



Johnson Elementary

Husky Times

September 2022

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8:50 a.m.—3:28 p.m.

Principal's Corner

Dear Johnson Families,

Thank you for supporting a smooth start to the 2022 school year! It has been fun to welcome our returning families back and meet our new families.

We have several ways you can get news from our school. You can like our school Facebook page from our website, like our JPTO Johnson Community @JohnsonElementaryCommunityPage, go to our website: <https://joh.pdschools.org/> or visit our new Instagram account which can be found on our main website page.

Back to School Night was a great success. We enjoyed seeing those of you who attended. For those of you who could not make it, all teachers have sent out information, and you can also find information about your child's classroom on our learning pages. Many teachers are reporting contact with all families. We sure do appreciate your involvement in your child's education!

Please watch for a sign-up for parent-teacher conferences. Conference sign-up will go out electronically. We are offering in-person or virtual conferences, so please indicate your preference to your child's teacher. Our goal is always 100% contact with families at conference time.

Another important event this month is the kickoff of our annual fund raiser for our Johnson Parent Teacher Organization. We kick off our RAIZE CRAZE September 19th on Husky TV , so please watch for this information from your child. If you have questions or would like more information, please contact our JPTO. The money raised funds field trips, special speakers, assemblies, capital improvements to our facilities, and much more.

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Finally, I would like to extend an invitation to anyone who is interested in providing leadership through our School Accountability and Advisory Committee (SAAC). We are looking for new membership. Our SAAC advises on school improvement, what direction our school and district takes, how we allocate our funding, and any other needs as they arise. The time commitment is about 2 hours per quarter. Dates can be found on our website at <https://joh.psdschools.org/johnson-school-accountability-advisory-committee-saac>. If you are interested in joining us, please email me directly expressing your interest and why you would like to be a part of our SAAC.

We are also looking for a District Advisory Board representative for Johnson. Ideally, a DAB representative is involved in our SAAC as well. You can find more information about DAB at the following link: District Advisory Board Information

Thank you in advance for your support of Johnson Elementary. You are one of the many reasons Johnson is a great place to be!

All my best,

Georgie Dawson

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AP's Angle



September 2022

Every Day is a Great Day to be a Husky!

Our new mascot is proving to be a big hit with students and staff. One of our new signs displaying our proud Husky states the following:

Welcome and Congratulations! You are now a Husky, with Husky friend, and are part of our Johnson Community. We have Husky rules, and a Husky way of doing things. So, when you make a decision, ask, "What would a Husky do?" You'll make a good choice, get a good result, and enjoy a good time. Every day is a great day to be a Husky!

We recently had our Husky PRIDE Matrix Day, a special program that we do at the beginning of every year, when all students rotate around the building to meet various staff members and to learn about what Husky PRIDE looks like in different settings outside of the classroom. Establishing our behavior expectations helps students and staff understand the Husky way of doing things, and in turn helps us create a positive school culture and climate. Thank you for your support in helping your child show what it means to Participate Positively, Respect Everyone, Insist on Safety, Do Your Best, and Enjoy Learning at Johnson. Go Huskies!

Cheering at our First Assembly

On the last Friday of August, we had a fun and exciting school assembly. The Rocky Mountain High School Cheerleaders came over to present a new cheer for our new mascot, and our students loved it! What a treat to see high school students inspiring our Huskies to show school spirit.

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Fall Assessments and CMAS Reports

We have completed our Fall MAPs assessments for students in grades 2-5, which will help teachers measure and plan for what students know. For more information on MAPs testing, please visit the [Family Toolkit](#) from the national website.

We have also received the hard copy CMAS reports (for students in grades 4-5) and we sent them home in student folders with a letter from Principal Dawson. Please let me know if you have any questions about the CMAS report.

Thank you for all your support over these first few weeks back at school.

Matt Hughes

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New Raptor System

What you need to know when checking in at schools

Poudre School District is using a new visitor and volunteer check-in system called Raptor. We can ensure greater safety and security by limiting access to only those who should be in schools for educational and approved support purposes. It is also critical to know who is in our buildings in real-time, in the event of an emergency.

Here is what we need you to do:

- **You must register** and be approved to [volunteer in PSD](#).
- Always check in at the front desk.
- After verifying your identity (by scanning a government-issued ID or manual verification of other accepted documents), you will be cleared to enter and be given a badge.
- Always check out at the front desk.

Volunteer Opportunities

We are welcoming volunteers to help our teachers with clerical projects, shelving library books, field trips, and other projects. Volunteers must register with PSD at [Poudre School District Volunteer Application](#). Please allow up to five days for processing. COVID protocols for volunteers are self-monitoring for symptoms is required before entering a building. Learn about COVID protocols in PSD on the [Health and Safety web page](#).

