Husky Update – December 15, 2022

Dear Johnson Families,

Can you believe winter break is only a week away? This is the last Husky Update of the 2022 year. We hope everyone has a great and wonderful break, stay safe, and stay warm. Thank you for reading through our weekly updates and alerting the office staff when there are mistakes. We greatly appreciate you!

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Fire Won't Wait, Plan Your Escape – Winner

As stated in the November 10th update, Stella Hope, in third grade, won the Poudre Fire Authority's Fire Prevention Week Poster contest. She arrived at school in a fire truck on Wednesday, December 14th. Below are some pictures we captured of her arrival.





Music

Come carol with the Husky Choir at Old Town Churn Ice Cream on Tuesday, December 20th from 6 to 7 pm. All are welcome to attend and sing out in holiday cheer! The ice cream shop is in the Exchange off College Avenue – 234 N College Ave suite D, Fort Collins, CO 80524.

Winter Break

Reminder that the school will be closed for Winter Break from 12/22/22 to 1/3/23. And a building workday on 1/4/23. Students are expected to return to school on Thursday, January 5th, 2023, at normal time.

Classroom Parties

Your child's teacher should or will be sending out information to you regarding your student's holiday parties. Kindergarten and 1st grade will be having their holiday parties on December 20th, all others will be on December 21st.



Daily Schedule

Students should not arrive at school before 8:35 am unless attending AlphaBEST 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 am and leave promptly by 340 pm.

- 8:35 am Campus supervision begins & breakfast is served
- 8:45 am Entrance bell rings
- 8:50 am Classes begin
- 3:28 pm School dismisses
- 3:40 pm Students should be off campus

School Choice Deadline

Today is the last day to get your School Choice applications in. Just a reminder: first-round school choice applications are not considered on a first come-first-serve basis; they are processed in a lottery to determine order within the application priority ranking. All first-round school choice applications are based on space availability and eligibility requirements.

Second-Round Application Period

The second round will begin on or about two weeks after the first-round lottery occurs and closes on or around the day prior to the first day of school in August of the school year of requested enrollment and is for families who missed applying during the firstround application period. Specific second-round dates will be posted to the PSD website when determined.

- Second-round applications are based on priority ranking and the date and time of when the application was submitted. They are placed on a waitlist after any first-round applicants within the applicable priority ranking.
 - If the maximum number of five schools were selected for a student in the first-round application period, parents/legal guardians can't submit additional applications for the same student during the second-round application period.
 - If the maximum number of five schools were not selected for a student in the first-round application period, parents/legal guardians may submit additional applications for the same student to meet five maximum total and those applications will be considered as second-round.

Husky Gear Update

If you placed an order for husky gear, your order will be delivered to the school on December 19th. We will deliver your order to your student to take home. If you would rather pick up the items, please contact the office manager, Raquel Tovar, at 970-488-5001, and let her know you don't want the children to get the gear.

Giving Tree

Over the years, it has been an honor to serve many Johnson families through the "**Giving Tree**" fund. We have been able to purchase much needed items to help get families through some difficult times. The school staff and so many of our Johnson families appreciate so very much all of you who have contributed to the Giving Tree. We have 2 ways you can contribute; The Giving Tree Change jar is set up right inside the front doors, by the stairs that lead to our Media Center. You may also donate through <u>SchoolPay</u> all year round. Just simply select Johnson Giving Tree Donation after logging in. Any amount you feel comfortable with goes directly to providing resources for families at our school (utilities, clothes, winter gear, etc.)

December		
20		1 st Grade Winter Parties
	6pm – 7pm	Choir to Carol at Old Town Churn
21		Classroom Parties (except 1 st)
		School of Choice Deadline
		End of 2 nd Quarter
22 – 30		NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
January		
2-3		NO SCHOOL – Winter Break
4		NO SCHOOL – K – 12 Workday
5		Students Return
11	6 – 8	SAAC Meeting
16		NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
19	1225 - 110	YES! Concert for 4 th and 5 th graders
20	10 – 12	Student Biometric Screening
23	630 – 730	JPTO General Assembly Meeting
27	255 – 325	PRIDE Assembly

Johnson Calendar of Events

* PSD Calendar dates beyond this point - PSD 2022-23 K-12 Student/Teacher Calendar

* Visit the <u>Johnson Website</u> for events and activities specific to Johnson.

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Missed from last week

Artist of the Week



Congratulations Leon! November 28 - December 2



Congratulations Brynn! December 5-9

<u>Music</u>

3rd and 4th grade Winter Performance

Thursday, December 15th at Rocky Mountain High School Auditorium at 6:30 pm, call 6:00 pm. Concert attire below:

- White t-shirt or blouse
- Black Dress pants or knee-length or longer skirt
- Dark dress shoes or best tennis shoes

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• Optional: winter or holiday tie, bowtie, and/or jewelry – please no lights or large head accessories (i.e. Santa hats, large headbands, elf hats, etc.)

Winter Caroling

Join the Huskey Choir at Ice Cream Churn in Old Town Fort Collins on Tuesday, December 20th from 6-7 pm. Help us bring joyous music and holiday cheer to Old Town!

December Class Parties

Classrooms are planning for parties either on <u>Tuesday</u>, <u>December 20th or</u> <u>Wednesday</u>, <u>December 21st</u>. Class parties are activity based rather than food based. Please refrain from sending any food items in unless requested by the teacher specifically. Most classrooms have or will communicate the class party plan, so please pay close attention to this communication.

Kinder registration

Although the end of the school year is months away, it's never too early to plan for your child's next steps. Kindergarten helps young children establish a love of learning, giving them a foundation to build on to become successful students and lifelong learners. Learn more >>>

- You can now register online for kindergarten for the 2023-24 school year.
 - Children must be 5 years old on or before October 1st of the respective school year to register for kindergarten
- Parents/legal guardians of incoming kindergarteners should **complete online or in-person registration by December 7** to allow schools to determine their classroom sizes, staffing needs and the number of school choice seats they can offer. If you are unable to register on or before December 7, online registration will continue this winter.
- If you are interested in your child attending a PSD school that is outside your neighborhood attendance boundary, the first-round school choice window is open until 11:59 p.m. Dec 15, <u>More info >></u>

We hope you consider PSD when charting your little learner's educational course. It would be our privilege to support them along their journey.

Donations

If you can donate items to Johnson, we would greatly appreciate that. Please see below for items we need help with.

Office

- plain 8.5x11 copy paper
- Sanitizer wipes
- Snacks for students (goldfish, cheese sticks, apples)

Health Office

- Water bottles
- Kinder 2nd grade clothes (pants, shirts, under garments)
- Ziplock bags

Habitat for Humanity

Habitat for Humanity helps individuals and families achieve strength, stability, and self-reliance through shelter. As active participants in building a better future for themselves and their families, qualified Habitat homebuyers are in need of better housing, willing to partner with Habitat, and able to pay an affordable mortgage. Applications available December 1, 2022, thru January 4, 2023 at the following locations:

Habitat Administrative Offices – 1600 Palm Dr Fort Collins Habitat ReStore – 4001 S. Taft Hill Rd Project Self-Sufficiency – 2001 S. Shields St, Suite D-203 Housing Catalyst – 1715 W. Mountain Ave The Group, Inc. – 401 W Mulberry For more information, call 970-488-2605.