# The Cyclone Watch

JMS - A STEAM Academy - April 2022

# From the Principal

I hope, that all of our families had an enjoyable Spring Break. We look forward to having students return tomorrow and beginning the final push to the end of the school year. We want our last eight weeks to be the best!

As the weather is getting warmer, we understand students will be dressing differently, due to the heat. Please assist us in making sure that your child is meeting the dress code when coming to school. Your support is appreciated.

With the coming of the end of the school year, we will begin our testing season. Please see the testing days for your child below for MAP testing. If you have questions about testing, please contact our test coordinator Barb Moore at <a href="mailto:bmoore@cpsk12.org">bmoore@cpsk12.org</a>. It is important that your student is well rested each day of testing, had a good breakfast, and ready to do their best. We had very strong MAP scores last year and we hope to do even better. Please encourage your student to do their best and take the assessments seriously. EOC dates will be communicated to students directly by their Honors Algebra or Honors Geometry Teacher.

MAP Testing Dates:

6th Grade: April 25 and 26 7th Grade: April 21 and 22

8th Grade: April 21, 22, 25, and 26

Online Students: May 2, 3, 5 (7:30-10:30a.m.) May 4 (8:20-11:35a.m. or until finished)



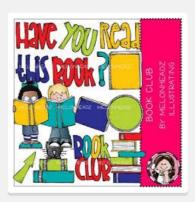
# Media Center News

We call the media center the best place at JMS for many reasons. Where else can your student go and hang out with their friends before school while playing Connect 4, cards, giant Legos; reading books, doing coloring sheets, and working on puzzles? The media center has added to our fun. and we encourage your students to check us out! The JMS media center was the lucky recipient of a donation for non-fiction books. We got some great ones! We have books on Legos, cake decorating, sports and so much more. We encourage and remind students in the daily announcements that they also have access to ebooks and audiobooks in Sora and emagazines in Flipster. Students can come to the media center if they need help accessing these electronic options.



# iPad News

We are seeing a lot of students who come to school frequently without their iPads. The media center has started shutting down iPads that are not making it to school. The iPad will be unlocked when it returns to school. Phone calls home are also being made and seem to help. Every lost iPad that the media center knows about this year has been found. We are able to work with teachers and students and they always turn up. Please encourage your student to come to the media center to start the "finding the iPad process". We will also work with students on iPad charging. If chargers are not working, please bring in the charger so our tech, Mr. Jake, can get your student what they need for charging. We would like to have the non-working charger in order to begin the help process.



# Book Club Updates

Snow days and Mrs. Kiley canceling meetings have interrupted our meeting dates as of late. We will be meeting again in April. At our April 28th meeting we will look at date(s) for May to get some more time together. Our group is growing. We encourage students to attend our meetings at any point in the year that fits their schedule. We enjoy hanging out and talking about books or whatever else comes to mind. Mrs. Kiley is in the media center if your student has questions about our club.



# **Builder's Club News**

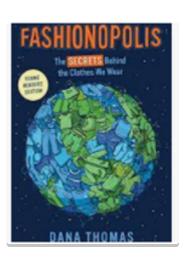
Builders Club is a service organization. We are associated with the Kiwanis organization. We met on March 7 to finalize ideas for the rest of the year. We have plans to work on cleaning all the cafeteria tables. We saw this as a service that would benefit all of JMS. The

for this remodel, the media center will be removing all of our books. Our Builders Club group has plans to assist with this if the school year calendar permits. We are also working on planning our end of year activity with a pizza party. We welcome new members at any point in the year. If your student is interested, they can talk to Mrs. Kiley in the media center.

# Book Recommendation From Mrs. Kiley

<u>Fashionopolis: The Secrets Behind the Clothes We Wear (Young Readers Edition)</u> by Dana Thomas

Did you ever think about where your jeans come from? How about the people who made your T-shirt, or what happens to the clothes you grow out of when you're done wearing them? The fabrics clothes are made of, the way they are designed and sewn and shipped around the world, and the way we consume them and get rid of them—every step in this process has a big impact on our environment, on the people who work in clothing factories, and on our cultures. This nonfiction book shows us how the clothes we wear—and throw away—every day are made, and what that means for our planet and for people around the world.



