Message from the Principal

**Brandie Williams-Macon**

We are excited to share Jamerson’s 180 Days of Kindness. We are challenging scholars, staff, parents, and families to 180 days of kindness. There are 180 days of school each year and we are challenging you to be kind each and every day.

Please visit [https://www.pcsb.org/cms/lib/FL01903687/Centricity/Domain/24/week%203.pdf](https://www.pcsb.org/cms/lib/FL01903687/Centricity/Domain/24/week%203.pdf) to learn more about this week’s learning challenge.

Jamerson Elementary is committed to the goal of helping every scholar succeed. With your help we will continue to work hard to meet this goal. I am looking forward to this being another fantastic year for all!

Educationally yours,

**Brandie Williams-Macon**

[williams-maconb@pcsb.org](mailto:williams-maconb@pcsb.org)

### PTA CLOTHING & BOOK DRIVE

The PTA will be collecting clothing for Clothes to Kids **Sept. 11th-13th**. The PTA will also be collecting books to be used at the PTA Bookstore. **Chapter books** are greatly appreciated.

### FAB LAB

We are no longer accepting electronic donations. Please do not drop them off at the front office.

### CHICK-FIL-A SPIRIT NIGHT

Monday, September 30th from open until close. This is at the 4th Street location only. Must say you are from Jamerson. Spread the work to family and friends.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- **Sept 2** Labor Day- schools and district offices closed
- **Sept 5** PTA General Meeting & Program, 5:30-7:00 PM
- **Sept 6** Grandparents Day Lunch
- **Sept 7** PTA/SAC Workshops at PPHS
- **Sept 10** PTA Executive Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- **Sept 11-13** PTA Clothing & Book Drive
- **Sept 12** Mid-Period Progress Report
- **Sept 17** SAC meeting 5:30 PM/Open House 6:15 PM
- **Sept 24** Fifth Grade Kennedy Field Trip meeting, 6:00 PM
- **Sept 25** Dads Take Your Child to School Day, 8:00-8:45 AM
- **Sep 26** Trailblazers Award Assembly, 8:45 AM
- **Sep 30** Chick-fil-A Spirit Night
- **Oct 3** 3rd Grade Concert
- **Oct 4** PBIS Yard Games Event
- **Oct 8** PTA Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- **Oct 11** All Pro Families’ Breakfast, 7:45 AM
- **Oct 11** Picture Day Retakes
- **Oct 11** End of First Quarter
- **Oct 14** Professional Development Day, school closed for students
- **Oct 16** Culver’s Share Night
- **Oct 19** USF St. Petersburg Science Festival (4th grade);
- **Oct 21** Douglas L. Jamerson, Jr. Day
- **Oct 24** Howl-O-Fun/PTA General Meeting
- **Oct 25** Junior Achievement (2nd & 3rd grade)
- **Oct 29** Report Cards Distributed
- **Nov. 3** District Magnet Fair (Largo HS 9 AM-12 PM)
- **Nov. 11** Trailblazer Assembly, 1:55 PM
- **Nov. 12** PTA Executive Board Meeting, 6:00 PM
- **Nov. 13** Great American Teach-In
- **Nov. 13** Mid-Period Progress Report
- **Nov. 13** Discovery Night
- **Nov. 16** Bayside Sports Academy Spirit Night, 7-9 PM

**Stay up-to-date on all things Jamerson!**

Check out our website and follow us on Facebook and Twitter.

Follow JamersonPTA on Facebook too!
SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)
The School Advisory Committee is made up of the school administration and volunteers, with leadership by a volunteer. SAC supports the school in achieving its Mission and Vision by reviewing and suggesting improvements to school policies, the School Improvement Plan, the school budget, Title I funds, and engaging in discussions as needed for school support and improvement. SAC meets once a month.

Why Join SAC?

* Learn more about what is happening at Jamerson, especially the progress towards meeting our School Improvement Goals.

* Keep up with the changes made by the state that directly impact your child’s learning — Florida Standards, State Assessments and more!

* Gain insight into the strategies being implemented to increase learning and safety at our school.

If you are interested in learning more about SAC and potentially engaging, please mark your calendars for September 17th. Also, you can contact SAC President, Tonya Smart at clstys@msn.com.

SAC 2019-2020 Meeting Dates:
September 17, November 19, January 21, February 18, March 31, April 21, and May 19

FINGERPRINTING COMING TO JAMERSON
If you would like to become a Level II volunteer or need to renew your Level II, Express Fingerprinting will be coming to Jamerson on Tuesday, September 17th from 5:30-7:30 PM. This will take place during SAC and Open House.

You must be an active Level I volunteer before you are fingerprinted. If you are not, you may register at https://asd.pcsb.org/schoolwiresforms/volunteer/.

Cost: $45 cash or check (bring exact change)

To make the process quicker, have your driver’s license ready and a check made out to Express Fingerprints for $45.00.

If you are unsure if you are already a registered volunteer or have forgotten your log in, see Cindy Parmentier. Reminder, you need to activate your profile for 2019-2020.

parmentierc@pcsb.org

5th GRADE PARENT NIGHT
Sept. 24th, 6:00-7:00 PM in the Media Center
Learn about all the events for 5th Grade: Kennedy Space Center, Enterprise Village, etc.

NATIONAL ELEMENTARY HONOR SOCIETY
Congratulations to the 2019-2020 members. They have demonstrated Scholarship (A’s & B’s for 3-4th grade), Responsibility, Service, and Leadership.

Max F., Kaylene G., Kristen H., Zander K., Jude L., Dutch M., John N., Corbin N., Baylen S., Kylon S., Olivia S., Benton S., Reyne S., Rhys M.

IMPORTANT NOTE
Please make sure your scholar knows each day if they are attending an after school program and/or how they are getting home. Please write a note in their agenda so the teacher, and the scholar will be reminded.

