

The DLJ Parent Guide



Welcome to Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary School (otherwise known as “Jamerson” or “DLJ”)! While there is a lot for your child to learn, there is also a lot for parents. It is our hope that this guide will answer most of those questions for you. If you would like more information, feel free to contact the school or check out the links below.

School Information

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<http://pcsb.org/jamerson-es>

<http://www.facebook.com/JamersonElementary>

<http://www.facebook.com/JamersonPTA>

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COMMUNICATION

How will I know what is happening at the school?

A weekly text message and/or phone call will come from the principal. If you are not receiving the messages or calls, please contact the school so we can get this updated in the Focus system. In addition to the weekly calls, the school sends home a monthly newsletter beginning in September. This newsletter includes a detailed calendar, helpful hints, and much more. The PTA also sends out several newsletters throughout the year. For classroom communication, check and sign your child's agenda daily for information from the classroom teacher. Finally, check out all the online resources listed on the front page of this handbook.

How can I learn more about what my child is doing in class?

Check your child's binder for information from the classroom teacher. Check the school calendar for events and opportunities to learn more, including our curriculum-based events and the Engineering Expos in December and April. You can always ask your child's teacher for a conference if you would like more information.

Are cell phones allowed at school?

We follow the Pinellas County Schools' cell phone policy as set forth in the Student Code of Conduct, which can be accessed at <https://www.pcsb.org/cms/lib/FL01903687/Centricity/Domain/6122/Student-Code-2024-25.pdf>.

Authorized Possession and Use of Cell Phones and Other Wireless Communication Devices:

All students may possess a wireless communication device at school, during a school-sponsored activity, and during school-sponsored transportation. **However, students may not use a wireless communications device during instructional time, except when expressly directed by a teacher solely for educational purposes.** A teacher shall designate an area for wireless communications devices during instructional time, in accordance with s. 1006.07, F.S.

All students must store wireless communication devices, headphones, and earbuds in a designated area, except when otherwise directed by a teacher. For this policy's purposes, the designated area is a non-visible secure location, such as the student's locker, backpack, purse, or pocket.

Parents are advised that the best way to contact their child during the school day is by calling the child's school office.

Further, use of wireless communication devices, headphones and earbuds must be stored in accordance with the following rules by grade level.

1. Elementary school students must keep wireless communication devices in the off position throughout the instructional school day, and while participating in a school-sponsored activity on or off campus. Students can use their wireless communication devices after the end of the instructional school day, if needed to communicate with parents about the coordination of transportation.

Headphones and earbuds are not allowed during the instructional school day or while participating in a school-sponsored activity on or off campus, unless otherwise directed by a teacher. When allowed, headphones and earbuds are restricted to minimal volume, only to be heard by its user. Due to school safety concerns, one ear must remain free of the accessory during authorized use.

Unauthorized Use of Cell Phones and Other Wireless Communication Devices

A student's possession, display, or use of wireless communication devices on school property contrary to the provisions of this policy shall be viewed as the unauthorized use of wireless communication devices when such possession, display or use of such devices results in conduct that includes, but is not limited to:

1. Interference with or disruption of the instructional or educational environment within the classrooms or the school.
2. Use which violates academic integrity, as the reproduction of images of tests, communication of test or examination contents or answers, to provide access to unauthorized school information, or assistance to students in any aspect of their instructional program in a manner that violates school board policy or the Student Code of Conduct.
3. Use during district and state assessments, students may not have any electronic or recording devices, including but not limited to, smartphones, tablets, personal computers, tablets, cell phones, or electronic games, in their pockets, at their desk or anywhere they can reach them, before, during, or after the testing session. Possession of any electronic device that reproduces, transmits, records, or calculates (except for the State approved calculator), will result in the student's test being invalidated.
4. Use in locker rooms, restrooms, swimming areas, and any other location where privacy is reasonable.
5. Wireless communication devices may not be utilized to take photographs, videos, or audio recordings while at school, during a school-sponsored activity, or during school-sponsored transportation without prior consent.
6. Use to commit a crime, under federal or state law including but not limited to cyberbullying, sexual harassment, or threats.
7. Use profane, indecent, obscene, threatening, discriminatory, bullying, or harassing language, pictures, or gestures.