# JMS Art Mural Contest

JMS Art Studio is hosting a mural contest for our school. We would love to see your designs! Read the mural contest details below to enter.

## STEAM Dream Mural - JMS Mural Contest Information

Imagine a school where your art was on the walls, in the halls and

welcoming others as they entered the building. Illustrate what you hope for our school to represent and our future goals as a STEAM Dream Team. What are your hopes and dreams for the JMS Zoo, your future here at JMS, how will your STEAM education impact you in a positive way?

Use the prompt, "My JMS STEAM dream is," for your inspiration.

You may use the template of JMS STEAM letters or come up with your own design. (see the attached entry form)

Complete the form below for your final submission. Include an artist statement and a digital photo of your mural design.

### **Contest Entry Form:**

https://docs.google.com/presentation/d/e/2PACX-

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If you create a design on a separate piece of paper please attached entry form with separate art work in the Final Submission link.

DUE April 4, 2022 after Spring Break.

Submit Final Entries to the online submission below.

https://forms.gle/KTypWAHbmpcGkGui9

**Happy Creating!** 

Mrs. Howell

Art Specialist

Jefferson Middle School: A STEAM Academy

showell@cpsk12.org



# **Notes From The School Nurse**

## **Spotlight on Headaches:**

There are a lot of students who come into the health room with complaints of headache pain. Headache sufferers spend more than \$4 billion a year on over-the-counter pain relievers, but prevention costs you nothing. Here are leading headache culprits to watch for:

#### **STRESS**

Frayed nerves are a frequent cause of "tension" headaches and may also trigger migraines. Ideas: Take 20 minutes a day to meditate, daydream or otherwise relax. (Preferably not during class time!)

# SCHOOL

### **DIET**

Certain foods contain substances that can trigger headache pain. Some examples are: caffeine, processed meats, chocolate, cheese, and foods containing MSG. For students, a prime cause of midmorning headaches is skipping breakfast.

#### **EYESTRAIN**

Concentrating on one object for a long time (such as a computer screen or cell phone) can cause temporary head pain. Suggestions: take occasional "eye breaks" by looking out a window, or maybe consider an eye exam to see if a vision problem might be a factor.

#### SITTING

Staying seated for long periods of time, especially if you are constantly on the phone or hunched over, can tighten muscles and lead to tension headaches. Suggestions: shift positions, stretch at least once an hour, stand during phone conversations, and take a lunchtime walk.

#### **SLEEP**

Too little sleep or, surprisingly, too much sleep can bring on headaches. Best ideas: control your brain's clock by going to bed and getting up at the same time each day – even on the weekends (when possible).

## **DEHYDRATION**

Not drinking enough water can cause a headache. Remember to send a clean water bottle to school with your student every day.

**REMEMBER**: CPS students in middle school are allowed to carry one or 2 doses of over-the-counter pain reliever, if it is in the manufacturer's labeled bottle or container. Single dose packets are ideal.

# IMMUNIZATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CURRENT 7TH GRADE STUDENTS \*AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE NURSE\*

For **<u>current 7th grade students</u>**: the following immunizations will be required:

· For **all incoming 8th grade students**, one <u>Tdap</u> (tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis) vaccine and one <u>meningococcal</u> vaccine (meningitis).

If your child has received a recent Tdap and/or meningitis vaccine since the age of 10 years, please send proof of the immunization to your school nurse or have the health care provider **fax** the immunization record to the school nurse at **573-214-3399**.

If your child has not received these vaccines, the immunizations need to be completed <u>before</u> June 1st if they will attend 2022 summer school and before they receive schedules for the 2022-2023 school year next August.

Immunizations are available from local health care providers or the Columbia/Boone County Department of Public Health and Human Services: 1005 W. Worley, make an appointment by calling 573-874-7355.



