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JAMERSON PTA TIMES

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Happy November Jamerson Families! We are thankful for you!

THANK YOU!! Thank you all for all your support! We brought in \$20,000+ with our Reading Grows Your Mind Fall Fundraiser. Our October Jamerson Families Breakfast had a great attendance, and we loved seeing everyone reading with their child and friends. And Jamerson parents & guardians have been stepping up to volunteer every time PTA asks for help. So, thank you so much from the bottom of my heart. Parents and families like you are one of the strongest reasons why Jamerson is such a great school.

In November the students can get a jump on gift shopping at our Holiday Shoppe. We need volunteers for this event to run smoothly. Please check out the rest of the newsletter about how to sign up for the holiday shoppe.

For all things PTA be sure to check out this newsletter plus both our Facebook and Instagram pages. Please check them out for current information!

If you haven't signed up for membership yet, go to jamerson.givebacks.com/shop to sign up today. Keep an eye out for our membership drive coming soon!! Students can sign up as well to help make our voices bigger!! Being a member doesn't mean you need to attend meetings or volunteer!!

November includes our annual Clothing Drive. We will be looking for gently used clothing and brand-new items for Jamerson's clothes closet and to donate to Clothes To Kids. Read more about it inside this issue.

If you have any questions or would like to share some of your ideas and thoughts, please feel free to contact me.

Jessica Marinari Bishop
Jamerson PTA President

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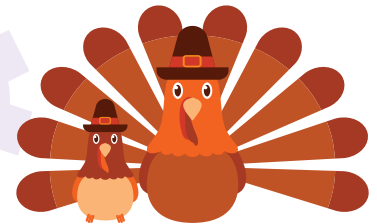
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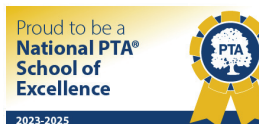
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MEMBERSHIP

Jamerson PTA Needs You!

The Jamerson PTA is trying to get as many of our families, teachers and staff members signed-up as members of the PTA as possible. Attendance at meetings and events is not required. You can be involved as little or as much as you want. The bigger our numbers, the bigger our voice for the important matters.

How about we sweeten the deal...We are holding a membership drive through December 12. The class with the most PTA members signed-up from July 1 - December 12, 2025 will win a DIY cupcake party. Help your student's class win, sign-up today!

Membership is only \$7 and some of that comes right back to the school. Be part of our voice. Please scan the appropriate QR code to the right to sign-up.

PARENT MEMBERSHIP



TEACHER/STAFF MEMBERSHIP



HOLIDAY SHOPPE IS ON THE WAY!



The Jamerson PTA is happy to bring back the Wonderland Gift Shoppe again this year. Students will be able to shop during their designated class shopping time from **November 10 - 14**.

The gift shoppe is not a fundraiser and serves solely as a way to give students the opportunity to shop for gifts for their family and friends. It is a great way for them to experience the gift of giving all while learning how to budget and spend their money wisely! Gift prices start as low at .25 cents and all gifts are under \$20 dollars.

An official Wonderland Gift Shoppe flyer and envelope was sent home with your student last week with additional information. You can check with your child's teacher to find out what day they will be shopping.



WANT TO BE A HELPER ELF?

We are looking for volunteers to join us in helping the children shop for their friends and family. To sign-up, please scan the QR code below. All volunteers must be at least a Level 1.



FROM THE EDITOR

Lisa Grasso, VP of Communications

November is here and we just wanted to say how **THANKFUL** we are for all of you. As a PTA, we love what we are able to do for Jamerson's students, families, teachers and staff. And without the support of all of you, none of that would be possible... So thank you!

DATES TO REMEMBER

November 10 - 14

Holiday Shoppe

November 12

Great American Teach-In

November 17 - 21

Clothes To Kids Clothing Drive

November 22 - 30

Thanksgiving Break



CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS



BECOME A LEVEL 1 VOLUNTEER

Would you like to volunteer at Jamerson but are not registered as a Level 1 volunteer? Go to <https://asd.pcsb.org/schoolwiresforms/volunteer/> to start the process. It's easy and after you are registered you can sign up for most of our events.

