

James Madison Charter Academy

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Madison Manifesto



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Principal



Upcoming Events

- ◆ Feb. 5 – Literacy reports go home
- ◆ Feb. 14 – Red, White & Pink Theme Day
- ◆ Feb. 15 – PTO 6:00
- ◆ Feb. 16 & 19 – NO SCHOOL – President's Day holiday
- ◆ Feb. 20 – Literacy reports go home
- ◆ Feb. 20 – March
- ◆ Feb. 26 – BAAC 4:00
- ◆ Feb. 26 – Board 6:00
- ◆ Wednesday is Early Release at 1:00

CMAS testing for grades 3-7 during the month of April. PLEASE ensure you child is at school and on time during this month.

Principal's News

This is a busy quarter! We had spelling bees last week and the District Speech Contest will be March 1. We begin our annual read-a-thon on February 20 in conjunction with our celebration of Dr. Seuss Day on March 2. Be forewarned that we will be having Seuss Character Day on March 2. There are many characters that students may be adorned as on that day. It is probably not too early to remind everyone that the month of April is state testing for students in grades 3-7. We try not to do extra activities during that month so we may concentrate on testing. We request that any appointments, trips, or other happenings that take students out of school during that month be scheduled outside the school day.

Dr. S

Read-a-thon

Have a business you would like to advertise on the Read-a-thon website for all families to see? When you place your advertisement on the site, it is on several pages and viewed by our community as well as friends and supports. We encourage the support of local businesses. For as little as \$100, a local business can get an ad on every page on our Read-a-thon website. Ask your dentist, doctors, realtors and stores to donate today. The website is read-a-thon.co/donate/ and the secret code to use is 17790.

Theme Day

February's theme day will be Red, White and Pink day on February 14. Students may wear any or all of those colors by paying \$1. Dr. S says you may also wear PURPLE

NO SCHOOL
February 16 & 19
President's Day

Proceeds from Bond Issue

All District 3 schools will receive a little over \$31,000 from the recent bond election. We will solicit ideas from students, parents and staff about how we should spend our money. We are to spend it on items that will benefit our students. This can be building improvements, technology or other programs. It may not be spent on curriculum. The BAAC will be responsible for obtaining input and putting forth recommendations. Watch for a survey to come home soon.

Our request for a new fire security system was approved and will be funded over and above the \$31,000. We had also requested parking lot improvements, including regrading and surfacing the dirt area. That project is still being considered.

SPELLING BEES

Our JMCA spelling bee included representatives from each class, grades 4-7. The top spellers were:

- 4th grade Anthony Washell
- 5th grade Jack Calabrese
- 6th grade Aaron Johnson
- 7th grade Amon Stone

Aaron was our grand champion with Jack second and Anthony third.

Tony represented 4th grade at the District Bee, along with Daniel Rivera and Landen Cummings. Our 5th graders were Jack, Naaman Rios and Natalia Hildebrand.

All the students did a great job. They demonstrated poise, confidence and spoke with loud voices. I was proud of them when they congratulated several of the winners and sponsors of the team when we boarded the bus to return to school. Sponsors of the event also commented to me how wonderful our children were.