Frequently Asked Questions

- **Are volunteers allowed in schools at this time?** It is up to each school's principal and admin team to determine if and how volunteers will be used. Opportunities may be limited.
- **Who can register to volunteer?** Any individual over the age of 18, as well as PSD students and staff.
- **What happens when I register to volunteer?** The account you create with EZ Volunteers is linked with your background check, which initiates at the time of your registration and can take up to a week to complete. If your background check clears, you will receive an automated notification and may proceed to volunteer.
- **Do I have to sign an agreement?** Yes, the [Volunteer Confidentiality Agreement](#) or the [Acuerdo de Confidencialidad del Voluntario](#).

Volunteer Opportunities

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- **Do I need to register if I only volunteer for one day or one event?** Yes. This requirement applies to all volunteer service, whether it is only for a single occasion or will occur on a sporadic or regular basis, and regardless of the program, event or activity involved. [Review the PSD Volunteer Policy KJ here.](#)
- **Am I required to register each new school year?** No. Please keep your volunteer account updated with school preferences and contact information. PSD's policy is to re-run background checks every three years on active volunteers.

Student Absences

When a student is absent from school for illness or other reasons, the parent or guardian must call the **school attendance line at 488-5095**. This voice mail is available 24 hours a day. To ensure the safety of your child's absence be 9:20 a.m. It is a district expectation that parents receive prior approval for extended absences from the building principal. In addition, penalties shall be imposed for excessive tardiness and parents/guardians will have to meet with the building principal to develop a plan of action to reduce tardiness. Please refer to district policy "Student Absences and Excuses" (JH) in the PSD Code of Conduct booklet for detailed information regarding excused absences, un-excused absences, and truancy.

News from Music!

Below are some dates for performances and Husky choir rehearsals. Also, I am looking for adult helpers to assist with organization and inventory with costumes and props this year as well as costumes, props, and other items before performances.

Husky Choir Rehearsals for 4th & 5th grade start on Monday, October 3rd @ 7:45 a.m. in the music room - look out for a packet!

5th Grade *Willy Wonka Kids* - November TBA - waiting for responses from high school venues for show location

3rd & 4th Grade Winter Music Program on December 15th @ 6:30 p.m., Call 6:00 p.m. at Rocky Mountain High School Auditorium

1st & 2nd Grade Spring Music Program on April 27th @ 6:30 p.m., Call 6:00 p.m. at Rocky Mountain High School Auditorium

Regards,

Breanne Mathias

Ongoing Fundraisers for Johnson Elementary School

These fundraisers directly benefit Johnson Elementary discretionary fund/classroom budget:

American Furniture Warehouse Fundraiser

Shop at and AFW location, online or by phone and mention Johnson Elementary at checkout. Our school will receive 2% donation on any purchase, 4% on Beauty Rest mattresses. Invite others to participate. Friends and Family can help too!

Caps4Cash – Morning Fresh Dairy Fundraiser

Caps4Cash is a Morning Fresh Dairy program where schools earn cash by collecting caps from Morning Fresh Dairy glass bottles. Each cap will be redeemed for 5 cents. We use this fundraiser to help support our Student Council Program.

Advertising Fundraiser for Johnson

Organizations can purchase advertising in individual school newsletters through the [School Communications Agency](#). 60% of revenue from advertising goes back to the school to be used at the principal's discretion.

Fundraisers that directly benefit JPTO

King Soopers Community Rewards Fundraiser

Johnson is part of the list of nonprofits eligible for funding through their community rewards program. We encourage our families to register your **King SooperCard** and choose Johnson as the designated nonprofit. Go to <https://www.kingsoopers.com/>

- Scroll all the way down near the bottom of the page where you will see “**Community**” click on it.
- You will then see “KingSoopers Community Rewards” click on it.
- Next you will need to add your **email and password**.

(If you've never logged in before, but still have a card, you can attach an email and password to your existing number by creating an account)

If you don't have a card, choose “create an account”.

- A search box will open to select your charity – type “**Johnson PSD**” on the left of the screen. On the right, you can select “**education**” as type. Click on the magnifying glass for the search to work and select your organization.
- There are two Johnson schools listed. The address is with it, so finding ours is easy and at the top. (4101 Seneca Street) Click “**enroll**”

Adding this card will not affect your gas points or other discount benefits you receive through King Soopers.

Daily Schedule

School hours for students in kindergarten – 5th Grade are 8:50 a.m. to 3:28 p.m. Students should not arrive at school before 8:35 a.m. unless they are attending BASE Camp or a special program. Safety is a priority, and we want to be sure that staff members are present for supervision. Please make sure children are not on campus prior to 8:35 a.m. and leave promptly by 3:45 p.m.

