't wait to see you this Friday, May 20th from 6:30-8:30pm!

The PTO is so excited to bring our Chief Joseph community together and celebrate wrapping up the school year. We have lots of fun activities planned, so please bring the entire family for this fabulous event. There will be bounce houses, a cupcake hop, yard games, and more fun! We have secured a food cart which will have food for purchase available. If you would like to look at the menu before the event you can check it out here:

<https://www.pidginholeportland.com/>

There are still a few more volunteer shifts to fill if you are interested in helping at the event, you can sign-up at: <https://signup.com/go/nSqQbnb>.

If you have any questions don't hesitate to reach out to the PTO – treasurer@chiefjosephschool.org.

PTO Meeting & Board Elections June 1st


Mark your calendar for the next PTO meeting - **Wednesday, June 1st at 6:30 - 7:30**. At this time we plan to host this meeting in-person at the school, if this changes we will be in touch. We'll be hearing from Principal Amber and holding elections for our PTO Board - more info to come! If you have any questions you can reach out to president@chiefjosephschool.org

If you want to lean in to help and stay updated on PTO activities, please sign up to get our Remind updates: <https://www.remind.com/join/cjpto> or text "@cjpt" to 81010 via the Remind App

Library

It's almost that time of year and we only have a few more weeks to check out Library books.

IT'S TIME
TO 
YOUR
LIBRARY
BOOKS

 All Library
Books **DUE**
June 3, 2022

Last week for checking out books will be May 23-27. All books need to be returned by Friday, June 3rd so we have time to get everything back before Summer Break. Please be on the lookout for late notices and Fine Notices sent home (via backpack and email). If a book is lost or damaged, students will be charged for a replacement book and parents will be emailed. Parents can pay the replacement fee with Mrs. Hall (exact cash only please) or online at [SchoolPay](#). Any questions or concerns, please feel free to email me at bhall@pps.net

PPS Student Chromebooks:

During the school year, 3rd- 5th grade students have had access to a personally assigned Chromebook for use during the school day and at home. **PPS needs to inventory these devices and it is very important that your student has their Chromebook, charger, and case with them at school.** Mrs. Hall, our Librarian Media Specialist, will be inventorying 3rd-5th grade Chromebooks during Library class the week of May 23 - 27, 2022. Please fill out this [form](#) and send it in with your student to give to Mrs. Hall for our inventory week. (If you need a paper copy, please notify Mrs. Hall at bhall@pps.net or have your student pick one up during Library class.)

If your student is completing 5th or if your student will not return to this school next year their assigned Chromebook, charger, and case will be **collected on June 10th or before leaving if moving sooner.** Please **be sure to send** the Chromebook, charger, and case to school on our inventory day.

If your student's Chromebook was lost or stolen, please complete the lost/stolen section on the form. Lost or stolen Chromebooks may incur a replacement fee.

If you would like your student to keep their Chromebook during the summer months, please tick the appropriate box on the form and provide your signature as permission. Please also review the reverse side of this form to ensure that your student and you understand the rights and responsibilities of using a PPS-provided Chromebook.

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Playground Committee Update

The Chief Joseph Playground Committee formed two years ago with the aspiration to improve Chief Joseph's playground for the students and community who use it...adding more opportunities for play, community gathering and connection to nature. As you have likely noticed, we removed 800 square-feet of asphalt this year and planted four trees, including a native Oregon white oak, framed by native plants and three log benches. Over the winter Laura Hartzell, a landscape designer and previous Chief Joseph mom, donated her time to develop a conceptual design based on ideas from many in the community. Our goal is to implement some version of this plan over the next few years with the support of grants and other community fundraising efforts.

Community input is vital to the success of this project - we want your feedback! We are excited to share this concept for a redesigned playground with you. Our plan is to finalize the conceptual design this summer based on your feedback. We will offer several ways for the community to provide feedback over the next two months:

- We will have a table at Chief Joseph's Spring Festival on Friday, May 20. Come by to learn about the project, see the conceptual design and fill out a survey;
 - We will do a brief presentation at the last PTO meeting of the year, June 1. Come see a quick walkthrough of the conceptual design and be directed to the [online survey](#) to provide your feedback;
 - Students will get their chance to provide input on the conceptual design at school during the month of May;
 - We will attend the Arbor Lodge and Piedmont neighborhood association meetings in May or June to inform the community, share the conceptual design and allow them to provide input via the online survey;
 - We will provide the link to the master plan and online survey in the rest of this year's school newsletters.

We are also putting a call out for volunteers to support this effort next year. It will take many of us to bring this opportunity to life; any and all skills are welcome! Email chiefjosephplayground@gmail.com with your interest, questions or comments. Thank you for your input and support on this exciting community project.



S.T.E.A.M. TEAM

Summer Camp

Come and join Ms. Michels on the S.T.E.A.M. Team, and learn more about Science, Technology, Engineering, Art, and Math through a weeklong summer camp!



Some of the concepts we will explore are:

- ♥ How to make a solar oven to melt chocolate and marshmallows for s'mores
- ♥ Using watercolor to paint a sweet summer treat
- ♥ Program computer parts to create a smart light
- ♥ ...and more!

Who: Incoming 3-5th graders

When: M-F June 20th-June 24th

Time: 9:00am to 12:00 pm

Cost: \$300 for the entire week

**Scholarships and financial assistance available for those on free or reduced lunch.*

Spots are limited, so please sign up early.

If you would like to sign up, please contact michelsrose@hotmail.com with:

The name and the grade your child will be entering for the 2022-2023 year and I will send you an invoice.