Disciplinary Action:

Violations of this policy may result in progressive disciplinary action and/or confiscation of the cell phone or electronic device. If the cell phone or electronic device is confiscated, it will be released/returned to a parent unless an alternative arrangement is agreed to by the principal (or designee).

Responsibility/Liability for Cell Phones and Other Wireless Communications Devices:

Any student who chooses to bring a wireless communication device to school shall do so at their own risk and shall be personally responsible for the security of their wireless communication device(s). School Board staff are not responsible for preventing theft, loss, damage, or vandalism to wireless devices brought onto school property, or left on school-sponsored transportation, including any wireless communication device(s) confiscated due to inappropriate use.

ATTENDANCE/DROP OFF/DISMISSAL

School Hours/Early Check Out/Late Arrival

At Douglas Jamerson, we believe every instructional minute counts. Therefore, we ask that all students are in their seats and ready to learn at 8:45 AM and remain until the school day ends at 2:55 PM. The gate opens at 8:15 AM, and students are expected to be in their classrooms ready to learn when the final bell rings at 8:45 AM. Students should **not** be dropped off before 8:15 AM as there is not supervision provided, and students should be picked up no later than 3:15 PM daily.

If a student arrives after 8:45 AM, they must enter through the front office, **be accompanied by an adult**, and obtain a tardy slip. Any student not *in class* by 8:45 AM will be marked tardy. If your child is tardy because of a doctor's appointment, please bring a note in.

If you need to check your student out of school early, you will need to come to the front office to sign them out. We will not allow students to be checked out of class between 2:25 PM and 2:55 PM without a doctor's note *and* prior approval from an administrator. Only people listed on the student information card can pick up a student. You must present a photo identification each time you pick up your child.

As per the magnet agreement signed by every family, an excessive amount of tardies or early releases could result in a Truancy Intervention referral and/or dismissal from the magnet program.

Changes in Dismissal

If you need to change your child's normal way of getting home, then contact the main office immediately **no later 2:15**. For 5th grade students please call by 1:30 p.m. as their end their day is at specials, and it is difficult to get messages to them before the end of the school day. We begin getting ready for dismissal and creating lists of all transportation changes by 2:15. Any calls that come in after 2:15 cannot be relayed adequately to everyone who needs to know in a timely manner.

Dismissal

Dismissal begins at 2:55 PM. We will be using **Schoolhouse Driveline** to manage our student dismissal process. Douglas Jamerson staff uses the application by entering the placard number assigned to your family into a device as you enter the car circle, report to the walk-up parent pick up area, or park in the parent pick up area along the fence on 13th Avenue S. Once your number is entered, the information is displayed in the classrooms and children know where to meet you.

WE WILL NO LONGER HAVE STUDENTS WAITING ACROSS THE STREET ON THE CORNER OF 37TH STREET S AND 12TH AVE S AT THE CHURCH FOR PICKUP. THIS IS AN UNSAFE LOCATION ON PRIVATE PROPERTY THAT WE CAN NO LONGER UTILIZE.

To provide the safest and most efficient release of students from our school, please be advised of the following rules and procedures:

- Each family will be issued a placard with a number. You will receive four copies of the placard. The number will work for all the children in your family. Please assist us by cutting the placards out and distributing them to those who might pick up your child.