CLOTHING DRIVE

Donations Needed for the Jamerson Closet and Clothes To Kids

This month we will be having our annual clothing drive from **November 17 - 21**. During the clothing drive, bins will be placed outside the front office and we will collect new and gently used clothing for kids. Clothing collected will be used for both donations to the non-profit, **Clothes To Kids, Inc.**, as well as restocking the **Jamerson Clothes Closet**.

Clothes To Kids, Inc. provides new and quality used clothing to low-income or in crisis school-age children (Pre-K through 12th grade), free of charge. While all donations are greatly appreciated, they currently have a high need for Girls Pants sizes 4, 5, 6 & 7, Boys Pants sizes 5, 6 & 7 and sneakers sizes 10 - 5. To learn more about Clothes To Kids, Inc. visit their website at clothestokids.org

The **Jamerson Clothes Closet** is used for students who may need a change of clothes during the school day. The closet is stocked with clothing for kids K - 5th grade. The current needs for the closet are Adult Size Socks for Girls, Girls NEW Bras for age 12 and up, Girls Shorts sizes 12-16, Girls T-shirts sizes 12-16, Boys Shorts sizes 12-16, Boys T-shirts sizes 12-16 and Girls & Boys NEW underwear.

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ABOUT THE PTA

Our PTA is a very active and dedicated group. Our PTA helps sponsor activities, field trips, staff appreciation occasions, events for students and families and much more. We work together as a group to help connect families and the school which allows for a truly enriching experience for students, families, teachers and the staff at Jamerson. Join us for the 2025-2026 school year and help us continue our



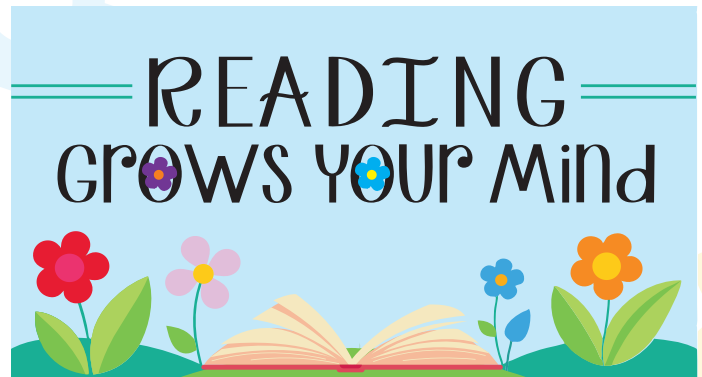
vision of **Making Every Child's Potential a Reality!** Sign-up at jamerson.memberhub.com or scan the QR code.

FIND US ON FACEBOOK

Stay up to date on all the things the PTA is doing. Scan the QR code and like and follow us on Facebook!



OUR READ-A-THON, READING GROWS YOUR MIND, WAS A HUGE SUCCESS!



We want to express our deepest gratitude to families and friends for supporting the Reading Grows Your

Mind fundraiser. The Read-A-Thon officially concluded on October 25, and we are proud of how this year's event showed wonderful growth in both engagement and reading time, demonstrating how reading truly strengthens our minds and builds community spirit. We are thrilled to share the amazing results from our school and community's participation.

We passed our \$20,000 goal and finished strong, raising a total of **\$21,259**. We had a total of **186 students** registered who read a combined total of **90,048 minutes** school wide. This is a big increase from last year's 78,024 minutes. Way to go! We would not have been able to do it without all of the fantastic Jamerson families who brought in a total of **545 donations**.

We want to recognize the amazing 1st grade classes. Together they raised the most as a grade level, contributing **\$7,521** and reading **17,262 minutes**. Our top grade for reading minutes was 2nd grade, with a combined **24,099 minutes** read. Following them closely was 3rd grade with **23,681 minutes** read.

