

# Husky Update – November 10, 2022

Dear Johnson Families,  
Reminder that there is no school tomorrow as it is a building workday for teachers. We hope you all have a safe and warm 3-day weekend.



## **Turkey Roundup** **Calling all Huskies!**

The Turkey Roundup is one of our favorite events and needed this year more than ever!

So, grab a FROZEN turkey or two and donate them at the JOHNSON FRONT ENTRANCE on THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17<sup>th</sup>.

The class with the most turkey donations wins a popcorn and movie party! We are also collecting canned and boxed food. Ask your teacher for details.

### **Let's be a GIFT to others this Thanksgiving season!**

If you're able to donate non-perishable items along with, or in lieu of turkey round-up, please check your child's grade level below:

- K- canned corn or boxed mac-n-cheese
- 1<sup>st</sup> – canned green beans or boxed stuffing
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – gravy or mashed potatoes
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – canned cranberries or canned yams
- 4<sup>th</sup> – canned cream of mushroom soup or fried onions
- 5<sup>th</sup> – canned pumpkin or pie crust mix

Thank you all for being a blessing in our Husky community!!

~Mrs. Bartels, 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher

## **Holiday Season Help**

We hope it will be a joyful and healthy holiday season for our families and staff here at Johnson. We know that the holidays can be a stressful time. Providing gifts for your family can create additional financial stress. Johnson and our community partners are offering support for families in need. If you would like to request support, please fill out the form below and email it to the address provided. Written requests will be placed in a lottery, and you will be notified if your name is selected.

There are also several holiday programs and resources available through community agencies. If you need additional information, please contact Wrenn Thornton, Johnson's Secretary, at [wthornto@psdschools.org](mailto:wthornto@psdschools.org) (970-488-5000) or Jason Allen at [jallen@psdschools.org](mailto:jallen@psdschools.org) (970-488-5038).

If you would like to make a request, please email the following information to [jallen@psdschools.org](mailto:jallen@psdschools.org)

**Parent/Guardian name:** \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of family members in home: \_\_\_\_\_

Name	Age	M/F	Need/Wish (Include sizes if requesting clothing)

Submission Deadline: November 18, 2022

### **Art**

#### Artist of the Week



Congratulations Isabella!  
November 7-11

### **Fire Won't Wait Plan Your Escape – Winner**

Stella Hope in Mrs. Clark's class won the Poudre Fire Authority's Fire Prevention Week Poster contest for third grade! Her prize is a ride to school on a fire engine!

### **Music**

**Come join the choir caroling!** The Husky Choir will be caroling on Tuesday, December 20<sup>th</sup> from 6-7 pm at the Old Town Churn. We will be singing winter, Christmas, and Hannukah

songs. Join us in making musical cheer in Old Town! Please email Ms. Mathias at [bmathias@psdschools.org](mailto:bmathias@psdschools.org) with any questions.

## **Homeless Awareness Month**

### **Join PSD's Effort to Support Students Experiencing Homelessness.**

During the 2021-2022 school year, Poudre School District identified **1,212 students** K-12, or over 4% **of our student population**, who experienced some form of homelessness and qualified for McKinney-Vento services.

**McKinney-Vento** is a federal law and PSD program designed to provide students experiencing homelessness and housing insecurity with resources and protections. The focus is to remove the educational barriers that those students face, placing an emphasis on immediate enrollment, attendance, and success. McKinney-Vento services are available to all PSD children and youth, from birth to 21 years of age, who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime residence. Learn more about McKinney Vento on [PSD's McKinney-Vento webpage](#).

### **What Can You Do to Help?**

- **Raise Awareness** – November is National Homeless Youth Awareness Month, and National Hunger and Homelessness Awareness Week is Nov. 13 – 21 (<http://hhweek.org/>). Please share this information with your family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues, and take the initiative to learn more about youth homelessness and its challenges.
- **Wear Green** – Green is the official color of Homeless Youth Awareness Month. Our McKinney-Vento staff and site McKinney-Vento Contacts will be wearing green on Wednesdays throughout the month to help bring attention to issue homeless children, youth, and families in our community. Please feel free to join us in this show of solidarity.
- **Donate** – PSD's McKinney – Vento program accepts monetary donations which are used to purchase things like gas cards, grocery cards, school supplies, undergarments/socks, clothing, coats, hygiene and household supplies, food, concurrent enrollment supplies, and much more, our goal is to provide services that remove barriers and create a welcoming and safe school environment so that students can come to school, engage in learning, and succeed.
  - **To Make a Donation:**
    - Make check out to Poudre School District and write McKinney-Vento in the memo line. OR
    - Use School Pay to donate – *Use Emergency Support* fund in School Pay to donate to students experiencing homelessness.
- **Learn More About McKinney-Vento in PSD:** Contact Whitney Reid, PSD's Homeless Education Program Specialist, at 970-490-3242, or email at [wreid@psdschools.org](mailto:wreid@psdschools.org).

## **Blooming Girls**

Blooming Girls mission is to provide a safe and inspiring environment for girl's ages 5-12 years old, where they can develop the life skills needed to reach their highest potential. Blooming Girls aims to nurture and advance within each girl a sense of confidence, self-esteem, individuality, integrity, creativity, responsibility for self and community and friendship.

Each after school workshop session will be a two-hour class meeting once a month throughout the year. Each class focuses on the following format – opening and closing circle, group

discussion on the topic of the month, playing games, activities and making a creative art project. Ticket cost \$30 includes snack and craft, along with a valuable lesson.

Blooming Girls meet at Johnson once a month. Upcoming Dates: November 17, December 13, and January 19. Try it and see how much fun the girls are having!

[www.bloominggirlsco.com](http://www.bloominggirlsco.com)

**Mark Your Calendar!**

**NO SCHOOL** – November 21 – 25 – Happy

Thanksgiving!



**Johnson Calendar of Events**

November		
11		<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Building Workday
15	630 pm	5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Willy Wonka Musical at Poudre High
18		2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Pioneer Day
21 - 25		<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Thanksgiving Break
28	630 – 730 pm	JPTO General Assembly Meeting
December		
1	530 – 630 pm	23-24 Kindergarten Open House
2	9 – 935 pm	PRIDE Assembly
7		1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Junior Achievement Day 23 -24 Kindergarten Registration Day
12	630 pm	Choir Concert
20	6pm – 7pm	1 <sup>st</sup> Grade Winter Parties Choir to Carol at Old Town Churn
21		Classroom Parties (except 1 <sup>st</sup> ) School of Choice Deadline End of 2 <sup>nd</sup> Quarter
22 – 30		<b>NO SCHOOL</b> – Winter Break

\* 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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