- We will only honor the official placards we are providing you with. If someone without a placard tries to pick up your child, they will be told to park and go to the office with a picture ID.
- Please display this placard in your vehicle's dashboard or from the rear-view mirror so it is clearly visible for entry by the Jamerson staff at car circle.
- We ask that parents no longer park and walk up to the school to pick up children - except for kindergarten students who may need help buckling in. If you follow the process, this system will work quickly and efficiently and eliminate backed up traffic as people try to exit the car circle from two directions. For those who will be walking up to pick up your child, there will be a designated walk-up area. The designated walk-up area is on the sidewalk right by the solar panels/and car circle cross walk. You will still need to show the placard to a Jamerson staff member at that location so they can enter the number into the Driveline system and safely release your child.
- When you leave the parking lot there are signs that only a right-hand turn is allowed during school drop-off and pick-up times. This signage is placed by the St. Pete PD and is enforceable by an officer of the law. When drivers do not obey these signs, it causes a backup in our pickup line resulting in a longer wait for all. Obey the sign so we do not need to contact the PD for enforcement.

Buses

The county provides busing for all students who live more than two miles from the school. To arrange for a bus, please inquire at the front office.

Absences

We realize that sometimes absences are unavoidable. There is a link on our website to report absences which is the preferred method of notification. You may also call the front office. You will always receive an automatic phone call around 11:00 a.m. if your child is marked absent. As per the magnet agreement signed by every family, an excessive number of absences could result in a Truancy Intervention referral and/or dismissal from the magnet program.

Before and After Care

Before and after care is on campus and provided by the YMCA. The YMCA meets at Jamerson in the Multipurpose Room in the back of the cafeteria, opening at 6:30 AM and closing at 6:00 PM. To learn more, please request an information packet in the front office.

IN THE CLASSROOM

Conscious Discipline

We implement Conscious Discipline at Douglas Jamerson. Conscious Discipline is an evidence-based, trauma-informed approach to understanding and then teaching self-regulation strategies. The program can help us to be conscious of our emotions and our reactions so we can help children better manage their own.

Conferences/Meetings with the Teacher

Throughout the year, a teacher will contact you to arrange a conference. You can also request a conference with the teacher. Contact the teacher by email, phone or write a note in your child's agenda. Teacher email addresses can be found on the DLJ website.

Visiting or Observing in the Classroom

Once you are a *registered approved volunteer*, some teachers welcome parent volunteers into the classroom during the school day. This is at the teacher's discretion and requires prior approval. There are often celebrations throughout the year (holiday parties, author celebrations, etc.) where parents are invited to attend.

Having a parent observe in the classroom could potentially be disruptive to the students. All observe requests must be put in writing at least 24 hours in advance and approved by the principal and teacher.

School Supplies

We do not require students to bring in school supplies, but all teachers have a recommended supply list on the Jamerson website. Many supplies are given to the teacher (pencils, paper, etc.) who shares them with the entire class. Ask your teacher if they need anything specific.

Homework

Homework is usually given weekly, but the amount and frequency of the homework is at the teacher's discretion. Please check your child's agenda or ask your classroom teacher for more details.

Media Center/Library

Douglas Jamerson has a wonderful Media Center with over 10,000 titles. Teachers can choose to bring their entire class or send small groups of students to choose their own books. Students can check out up to two books at a time, and they are asked to return them in two weeks. There are no overdue fines for books returned late, however students do need to pay for any books that they lose or damage. The Media Center is open throughout the week during the school day. This year there is a form in the electronic packet regarding the checking out of library materials. Please complete your online forms by logging into your parent Focus account.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOR & INTERVENTION SUPPORTS (PBIS)

What is PBIS? What are Sprockets?

PBIS is our Positive Behavior & Intervention Supports System. At Douglas Jamerson, we recognize and reinforce the many positive things our students do each day. Students know and practice the five common expectations: **Be Respectful, Be Kind, Be Responsible, Be Your Best and Be Safe**. Students following the expectations earn positive praise and sometimes SPROCKETS, which can be redeemed at several school stores for prizes, popcorn, and books, as well as other things. Students can also receive Trailblazer recognition and "Get in Gear" Awards for positive behavior. There are several big schoolwide events that occur throughout the year as incentives for the students.