A big congratulations to our top readers and donation earners! All students who earned prizes will receive their prizes and participate in events over the next couple of weeks. Stay tuned for additional information about specific events.

And speaking of prizes, here are our classes that earned parties based on minutes and donations. Our top class raising the most money was Mrs. O'Connor's 1st grade class. Together they raised \$2,785 and earned a donut party. Mrs. Tweed's Kindergarten class earned a Popsicle party for having the most students registered. The top student earners in each grade won a pizza party for their class. The classes receiving the pizza parties are Mrs. Ulasi's Kindergarten class, Ms. Wilson's 1st grade class, Ms. Rosenfeld's 2nd grade class, Mrs. McAlpine's 3rd grade class, Mrs. Threadgill's 4th grade class and Mrs. Cagle's 5th grade class.

Thank you again for your support. It truly takes villages, and this is evidence of that.

SOME ADDITIONAL READ-A-THON NUMBERS BY GRADE!

Grade Level	Minutes Read	Donations Raised	Number of Donations
Kindergarten	7,779	\$4,204	108
1st Grade	17,262	\$7,521	205
2nd Grade	24,099	\$5,117	113
3rd Grade	23,681	\$2,727	77
4th Grade	9,414	\$2,035	27
5th Grade	7,813	\$300	15



SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Teacher & Staff Lounge Revitalization Project - The refreshed space aims to feature a professional-quality coffee station, comfortable, flexible seating, improved lighting and décor and stocked snacks and beverages. We are inviting local businesses and families to partner with us through our new Sponsorship Program, with levels ranging from \$250 to \$5,000. Questions? Please reach out to Joann Burnett, PTA Staff Appreciation Chair, dljstaffappreciation@gmail.com

PTA Newsletter Ad Sponsorship - As a newsletter sponsor you have the opportunity to put your business in the hands of students, parents, staff and faculty. We have ad sponsorships for quarter page ads, half page ads and full page ads. Your sponsorship also comes with a mention on the Jamerson PTA Facebook page. If you are interested or have questions, please email our VP of Communications, Lisa Grasso, at jamerson.pta.newsletter@gmail.com.

SAY CHEESE!

Attention all teachers, staff, volunteers, and Mama/Papa-Razzis! We need your photos for this year's yearbook! We are seeking photos of our students, teachers, staff and families at various events, festivals, field trips, awards ceremonies, etc. to be showcased in the 2025-2026 Yearbook! Help us to create this special keepsake for our students by emailing your photos all school-year to: DLJPTAYearbook@gmail.com.

Please include the following information in your email: *Your Name, Name of Event, Student's Name(s), Grade & Teacher.*

While we cannot guarantee all pictures will be printed, we will try our best to include as many as possible. Thank you for helping us capture memories!



**ALL PHOTOS DUE BY:
APRIL 10, 2026**

LONG-SLEEVE SHIRTS



If you pre-ordered one of our NEW long-sleeve shirts, they will be coming in this month. Once the shirts are received, they will be delivered to your student's class to come home. These shirts were only available through the pre-sale and are no longer available on the website. But don't worry, we still have some great t-shirt options available for you to show your Jamerson school spirit. Visit jamerson.memberhub.com or scan the QR code to purchase yours today!

LAST CALL FOR ENTRIES!

The deadline for the 2025-2026 National PTA Reflections Program is November 20. For over 50 years, the Reflections program has inspired students to reflect on a specific theme and use their imaginations to create original works of art. This year's theme is "I Belong!" Students may submit original works of art in areas of Dance Choreography, Film Production, Literature, Music Composition, Photography and Visual Arts. Entries can be submitted in the front office. For additional information and entry form, please scan the QR code, pick-up a copy in the front office or email ReflectionsJamersonPTA@gmail.com



2025-2026
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