OPEN HOUSE
Tuesday, September 17th
Jamerson will host its Open House at 6:15 pm immediately following the SAC meeting, which will begin at 5:30 pm in the Media Center.

- T-shirt sales
- PTA membership sales
- Food sales
- Level II Fingerprinting

Chick-fil-A Gift Basket Raffle – Support Jamerson STEAM
Win: Chick-fil-A for a year (8-count nugget or sandwich, fries and drink every week for 52 weeks)
Cost: $5/ticket or 5 tickets for $20
Register: you don’t need to be present to win
GRANDPARENTS DAY LUNCH & FRIDAY FAMILY LUNCH BEGINS
Friday, September 6th

Lunch for scholars $2.25 and lunch for guests $3.50.

You may only eat with your child or grandchild.

Guests must be listed on the clinic card.

LUNCH PURCHASE: If you plan to purchase lunch, please prepay by September 4th. Please include the payment with the form below.

PRE-REGISTRATION: to move the check in lines quicker, we are asking families to pre-register. Any visitor planning to eat lunch with their child or grandchild on Sept. 6th, should provide their first and last name as it appears on your driver’s license and your date of birth.

The pre-registration form is on the back.

All guests must have a valid driver’s license or passport to check in.

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*Advanced Academics – 5th grade

Grandparents Day & Family Lunch
Friday, September 6th during your grandchild(s) scheduled lunch.

Student(s) Name ________________________________  Teacher(s) Name ________________________________

Number of adults ______   = $_________
(cost: $3.50 per person)

Number of students ______ = $_________
(cost: $2.25 per student)

Total $________

Cash or Check only- Return by Wednesday, September 4th
Please make checks out to Jamerson Elementary Cafeteria
When Children Should Stay Home from School

Schools and families are often confused as to when scholars should be sent home from school ill, or should be kept home from school when ill. In general, a good rule of thumb is to determine whether or not the scholar can still participate in school activities. Having a sore throat, cough, or mild congestion doesn’t necessarily mean a scholar cannot continue to participate in classroom and school activities. This is especially relevant as we enter the heart of cold and flu season! School Health Services has guidelines for parents and schools to help determine when children should go home or be excluded from school. Additionally, these guidelines also indicate when medical notes are necessary for children to return to school after certain illnesses. Please ask our school nurse for our “Guidelines for Exclusion” brochure. For additional information, please contact the school nurse or School Health Services at (727) 588-6320.

JAMERSON VOLUNTEERS

Did you know that our amazing volunteers logged 12,273 during the 2018-2019 school year? Contact Cindy Parmentier (parmentierc@pcsb.org) if you would like more information on how to become a registered volunteer or get more involved.
### GREAT AMERICAN TEACH-IN
Wednesday, November 13th
Jamerson is so thankful to all the community partners and parents that participate each year. Applications will be coming soon. If you would like to participate, or know someone that does, please contact Cindy Parmentier at parmentierc@pcsb.org.

### JAMERSON T-SHIRTS
PTA will be selling t-shirts on Tuesday, September 17th, at 6:00 PM during Open House. Shirts will be sold in the Parent Lounge (courtyard stage).

### JAMERSON PTA PRESENTS: FAMILY NIGHT
Thursday, September 5th, 5:45-7:30 PM
Oversized Family Game Night!
Come challenge your family or other families to some oversized game fun!
Food: $3 for hot dog, water, chips, & flavored ice
PTA Memberships will be sold at this event.
PTA General Meeting begins at 5:45 PM.

### BUS BULLETIN
Bus Bulletin will send parents bus updates straight from Pinellas County Schools. Register online at www.busbulletin.com.

Once you are registered you will add your student using their 10-digit student ID and birthday. You can find their student ID in Focus. Once you have added your student(s), you will begin receiving notifications about their bus.

### DREAMBOX & READING COUNTS CHALLENGES
Our DreamBox (replaces Sunshine Math) challenge began Aug. 26th. Each scholar should strive to complete 5 lessons per week. Points will be awarded for lessons completed up to 10 (must do at least 5). Scholars will be given time at school to complete lessons as well. The program is compatible with a computer or iPad (Apple).

Reading Counts: Scholars complete quizzes based on books they have read. These short quizzes award points based on text. Prizes will be given for the highest totals in each grade level. Scholars will be able to complete tests in class as well.

Both programs can be found on Portal and in Clever.

### IMPORTANT
Please do not leave scholars in the car circle prior to 8:15 a.m. as there is absolutely NO ADULT SUPERVISION before this time. School Board policy requires that schools provide supervision to scholars 30 minutes before the academic day begins and 30 minutes following the academic day. Leaving scholars before this time is unsafe. Thank you for partnering with us in keeping all scholars safe.

### CLASSROOM NUMBER LINES
Classroom Number Lines will help the scholars build fluency on factors and multiples. We are looking for generous donations of $30 to help fund this new program in each classroom. This will cover a classroom kit, including a large wall number line and access to many student activities! Contact parmentierc@pcsb.org for an Adopt a Class form.

### EARLY RELEASES
Per our magnet agreement, all scholars are expected to be in school the entire day (8:45 a.m.- 2:55 p.m.). Daily attendance directly affects scholar achievement. We encourage you to schedule doctor appointments prior to or after school hours. We understand, however, that this is not always possible. If an appointment must be scheduled during the school day, please bring your scholar to school either before or after the appointment in an effort to minimize loss of instruction. Early releases will only be excused once proper documentation is provided.

Thank you for your understanding in this important matter.

### DRIVER’S LICENSE
Every time a visitor, Level I, or Level II volunteer comes on campus, they must have a driver’s license or passport and will need to be signed in and out at the front office.