8:35 a.m.	Playground supervision begins/Breakfast is available
8:45 a.m.	Entrance bell rings
8:50 a.m.	Classes Begin
3:28 p.m.	School dismissed
3:45 p.m.	Students should be off campus

Fall 2022 Health/Safety Protocols

Please visit [PSD Student Health](#) for the most up-to-date information regarding health for your student. COVID updates will be updated as soon as more information is available.

Johnson SAAC Committee

Our School Accountability and Advisory Committee meets four times a year. Please see our meeting dates below. Our SAAC is responsible for advising the school in the following areas: resource allocation, our school unified improvement plan, school safety, and school direction. Other topics are discussed as they come up. If you are interested in supporting Johnson Elementary in this work, please contact the school principal to get more information.

We meet at Johnson Elementary in the media center from 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Meeting dates are listed below.

2022-2023 SAAC Meeting Dates:

- September 14th, 2022
- November 9th, 2022
- January 11th, 2023
- March 22nd, 2023

Blooming Girls

Blooming Girls After School Enrichment at Johnson Elementary. Each month will have a different theme covering a variety of topics, focused on life skills, for fun-filled adventure of self-discovery and personal growth. Blooming Girls will be meeting once a month after school at Johnson Elementary from 3:30 – 5:30. www.bloominggirlsco.com. Cost is \$30 and includes craft and snack.

Rocky Mountain High School Fall 2022 Jr. Lobo Cheer and Dance Camp for k-5th Grade

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Camp Info:

RMHS cheer and dance invite girls and boys to learn a half time routine with us. All camp participants will have the opportunity to perform at halftime with the RMHS cheer and dance teams on September 30th at the Varsity Football Game against Poudre High School.

Camp Day takes place in the Small Gym at Rocky
September 27th from 4:15-6:15

Cost:

\$50 per Jr. Lobo.

Cost includes cheer camp clinic day, RMHS t-shirt, and spirit pack.

Game Day Bows are optional and can be purchased for an additional \$5 Registration Fee (cash or check - no credit cards accepted) is due during check-in on September 27th.

Registration closes **September 13th**

Football Game Info:

September 30, 2022 at 4:30pm
Canvas Stadium at CSU

Register Here:

<https://forms.gle/KMGcXZZHZkGBLSsK6>

Questions? Contact Lauren Roth at: laurenr@psdschools.org

Please bring attached waiver to check in on September 27th

**Rocky Mountain High School Fall 2022 Jr. Lobo Cheer and Dance
Camp for k-5th Grade**

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Participant agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Poudre School District R-1 and its board members, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, liabilities and causes of action, including attorney fees and costs, for injury of any person caused by Participant and/or for damages to or destruction of any property caused by Participant, which may arise out of or in connection with participation in _____. Participant further agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Poudre School District R-1 and its board members, employees and agents from and against any and all claims, liabilities and causes of action, including attorney fees and costs, for injury to the Participant and/or for damages to or destruction of property belonging to the Participant, which may arise out of or in connection with participation in _____.

Name of Participant:

Signature of Participant (Parent or Legal Guardian if under 18)

Date

Johnson Calendar of Events

September		
5		NO SCHOOL – Labor Day
12	2:15 pm – 3:15 pm	JPTO Executive Board Meeting, Media
14	6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	SAAC Committee Meeting
16		NO SCHOOL – Building Workday
16	6:00 pm	Rocky Mountain High School Parade
19		JPTO “Raise Craze” Fundraiser Kick-off 5 th Grade Field Trip, Bobcat Ridge
20		5 th Grade Field Trip, Bobcat Ridge
22		5 th grade Field Trip, Lory State Park
23		5 th Grade Field Trip, Colorado Youth Outdoors
26	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	JPTO General Membership Meeting, Media
28		Individual Student Picture Day
30	TBD	Johnson P.R.I.D.E Assembly
October		
6	4:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Parent Teacher Conferences
10	2:15 pm – 3:15 pm 4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	JPTO Executive Board Meeting, Media Parent Teacher Conferences
11	4:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Parent Teacher Conferences
13-14		NO SCHOOL – Elementary Conference Exchange Day
18		Vision & Hearing testing
24	6:30 pm – 7:30 pm	JPTO General Membership Meeting, Media
28	TBD	Johnson P.R.I.D.E Assembly
31	TBD	Class Holiday Parties

- PSD Calendar dates beyond this point - [PSD 2022-23 K-12 Student/Teacher Calendar](#)

* Visit the [Johnson Website](#) for events and activities specific to Johnson.

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