Husky Update – March 23rd, 2023

Dear Johnson Families,

We hope that you all had a great spring break, and got plenty of rest, and family time that we all needed. Please review this week's newsletter as it has old and new information on it.



CMAS Schedule for grades 3-5, 2023

MON March 27	TUE March 28	WED March 29	THUR March 30	FRI March 31
	Grades 3-5 ELA Unit 1 9:00AM – 11:00AM • IT Support Requested	Grades 3-5 ELA Unit 2 9:00AM – 11:00AM • IT Support Requested	Grades 3-5 ELA Unit 3 9:00AM – 11:00AM	(Make-Ups)
MON April 3	TUE April 4	WED April 5	THUR April 6	FRI April 7
(Make-Ups)	Grades 3-5 Math Unit 1 9:00AM – 10:30AM	Grades 3-5 Math Unit 2 9:00AM – 10:30AM	Grades 3-5 Math Unit 3 9:00AM – 10:30AM	(Make-Ups)
MON April 10	TUE April 11	WED April 12	THUR April 13	FRI April 14
(Make-Ups)	Only Grade 5 Science Unit 1 Time: 10:15AM – 11:45AM	Only Grade 5 Science Unit 2 Time: 10:15AM – 11:45AM	Only Grade 5 Science Unit 3 Time: 10:15AM – 11:45AM	(make-Ups)
MON April 17	TUE April 18	WED April 19	THUR April 20	FRI April 21
(Make-Ups)	(Make-Ups)	(Make-Ups)	(Make-Ups)	(No Students)
April 24	April 25	April 26	April 27	April 28

Office News

We have been having students show up too early at the start of the day. Please remember that there will be no supervision before 8:35, unless attending AlphaBEST or a special program. 8:35 is when students are allowed to come into the building for breakfast. Thank you for your cooperation!

Copy Paper Donations

The whole school is in dire need of copy paper donations. This includes all colors. We know we have only a few months left of school, so whatever you can donate would be greatly appreciated!

Art NEWS:



Artist of the Week

Congratulations Connor! March 20-24

Youth Art Month

March is Youth Art Month! To celebrate, Johnson is having our annual art show the entire month of March. Every student has at least one work of art on display. Be sure to view your child's art when you come for a visit.

Closing night is from 4:00 PM to 5:00 PM on Friday, March 31st. Please plan to come see your child's art, take it down, and take it home with you on closing night. If you are unable to attend closing night, your child will receive their artwork during art class on a later date.

PE NEWS:

Running Club is BACK!

All Johnson students, Pre-K – 5, are invited to participate. The goal of Johnson Running Club is to promote healthy lifestyles and physical activity. We want to encourage children to have fun while running. Maybe your child is an avid runner or maybe he/she would just like a fun thing to do after school. We encourage all children to come enjoy

Running Club. The Club also serves as an after-school enrichment when they finish a run and challenging them to improve with each run.

We will meet on Mondays after school from 3:35 – 4:35 PM, starting March 20th and ending Monday, May 8th. All students will need a new permission slip for this year. Go to the Johnson website or the front entryway and turn it in to Ms. Kaiser, the PE teacher. Please do not fill out both permission forms. The Online form will go directly to Ms. Kaiser.

***Running Club will be canceled for rain/lightning – you will be notified by 1 pm

***Pre-K, K, 1st, and 2nd must have a parent or guardian present. No older siblings.

Students need PE shoes, comfortable clothes, and a water bottle.

Online permission slip <u>here</u>.

For questions about Running Club contact: Alyssa Kaiser, PE Teacher, <u>akaiser@psdschools.org</u>

Johnson Track Meet

Just a heads up the Johnson Track Meet is coming up! A sign-up genius for 4th and 5th grade **ONLY** will be sent out soon asking for volunteers to help run stations and take part in this fun day! It will be Friday, April 7th from 9:00 – 11:30 AM, approximately with a rain date of Monday, April 10th.

Student Council

Student Council would like to announce that March 31st is backwards, fancy, creative hair day and crazy sock day.