What is a Trailblazer Assembly?

We hold 3 Trailblazer Assemblies throughout the school year. Teachers recognize two students at each assembly for outstanding effort: Trailblazer of the Month and Engineer of the Month. These students receive a certificate recognizing their accomplishment. The teacher will notify you if your child is receiving a recognition, and you are welcome to attend the assembly.

What is a Get in Gear Award?

Each teacher selects two students per week to receive a Get in Gear Award. This certificate recognizes outstanding behavior, excellence in academics, etc. The students receive their award through an announcement on the morning news show.

Minor Infractions/Referrals/Intervention Committee

Reinforcing positive behaviors eliminates many negative behaviors. In the case of a minor incident, the teacher can write a Minor Infraction, a formal note to the parent detailing the incident. If the behavior is more significant, or a child earns four minors for similar incidents, an office referral is issued. In the rare case of continued behavior problems, students are referred to the Magnet Intervention Committee (MIC), usually five major office referrals. This is a group of staff and parents who meet with the student and parent to discuss the issue(s) and brainstorm ways to resolve the problem. In extreme cases, the Magnet Intervention Committee can vote to dismiss a student from the school.

Please Note: Excessive absences, tardies, or early check-outs can also result in a referral to the MIC.

FOOD ON CAMPUS

Douglas Jamerson is **not** a nut free school. To ensure the safety of children with peanut allergies, safety care plans are developed individually with our school health department. Be assured we make every accommodation possible for all students with allergies.

Snacks

Some teachers have a daily snack time, and they often ask for donations. All snacks are shared by the entire class and must be healthy. If you would like to provide a birthday snack for your child's birthday, **you must first arrange it with and get the approval of the teacher**, and it may not be distributed during instructional time. **Food brought in without the teacher's permission will be sent home or not accepted by the front office.** Foods for birthday celebrations must be healthy choices. Some suggestions include ice pops (100% fruit juice), goldfish crackers, mini-muffins, or graham crackers. See below for a more extensive list of options. **Food prepared in a private home will not be permitted.**

HEALTHY SNACK & BEVERAGES IDEAS*



BEVERAGES

Water
100% fruit juice with no added sugar
Fat-free or low-fat milk
Fruit smoothies made with frozen fruit with no added sugar and fat-free or low fat yogurt
100% fruit juice slushes with no added sugar
Fruit-infused water



FRUITS & VEGGIES

Fruit trays, salads or kabobs
Vegetable trays, salads or kabobs
Canned fruit or fruit cups in water or 100% fruit juice
Frozen fruit or fruit cups in water or 100% fruit juice
Dried fruit with no added sugar



WHOLE GRAINS

Whole grain crackers, pretzels or cereal bars
Small whole grain bagels, waffles or pancakes topped with fruit or seed butter
Low-fat or air-popped popcorn with no added butter or salt
Graham crackers
Baked whole grain tortilla chips with salsa or bean dip



PROTEINS

Fat-free or low-fat yogurt served alone or as a fruit or vegetable dip
Seed butter served with fruit or whole grain crackers
Trail mix made with dried fruit and whole grain cereal
Low-fat cheese served with fruit or whole grain crackers
Hummus served with vegetables or whole grain crackers

FAMILY INVOLVEMENT

Family involvement/volunteering is not required at Jamerson. However, we love it when our families are involved! We welcome you to attend our many unique events throughout the year, volunteer at various places around the school, do things for the teachers at home, be an active part of our PTA and SAC Boards, and much more. We are proud of the fact that we have over 250 active volunteers who give over 10,000 hours of their time every school year.

Volunteering/Chaperones

Volunteers are needed for many things at Jamerson, including, but not limited to:

- Field trip chaperones
- Morning, evening, during the school day, and even weekend unique events
- Classroom helpers
- SAC Boards
- PTA events including the St. Pete Grand Prix
- Media Center volunteers
- PBIS Store, PTA Books 4 Kids, Popcorn
- Guest speakers
- At-home helpers
- and more!

