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UNFINISHED BUSINESS

2020-2021

John Hopkins Middle School

Upcoming Events

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End of 3rd Quarter

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No School for Scholars -
Teacher Work Day

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No School for Scholars -
Good Friday

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HOME OF THE TROJANS

A Letter from Our Principal



Principal Mr. Carlmon Jones

Dear Trojan Families,

Happy New Year to you and your family. It is hard to believe we are in the second semester of the 2020 – 21 school year! Kudos to you and your child, as each of you has persevered and adapted to the “new normal” of navigating school and educational outcomes during this new day and time.

As a school administration, faculty, and staff, we are working extremely hard to prepare your child to do the very best they can when they sit for the Florida Standards Assessments this coming April and May. We have been able to analyze your child’s formative assessment data and develop and implement necessary interventions to keep moving all scholars towards standards proficiency and an annual learning gain.

Our teachers have also committed themselves to keep the lines of communication open with you relating to the performance of your child in their class. Please continue to monitor your child’s academic progress and attendance through Focus. You can also reach out to your child’s teachers by emailing them or by scheduling a virtual parent-teacher conference through your child’s guidance counselor.

Lastly, I would like to thank the hundreds of scholars who come every day in compliance with our school uniform policy, which now includes bringing a properly-fitted and worn face mask. I can proudly say that well over 90% of our scholars do a great job with this expectation each day. All staff and scholars are required to wear their face mask at all times while inside of classroom buildings to reduce the potential of spreading cold, flu, and COVID germs to one another. We also encourage scholars to wash their hands frequently with soap and water and use hand sanitizer when they don’t have access to wash their hands.

Of course, if you have questions or need to contact a teacher or administrator, please do not hesitate to email or call the school between the hours 8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully,

Carlmon Jones

IMPORTANT DATES

To Remember

Monday, Mar 15 - Friday, Mar 19 - Spring Break

Wednesday, March 31 - End of 3rd Quarter Grading Period

Thursday, April 1 - No school for scholars - Teacher Work Day

Friday, April 2 - No school for scholars - Good Friday

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OUT OF FIELD Teachers

The teachers at John Hopkins Middle School are dedicated to our scholars and the school and district vision of 100% scholar success. They are all certified by the Florida Department of Education in the related subject areas they teach. In addition, they attend professional learning opportunities designed to support their growth in the profession and to help our scholars achieve.

Teacher selection and scheduling can be a challenging process. Occasionally, it becomes necessary to assign a course to a teacher for which he/she is not currently certified. These decisions are made with consideration to teacher competence and a continual commitment to highest scholar achievement.

Any teacher assigned out of field is chosen carefully, given additional district support, and is expected to work towards appropriate certification in a timely manner. The following teachers are currently out of field at John Hopkins Middle School:

- Tatyana Arnold (Reading Endorsement)
- Paul Chedda (ESOL Endorsement)
- Jennifer Collings (Middle Grades Math)
- Kari Ekblom (Middle Grades Social Science)
- Jenna Foster (ESOL Endorsement)
- Lisa Graham (Reading Endorsement)
- Leah Bascom (Reading & ESOL Endorsement)
- Melanie Rogers (Health Education)
- Kellie Tomey (Reading Endorsement)

I am confident that they will provide excellent instruction in a safe learning environment to all of their students. Our teachers and staff work diligently to meet the needs of every student in our school. Your continued support of your child's education is appreciated. Should you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Carlmon Jones
Principal
John Hopkins Middle School

SERVICES WE Provide

Campbell Park Resource Center has a community food donation giveaway each Thursday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Please come through the school's bus circle, stay in your car, and the volunteers will place the food items in your back seat or trunk.

MY PCS Online families can come by the school each Friday from 1:15 – 2:15 p.m. to pick up meals for the week for your child attending John Hopkins Middle School virtually.

Extended Learning Program is up and running at John Hopkins Middle School. Our program is an extension of the normal school day that offers:

- Before school reading and math FSA practice each Monday – Friday school is in session from 8:15 – 9:15 a.m.
- After school remediation, tutoring, and course recovery each Tuesday – Thursday afternoon school is in session from 4:15 – 5:30 p.m. Dinner is provided to all scholars who attend.

Transportation will be provided after school to the following locations:

- Thomas "Jet" Jackson Recreation Center; 1000 28th Street South
- Frank H. Pierce Recreation Center; 2000 7th Street South
- Lake Vista Recreation Center; 1401 62nd Avenue South
- Bay Point Middle School; 2151 62nd Avenue South
- North Shore Elementary School; 200 35th Avenue Northeast
- Meadowlawn Middle School; 6050 16th Street North

To apply, please contact the school at (727) 893-2400, or visit our website, to get an ELP application.

Please remember to frequently visit our website for new upcoming information throughout the year.