April Animals

This is a special announcement from the Husky Student Council. April 7-28 Student Council is sponsoring a drive to help the Animal Friends Alliance! Please bring in a donation of toys, blankets, treats and anything else you can think of! There will also be a jar in front of the library for any money donations. Let's be a blessing to animals in need in Fort Collins!

Thank You!

-Husky Student Council

Safe2Tell

We will be sending home Safe2Tell stickers with students tomorrow to raise awareness of the safe2tell.org website.

988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline: If you or someone you know is struggling or in crisis, help is available – **call or text 988** or **chat 988lifeline.org.**

What it is:

Safe2Tell Colorado provides an anonymous way for students, parents, school staff and community members to report concerns regarding their safety.

Examples:

- Threat of harm to others
- Threat of harm to self
- Illegal activity

How it works:

- Monitored 24/7 by trained Safe2Tell staff.
- Depending on the type of report, the messages are routed to appropriate schoolbased and law enforcement agencies.
- Tips accepted over the phone, Safe2Tell web page, or use of mobile app. Repots are anonymous.

Process after a report is made:

- A trained analyst collects information for the report and assigns a tip number to the reporting party.
- Every tip submitted to Safe2Tell Colorado is thoroughly investigated once given to the appropriate school and/or law enforcement for local investigation and/or intervention.
- Safe2Tell Colorado uses a unique and highly sophisticated database program that allows for two-way dialogue between the reporting party and the answering point.
- All information is encrypted, allowing for complete anonymity.
- Web reporting and mobile app options allow reporting parties to upload photos and social media posts, which aid law enforcement in conducting thorough investigations.

Safe2Tell contact and more information:

Contact: Shawn Streeter, PSD Safe Environment Specialist, sstreete@psdschools.org

Colorado Rockies School Fundraiser

We will be holding a fundraiser with the Colorado Rockies on April 30th. The game will be against the Arizona Diamond Backs, starting at 1:10 PM. Seats will be Outfield/Corner Outfield box next to 1st base. We are selling tickets for \$30. Please look for order forms that will be sent home with your child tomorrow. You may pay cash, card

(in person or on school pay) or checks (payable to Johnson Elementary). Please remember to bring hats and sunscreen due to this being a day game. As of right now, we only have 75 tickets on hold for the entire school, so please get your orders in as soon as possible, no later than April 7th.

Volunteers Needed!

Friends of the library,

Our library needs a little help. We circulate about 600 books per week. All those books need to go back on the shelves, so the next student has great books to read. If you could come in for 30 minutes or more, any day or every week, we sure could use the help.

At this point of the year, books have wandered from their homes and become a bit disheveled. I am beginning the process of "reading the shelves". We use the call numbers and put them in the correct order. If alphabetizing is your thing, we could use you. If you prefer to organize numbers, we could really use you. I can give you a quick tutorial and turn you loose. A few minutes, or a few hours, or a few days, we will welcome the help.

Come be a library Rock Star!

Happy reading, Mrs. Slocomb

News from JPTO

Spirit Nights

Grab a bite and support our school! Flyers with specific event details are sent home with students before each Spirit Night. Mark your calendars and bring your neighbors!

April 10th, 5pm – 8pm: D.C. Oakes

Husky Pride Store



and positive behaviors by purchasing items for the Husky PRIDE Store on our Amazon Wishlist.

Scan & click here to visit the wishlist and order!



The store opens in April and PRIDE tickets will be used to purchase the items.

Thank you for supporting Johnson PRIDE!



March				
27	630 – 730	JPTO General Meeting		
29	600 - 800	SAAC Meeting		
31	255 – 325	PRIDE Assembly		
	4 – 5	Art Show Closes/Open House		
27 – 4/21		CMAS Testing		
April				
3/37 – 21		CMAS Testing		
10	5pm – 8pm	Spirit Night: D.C. Oakes		
21		NO SCHOOL – Teacher Workday		
24 – 28		Bookfair		
27	1100 – 200	4 th Grade Field Trip to The Ranch Event Center		
Мау				
1-5		Teacher Appreciation Week		
1	9 – 130	4 th Grade to Spring High Plains History		
		Festival		
12	9 – 935	PRIDE Assembly		
15		NO SCHOOL – K-12 Workday		
18		Last Day for Preschool		
19	9 – 1115	Kinder Walking Field Trip to Harmony Library		
22	630 – 730	JPTO General Meeting		
23	9 – 1	1 st Grade Field Trip to Discovery Science		
		Center		
24	TBD	Talent Show		
25	TBD	Field Day		
26		Last Day of School		
	915 am	5 th Grade Promotion		

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.

