James Madison Charter Academy

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Madison Manifesto



Dr. Anne Shearer-Shineman Principal



Upcoming Events

- ◆ April CMAS testing
- ◆ Apr. 9 Literacy reports go home
- ♦ Apr. 19 PTO
- ♦ Apr. 21 District Art Fair at French Elementary, 10:00 – 2:00
- ◆ Apr. 23 –
 Literacy reports go home
- ◆ Apr. 23 BAAC 4:00
- ◆ Apr. 23 Board 6:00
- ◆ Apr. 27 Theme day - Jeans & Greens
- Apr. 30 & May1 NOSCHOOL
- ♦ Wednesday is Early Release at 1:00
- Wednesday is formal uniform

Principal's News

THANK YOU to all our 5-7 graders for being at school each day of testing last week. It was wonderful to have perfect attendance and NO make-ups! Hopefully, we can keep that up for the next two weeks.

With two more weeks of testing, I want to remind parents that no visitors are allowed in the building on testing days. You may still drop off items for students as needed. We end our official testing on Friday, April 20 but may be continuing with make-up tests the following week.

Dr. S

NO SCHOOL April 30 - May 1

PTO Fundraiser

Hello families! Last week your kiddos brought home order forms for some of our favorite fundraisers. One order form is for a community favorite of braided breads and the other is for wonderful and delicious popcorn. Both of these companies have been incredibly supportive of JMCA in the past and we're excited to continue on the tradition this year.

We, the PTO, appreciate all the support from the families throughout the school year and look forward to this last fundraiser helping us support the school in return.

NOTE:

There is a small error on the popcorn order form. The white cheddar was listed twice and one with a price error. The 2.5oz for \$4 should NOT be on the form. Please cross that out. We apologize for the inconvenience.

It's a go with 8th grade!

After our lottery, we have enough students to have a 7/8 class next year. If any students currently on the list decide not to remain at JMCA next year, it is critical that you notify us ASAP because our numbers are still small.

Bond Update

The top items to be funded from the bond from teachers, students and parents are a black top area on the playground, new gym floor, and purchasing iPad/notebooks. We are putting together a proposal for the Board which will then be forwarded to the district for approval. We are already working with the District on the parking lot and fire security system.

Theme Day

To celebrate the end of CMAS testing, we will be wearing jeans and greens on Friday, April 27. FREE

April showers bring May flowers,

AND help decrease the

high fire danger!



Other News



Absences

When your child is going to be absent, please call 391-3977 before 9:00 a.m. This allows us to verify absences efficiently. If you know your child will be absent in advance, please fill out an Excused Absence Request Form at the front office. We appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

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PTO NEWS

During the course of this school year the PTO has provided clubs with necessary supplies, covered portions of field trip costs, provided Christmas gifts for staff, helped provide incentives during testing, and will also assist with field day. These things are only made possible because of the wonderful families and opportunities like these fundraisers. Thank you so much from both the PTO and the kiddos.

The next PTO meeting is

Thursday, April 19 at 6:00 p.m.

BAAC

We would like to thank everyone who returned a survey. We have tabulated the results and will report them to the Board at their April meeting.

The next BAAC meeting is

Monday, April 23 at 4:00 p.m.

DRESS FOR SUCCESS!

With drastic changes in the weather from day to day, please ensure that students are dressed for the weather.

Students who wish to wear long underwear tops must wear long-sleeved polo shirts and only white undershirts are allowed.

Outerwear may not be worn in class, only JMCA sweaters.

Don't be shy, run for the Board of Directors!



Carpool

Parents are reminded to follow our carpool procedures for student safety and efficiency. PLEASE HELP US KEEP OUR CHILDREN SAFE!

Safety Reminder

Your children's safety is a priority at JMCA. We continue to improve our procedures to ensure children are safe at school. Don't forget that students are not allowed to carry any type of medicine with them at school. This includes over-the-counter items such as aspirin, Pepto-Bismol or ointments.

Board of Directors

It's that time of year already! The next board election will be in May and we will be looking for three new members. Think about running for the board to support JMCA. Nomination packets are available and will be accepted from April 17 - May 10.

The next BOD meeting is

Monday, April 23 at 6:00 p.m.

Yearbooks

Yearbooks are now on sale. They may only be pre-ordered and there are a limited number available. We always sell out!

You may also purchase a page or part of a page for your child(ren).



SCRIP

Gift cards make a quick and easy gift any time!

If you wish to place an order, just complete the order form and make checks payable to "JMCA".

James Madison Charter Academy inspires children to explore a diverse world through hands-on learning.