All volunteers and chaperones need to be *registered* and *approved* by the county. For level 1 volunteer status, there is no fee. You will need to go to www.pcsb.org/volunteer and complete the application. It can take between 2-4 weeks for a background check to be processed. Once you are an approved volunteer you will be contacted by the school's Family & Community Liaison and given your volunteer username and password. Once approved, you will not need to fill out a new form every year. You will, however, must log on to the volunteer system using your v. username and password and update your status each school year.

All volunteers should be using this volunteer username and password to log their hours in the volunteer system. The Family & Community Liaison can help you do this. Keeping track of volunteer hours is *extremely* important, both for Jamerson and Pinellas County Schools.

Any field trip or volunteer opportunity where the volunteer will be unsupervised with students requires a Level 2 volunteer status. This includes getting fingerprinted and having a background check run through the FBI database, and there is a fee associated with this. Please contact the Family & Community Liaison at the school for more details on where this can be done.

Volunteers coming in to work in the classroom or on campus must schedule that with the classroom teacher or a staff member who will notify the office. **You will not be permitted on campus unless a teacher/staff member confirms that you were scheduled to help.**

As a volunteer, Jamerson expects that you will maintain the same level of confidentiality and objectivity toward other children with which you would expect your own child to be treated. This includes not sharing information about homework scores, another student's behavior, or family situations of students at school.

Field Trips

Each grade level has one or more field trips throughout the year, and chaperones are needed. Chaperones must be registered as approved volunteers and need to let the teacher know at least two weeks before the trip that they are interested in chaperoning. Some field trips require Level 2 clearance. More information on this can be found in the section on Volunteering/Chaperones.

Breakfast

Breakfast is provided free of charge to all students between 8:15 AM and 8:40 AM daily.

Lunch/Recess Time

Lunch continues to be free this year. However, we still encourage families to complete the forms located at <https://www.myschoolapps.com/>. This helps provide us with accurate information about the demographics of our school and can make us eligible for other programs, such as our Title I program status this year.

You can add money on your child's account for snacks throughout the week or ice cream that will be available on Fridays. To put funds into your child's lunch account, you can go to www.myschoolbucks.com. Of course, your students can bring lunch from home if they prefer. When sending a packed lunch, please send only snack size bags of chips. Students do not need and cannot eat big bags of chips in the café. They end up trying to share with friends around them, which is against our lunchroom policy.

All students eat lunch in the cafeteria each day and each class have an assigned table. We use the Positive Behavior and Intervention Supports System (PBIS) in the cafeteria, and students receive awards for positive behavior when they demonstrate our Jamerson Expectations.

Parent Lunch

You will be able to come join your child for lunch any day of the week. You can come any day that works for you to sign your child out and eat lunch with them at the picnic tables in the front of the main office. Once you have finished eating, you will sign your child back in at the office. **You can only sign your own child out for lunch or a child that you are listed as a pickup person for on the student information card.** Only individuals listed on the student information card can visit a student at lunchtime, unless accompanied by a parent. We will announce the start date in the principal's weekly call once the outside space is ready to go.

THE “EXTRAS” AT JAMERSON

There are a lot of things that set Douglas Jamerson apart from other schools, but you already know that since you chose us as your school! Here are just a few things that make us special...

DLJ Home Challenge

Students can earn schoolwide incentives for completing the weekly DLJ Home Challenge! Using the details below, work with your child to set goals and track progress throughout the school year.

Ways to Earn Points

DLJ Home Challenge of the Week: Up to ten points weekly

DreamBox Learning: Two points per lesson completed (Grades K-2), up to ten points.

One point per lesson completed (Grades 3-5), up to ten points.

In total, students can earn up to twenty points per week or 700 points during the year.

