

# James Madison Charter Academy

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## Madison Manifesto



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Principal



## Principal's News

Y'all come to the Fall Festival on Friday! It is always a good time for all. The PTO has some new activities this year for you to enjoy.

Dr. S

### Theme Day



Wednesday is our theme day. Students may pay \$1 or bring in a canned good in order to dress up as a character from a book, movie, or cartoon. No masks, weapons or inappropriate items allowed.

### Likeable Lunchin"



PLEASE refrain from sending in Halloween candy with students. One or two pieces with lunch is fine but we often get students whose whole lunch is candy!

Here are a few tips for making school lunches nutritious and delicious for your child.

- Veggies that can be prepared in a variety of ways are crunchy favorites this time of year. Squash, broccoli, and sweet potatoes are examples fall vegetables.
- Don't forget the nuts and seeds from veggies - like pumpkins and sunflowers.
- In addition, to the large variety of apples available during the fall, grapes of several varieties, cranberries and the year-round favorite bananas are healthy treats.



# Fall Festival

Sponsored  
by your PTO

FRIDAY,  
November 2  
6:00 - 8:00 PM



This is free event for our families. Purchase tickets (@ 25¢) for the activities/food you want. There will be food and activities for all ages. This is truly a festival - games, contests, prizes, face paint, pie in the face! Even a bake sale.

Yes, we need baked goods for our bake sale - cookies, cupcakes, pie. Bring in your items by Wednesday, October 31.

But wait! There's more! We are having a costume contest (no masks, blood or gore). If you wish to participate, you must be at the school by 5:30 SHARP!

Students must be accompanied by and SUPERVISED by a parent. Children should not be allowed to go outside or run around.

## Upcoming Events

- ◆ Oct. 29 - Progress reports go home
- ◆ Oct. 29 - 4:00 BAAC Meeting
- ◆ Oct. 29 - 6:00 Board of Directors Meeting
- ◆ Nov. 2 - Fall Festival 6:00 - 8:00
- ◆ Nov. 7 - Picture retakes
- ◆ Nov. 10 - First Lego League - District Competition (Robotics club)
- ◆ Nov. 12 - NO SCHOOL
- ◆ Nov. 13 - Progress reports go home
- ◆ Nov. 13 - Skate City, 4:00 - 6:00
- ◆ Nov. 15 - PTO 6:00
- ◆ Nov. 19 - 23 - Thanksgiving break
- ◆ Wednesday is Early Release at 1:00
- ◆ Wednesday is Formal dress



**NO School  
November 12**

## Other News



WE WANT YOU...

### 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

We still need volunteers for our Fall Festival! Sign-ups are on the PTO board. All food items are needed by October 31. We still need volunteers to help set up, bring food items and clean up.

Please note that the date for Skate City is November 13. The date was incorrect in the last newsletter. The time will be 4:00 - 6:00. The bus will pick students up at 3:30.

The next PTO meeting is

**Monday, November 15  
at 6:00 p.m.**

### BAAC

The next BAAC meeting is

**Monday, November 26  
at 4:00 p.m.**

### Carpool

Carpool has been going very well. We ask for your assistance with the following:

- ☆ NO LEFT TURNS INTO OR OUT OF THE PARKING LOT!

### The issue of lice

We encourage parents to inform the school should their child have lice. We need to know when the child received treatment and that the treatment has worked. We do not make the information public.



## Manifesto

### Board Bits

The Board of Directors meets on the last Monday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the science/art room. Meetings are public and parents are encouraged to attend. Parents earn volunteer time for attending meetings.

The next BOD meeting is  
**Monday, November 26  
At 6:00 p.m.**

### Service Dog

This is official notice that there is a service dog at JMCA. Procedures of the Widefield District #3 policy KP on Service Dogs are being followed. The dog provides service to Dr. S and is in the building daily. The dog remains in the office most of the time but may be in other areas of the school as well. Students have been instructed that they may not pet or play with the dog because she is "at work." She wears a harness denoting that she is a "service dog." If anyone in the JMCA community has concerns regarding possible allergies to dogs or fear of dogs, he or she is directed to communicate with Donna Smith, Business Manager.