

James Madison Charter Academy

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The 100% Honest Weekly Bugle

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Dear JMCA Family:

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It is hard to believe that school is almost over. To be 100% honest, this year has been one of the most challenging years of my professional career. As a community, we have encountered and overcome an array of obstacles. However, despite all these challenges, I can still honestly say that being the principal at James Madison Charter School is the most rewarding and fulfilling job that I have ever had. I just wanted to take this time to personally thank each family for the time and effort you have put in to building our JMCA community.

As we transition to finishing off the school year, there are a couple important things that we need to keep in mind. First, a big shout-out goes to 5th through 8th grade for their hard work and effort last week on the CMAS exam. This week, it is 3rd and 4th grades turn to start showing what they know. For both 3rd and 4th grade, this is their first time taking the state tests, which in many ways can be anxiety provoking. If you or your child(ren) have anxiety about the upcoming test, then please feel free to reach out to me. As always, I am here to help you and your family in whatever way I can. Additionally, please remember that if you decided to opt your child out of testing, then they are still required to attend school. Their classroom teacher is providing them with assignments to complete in lieu of taking the state test.

Next, to help students feel more comfortable during state testing, ALL JMCA students are not required to wear their dress uniform on Wednesday April 14 and Wednesday April 21. They may wear their casual green polo and khaki attire instead. Finally, please have your child(ren) bring a water bottle to school. Our drinking fountains are currently shutdown due to the pandemic.

JMCA Challenge

Thus far, we have discussed quotes, answered riddles, and studied geography. For the final quarter, the JMCA challenge is trivia! Like always, there are separate questions for K to 3 students and 4 to 8 students. Email me your answers at morinkyle@wsd3.org, and the student from grades K to 3 and 4 to 8 with the most correct answers will get to eat lunch with me. **You also earn one volunteer hour for submitting an answer.**

K to 3rd Grade: What is the largest animal on earth? Hint: This animal does not live on land.

4th to 8th Grade: What direction does the sun rise in? Hint: Japan is known as the Land of the Rising Sun due to its geographic location.

Coming Attractions-

- April 6 to April 20- CMAS Testing
- April 20- SAAC Meeting
- April 21- Progress reports go home
- April 23- Online packet pickup day
- April 29- Spring family event
- May 24 to 27- Last week of school
- Wednesday is early release at **1:00 P.M.**
- Wednesday is formal dress.

Volunteer Opportunities!

We are still looking for parents to volunteer and help us with the spring family event on April 29. Our theme is Earth Day. Please email Ms. K at thomaskassandra@wsd3.org if you are interested in helping out.

Additionally, our goal is to end the school year with a family 5k run/walk. The event will be held the evening of May 21. We will host a Zoom meeting April 14 at 4:30 P.M. to discuss planning the event. Please look for an email with a Zoom link.

Remember to send your volunteer hours to Ms. K at thomaskassandra@wsd3.org.