Ways to Help Your Child

- Review the incentives below and set goals. Track your child’s progress each week.
- Allow time and quiet space for your child to work at home. Feel free to talk about the Home Challenge of the week together.
- When your child is stuck, ask: What do you think? What have you tried?
- When using DreamBox Learning, encourage your child to attempt the problem and even guess. The program will adapt after every completed lesson, even if completed without understanding. Do not help your child too much.
- Do not push for perfection. Allow your child to make mistakes.

Schoolwide Incentives	
Points	Incentive
60	Certificate and Popcorn Voucher
120	Jamerson Swag
230	Ice Cream Sandwiches
180 (60%)	Cookie Decorating Event (Before winter break)
288 (60%)	Math Festival (February)
490 (70%)	Water Play Event (May)
560 (80%)	Special Reward at Water Play Event



DreamBox Family Access

Your child can access DreamBox Learning Math 24 hours a day, 7 days a week from a desktop, laptop, or iPad by logging in through the school's District portal (an Internet connection is required). To access DreamBox from an iPad, go to <https://www.dreambox.com/ipad>, or search for DreamBox Math in the App Store. Once you have downloaded the app you can log into your student's profile through the district portal.

To set up your **free Family Insights Dashboard**, follow these steps:

- 1) Go to your student’s District portal.

- 2) Have your student login to his or her profile.
- 3) Click Setup Parent Access at the bottom of the page.
- 4) Follow the instructions to create a login (email) and password.
To log into your Family Insights Dashboard (after it is set up):
 - 1) Go to <https://play.dreambox.com>.
 - 2) Enter your email and password.
 - 3) To see student progress, click the Family Dashboard button.

If you have any questions, please visit our support site, or email us at homesupport@dreambox.com. They are available Monday through Friday, 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific.

Clubs/Extracurricular Activities

DLJ is proud to offer a wide variety of clubs and extracurricular activities. Most of the activities are after school, with a few clubs being held before school. Many of the clubs are free due to generous sponsorship by the PTA. Most clubs are open to all students; however, some are grade specific. Most clubs meet once a week for 6-8 weeks, and the dates and times vary per club. Clubs will be advertised in the school newsletter, on the morning news show, or in flyers.

Past clubs have included: Strategic Games, STEM, National Junior Honor Society (fifth grade), Principal's Multicultural Advisory Committee, Kindness Club, Girls Who Code, Boys Who Code, and Battle of the Books. Fee-based clubs have included Tampa Bay Watch and Mindfulness Club.

DLJ also offers arts ensembles during the school day. Students in grades 3-5 can apply to participate in band (beginning and advanced), chorus, Jammers, art focus, and Dali Junior Docents.

DLJ Live

DLJ Live is our daily morning news show viewed in all classrooms at 8:43 a.m. It is written, produced, and run by a select group of fourth graders. Our students say the pledge and hear daily announcements.

PTA (Parent Teacher Association)

Douglas Jamerson is incredibly lucky to have an active PTA. Membership is not mandatory, but all parents are asked to consider joining. Membership is just \$5 per person for the entire year and needs to be renewed each school year. Becoming a member does not oblige you to attend meetings or events. In addition, a strong PTA membership sends a clear message that the parent body endorses the PTA mission of supporting and advocating for every child.

The PTA conducts general meetings and events throughout the school year that are open to everyone, whether you are a PTA member or not. Look for information in newsletters and flyers sent home and/or posted on Facebook.

The PTA has a large board who works extremely hard to plan the events for the year. Board meetings are closed meetings and are therefore only open to current board members. To learn more about becoming a board member, contact the PTA President at dlijptapresident@gmail.com.

T-shirts/Spirit Gear

The PTA sells a variety of t-shirts, sweatshirts, cups, and other gear with the DLJ logo. These items are sold at various PTA-sponsored events. They can also be purchased through givebacks at <https://jamerson.givebacks.com/>. It is not mandatory to purchase or wear these items, but we ask students to wear Jamerson t-shirts on Fridays as school spirit days.

