



The 100% Honest Weekly Bugle

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Meet the writer-

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Dear JMCA Family:

First off, I cannot say this enough, but thank you. I know that we are currently living in a stressful and unprecedented period. However, as a school, James Madison Charter Academy is doing everything to the best of our ability to protect both you and your child/children. Currently, JMCA is following the health guidelines set out by the El Paso County Health Department. I have included a link of the guidelines for parents from the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. <https://covid19.colorado.gov/cases-and-outbreaks-child-care-schools#tools>.

If you have any questions regarding these health guidelines, please feel free to contact me. Just keep in mind that as long as El Paso County is classified as the sustained transmission community, something as simple as a runny nose or small cough without previous notice to the school explaining the cause of the symptom could result in your child being sent home. Therefore, please make sure you contact the school and alert them of any underlying health conditions your child has. If the school is aware of the underlying health conditions, such as seasonal allergies, then the school does not have to send them home when small symptoms like a runny nose occur. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation during this trying time period.

Coming Attractions-

- September 7- Labor Day (No School)
- September 10- Meet the Teacher Night@6:00 P.M.
- September 22- SAAC Committee meeting @ 4:30 P.M.
- September 28- Board of Education meeting @ 6:00 P.M.
- Wednesday is early release at **1:00 P.M.**
- Wednesday is formal dress.



Uniforms-

With Labor Day now over, JMCA teachers now have the option to send home uniform violations. One uniform violation that I noticed on many JMCA students is missing belts. Please remember to send your child to school wearing a dark brown or black belt. Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

If your family is having difficulty affording uniforms or are waiting upon a uniform to arrive, please contact me at morinkyle@wsd3.org, and we can work on a plan to make sure your child/children have all of the key uniform pieces. Please remember to send your child/children with their sweaters on Wednesdays. They don't have to wear the sweaters; they just need it with them.

Children attending JMCA's online school must wear school-appropriate clothes when online, but they are not required to be in uniform.

Water Bottles-

Remember that due to the pandemic, the school drinking fountains are turned off. Please send your child/children with multiple water bottles each day.

SAAC

The Student Accountability Advisory Committee (SAAC) meets every month on the third Tuesday. The committee acts in an advisory capacity to the principal. Parents are welcome to attend. The next meeting is September 15 at 4:30 P.M. If interested in attending, please email me, and I will send you a Zoom link. Thank you!

Inspirational Quote

Every week, I will share two inspirational quotes with families. One quote geared towards middle school families, and one quote geared towards primary families. Pick one quote to discuss as a family. Then send me an email at morinkyle@wsd3.org with your interpretation of the quote. The child/children of the family who discussed the most quotes will earn a special lunch with Mr. Morin.

“The only difference between a hero and a villain is that the villain chooses to use that power in a way that is selfish and hurts other people.”
– Chadwick Boseman

“Promise me you’ll remember, you are braver than you believe, stronger than you seem, smarter than you think!” – Winnie the Pooh

JMCA Mission Statement-

"JMCA inspires children to pursue personal growth and navigate a diverse world."

School Fundraiser

Show your school spirit by purchasing a JMCA mask! These custom-made masks are unique to the JMCA community. Kid masks are available for \$10.00. Adult masks are available for \$12.00. The fundraiser runs from **September 8 to September 18**. Put in your order soon, because masks are limited! Please contact Mr. Morin at morinkyle@wsd3.org if you have any questions.



Check us out online at www.jmccolorado.net
The website is updated weekly!

School Taskforces-

We are looking for parent volunteers to serve on one of three JMCA taskforces. We are looking for support in reviewing K to 3 reading practice, including diverse voices in the school curriculum, and advertising the school. If interested in serving on a taskforce, please contact Mr. Morin at morinkyle@wsd3.org.

Reminders

- You receive 10 volunteer hours for referring a student or family to JMCA.
- 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.