"The Poudre School District is committed to the policy that no otherwise qualified person shall be denied access to, be excluded from participation in, be denied the benefits of, or be subjected to unlawful discrimination under, any District program or activity on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, ancestry, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, veteran status, age or disability. District compliance with this policy shall be the responsibility of, and reports and complaints of discrimination based on these protected classifications should be directed to: For District students and community members: Director of Student Services, 1630 South Stover Street, Fort Collins, Colorado 80525, phone: 970-490-3033; For District employees: Executive Director of Human Resources, 2407 La Porte Avenue, Fort Collins, Colorado 80521, phone: 970-490-3620.

Message from PSD following Denver school shooting.

March 22, 2023

Dear PSD Families:

I'm sure many of you have heard by now about Wednesday morning's shooting of two administrators at East High School in Denver. We wish both staff members a full recovery from their injuries, both mental and physical, and stand in solidarity with East and the Denver Public Schools community as they process this tragedy.

This incident hits home – not only because it happened in a nearby school district but because our Fossil Ridge High School boys' basketball team played East High in the state championships earlier this month. Our communities were connected in celebration of our student-athletes, as much as we are connected today.

As details continue to unfold on the news, online, and in conversations, children and young adults will be listening and experiencing a variety of emotions. These feelings may include fear, sadness, anxiety, anger, doubt, or numbness.

Our mental health team members would like to encourage you to listen to your child's thoughts on this incident and others like it, to validate their feelings and assure them that they are safe right now. National Child Traumatic Stress Network guidelines for helping parents and guardians talk to young people after a shooting incident are available by following this link to the Crisis Response Recovery web page on the PSD website. Mental health professionals, including counselors, are available to support students; parents/guardians may call their child's school to be connected.

Other community resources include:

- SummitStone's Community Crisis Center, 1217 Riverside Ave. in Fort Collins: 970-494-4200
- I Matter Colorado (up to six free, virtual counseling sessions): <u>imattercolorado.org</u> or <u>yoimportocolorado.org/</u> (la versión en Español)
- Child, Adolescent and Young Adult Connections (CAYAC): 970-221-5551
- 988 Suicide and Crisis Lifeline: 24/7, free and confidential support for people in distress and crisis resources for your loved ones
 - Text or call 988 to talk with a trained counselor
 - Help in Spanish: <u>988lifeline.org/help-yourself/en-espanol</u>
- Unfortunately, Larimer County is not immune to gun violence or its permanent impact on our youth. We have lost too many young people in our community. In 2019, a county coalition came together with the intention of reducing risk and enhancing our community's safety.
 - Get free gun locks and access resources on the <u>Larimer County Juvenile</u> <u>Gun Safety web page.</u>

 Video - <u>It Only Takes a Moment video on YouTube</u> (Juvenile Gun Safety Coalition, 2021)

It's important for both students and their parents to know that there are many people in PSD helping to keep students, staff and visitors safe. These people include PSD Campus Security Officers, School Resource Officers and other law enforcement officials from Fort Collins Police Services, the Larimer County Sheriff's Office, and the Timnath Police Department. It also includes our mental health and counseling professionals; safety and crisis teams; and the teachers, administrators and support staff who love and care about the children of PSD. Our families and other community partners play a critical role, as well.

PSD follows the nationally recognized <u>Standard Response Protocols</u> (hold, secure status, lockdown, hold status, evacuation, shelter in place). <u>Follow this link to the Safety</u> and <u>Security web page</u> on the PSD website to learn more.

Your partnership to keep our children safe is greatly appreciated. It takes all of us to do this important work.

With appreciation,

Brian Kingsley

Superintendent