SAC

SAC stands for School Advisory Council. This is a group of parents, staff, and community members who meet 6-8 times throughout the year. Their goal is to enhance student success by evaluating and developing the School Improvement Plan (SIP). Meetings are advertised in the school newsletter, and everyone is welcome to attend. To become a member of the SAC board, contact the current SAC Chair at jakintonde1381@gmail.com or ask in the front office.

Engineering EXPOs

We offer Engineering EXPOs two times each school year. These are days where students participate in special engineering activities during the school day. Families are invited back to the school that evening to enjoy grade level engineering displays, scavenger hunts, musical performances, and much more.

Magnet Schools of America

Douglas Jamerson is proud to have been recognized by Magnet Schools of America for the past 14 years. Magnet Schools of America recognizes a select group of outstanding programs across the nation that meet their goals of desegregation, equity, excellence, and the expansion and improvement of magnet schools. In 2022 – 2023 Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Elementary was recognized as a National Demonstration Magnet School. This means school districts from all over the country can visit Jamerson to see how we implement our magnet program and gather ideas to return to their respective districts. In 2023-2024, we were awarded the Magnet School of Excellence distinction.

OTHER INFORMATION

Contact Information and Clinic Cards

The yellow clinic cards that you typically fill out at the beginning of each year are now electronic and must be completed in your parent Focus account. The clinic card is only available online this year.

You will also complete a hard copy student information card. Please list anyone with permission to pick up your child from school on the student information card. If your address or phone number changes, please notify the office or ask for a new student information card. You will also need to log on to your parent Focus account to make the change yourself. Then, bring in proof of this change (lease, power bill, etc.) to the school. You can also email two proofs of address to our DMT at teaglel@pcsb.org.

Gifted Testing

Gifted testing can be done at the school by parent request or teacher referral. You are also welcome to have your child privately tested. Gifted classes are held on site, and each grade level attends one day per week.

ESE/Other Services

The school provides ESE (Exceptional Student Education) services and other student services for those students with IEPs (Individualized Education Plans). If you have questions about an IEP (Individual Educational Plan), please contact your child's teacher or the Guidance Counselor.

What will happen next year?

Once your child has been accepted as a Kindergarten DLJ student, the expectation is that they will remain here through fifth grade. You do not need to reapply each year.

Middle School Feeder Pattern

You are welcome to apply to any middle school of your choice, but we do currently offer feeder patterns to two schools. DLJ students are guaranteed a seat at Azalea Middle or Bay Point Middle if you apply on time and rank either of them as your first choice. Azalea offers an Engineering magnet program, and Bay Point Middle has a Math and Science magnet program. Please go to www.pcsb.org for more information on middle schools.

Parent Portal

Your parent Focus login (p.) is used when you want to go online to check grades, change your address, apply for a school, upload doctor notes and more. You received one when you applied for Douglas Jamerson. A new process for this year is that you no longer need to come to the school to reset your password or create an account. You can now do this yourself. Please see the information below to scan the QR code and follow the instructions.

Online Student Resources

Some websites used by students require login information. This varies by website. Your student already knows their login, or you can ask the teacher to provide it. The DLJ website (<http://pcsb.org/jamerson-es>) and your child's Clever account provide links to many educational websites and learning resources.

Who's Who on Campus?

We have more than forty classroom teachers and assistants on campus. There are also many other staff on campus working for the benefit of every child, including:

- School Counselor: Ana Lopez
- Behavior Specialist: Kiwanis Baines
- VE Resource Teacher: Tipton Ballard
- Magnet Coordinator/Engineering Coach: Debbie O'Hare
- STEM Coach: Mary Krause
- Library Media/Technology Specialist: Katie Tinter
- Advanced Academics Teachers: Andrea Cate & Jessica Dean
- Data Management Technician: LaShondala Teagle
- Principal's Secretary: Keyana Squire-Dennis
- Family & Community Liaison: Jessica Marinari-Bishop