# Covid-19 Update:

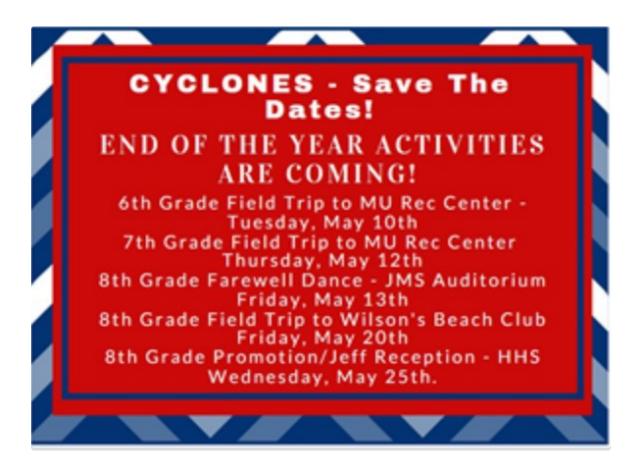
CPS follows the guidelines provided by our local health department and the CDC. The number of positive Covid-19 cases has dropped dramatically. Wearing a mask is now optional in our school buildings. If your student wants to wear a mask, they are encouraged to do so. You should provide a mask for your student if they want to wear one. The health room will have a supply of masks for a student who is displaying signs of illness. Wearing a mask protects OTHERS from your germs and we encourage you to continue to monitor your student for any signs of illness. Testing sites have reduced their hours of operation due to the decreased demand for Covid testing. At the time this article was written, CPS was offering drive through testing at Hickman High School by appointment only between the hours of 10 AM and noon. Please call the school nurse to schedule an appointment at Hickman High School for a free rapid Covid test.

I personally would like to thank the parents and students at
Jefferson Middle School. I am grateful for parents who kept their
sick student home, and for the kids (and adults) who wore their
masks without TOO much complaining during the height of the
pandemic. It has been an experience that I have never had in nearly
43 years of nursing. These 2 years will be recorded in the history
books of our future health care providers!

Thank you and Happy Spring!

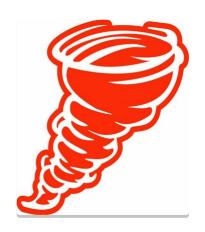
Nurse Betty Cramer, RN, BSN <u>ecramer@cpsk12.org</u>

Sheryl Mitchell, health secretary <u>smitchell@cpsk12.org</u>



# JMS ATHLETICS

THERE WILL BE A FALL SPORTS MEETING APRIL 12 IN THE
AUDITORIUM FOR ANY ATHLETE WANTING TO PARTICIPATE IN A
FALL SPORT NEXT SCHOOL YEAR. MEETING WILL BEGIN AT 7:10AM.
COACHES WILL SHARE CAMP INFORMATION AND TRYOUT
INFORMATION FOR FOOTBALL, VOLLEYBALL, CHEER, AND CROSS
COUNTRY. THIS IS FOR CURRENT 6TH AND 7TH GRADERS ONLY.



<u>CAMP DATES FOR THIS SUMMER - THIS IS OPEN TO ALL JMS</u>

STUDENTS 6 - 8 GRADES

**BASKETBALL**:

Girls: June 20 - June 23 3:00 - 5:00pm

Boys: TBD Volleyball:

July 25 - July 28 8:00 - 10:00am

Football: TBD

#### CYCLONE SCRAMBLE INFORMATION

See the following information about our JMS Golf Scramble – This is a fun participation fundraiser for our Athletic Programs. We are looking for teams, hole sponsors, or any donation would be helpful! This is a great opportunity spend an incredible day on the golf course with friends and/or family.q1

# JOIN US ON JUNE 12TH

Support the JMS Athletic Boosters!

4 Person Scramble/\$100 per Person

Registration includes: Green fees, cart and 2 drink tickets and lunch



Lake of the Woods Golf Course 6700 E. St. Charles Rd. Time & Date

June 12, 2022 Times are still to be determined

# Questions?

Contact Ashli Hagan ahagan@cpsk12.org 573-214-3210





# Frequently Asked Questions Get Ready for the 2022 Columbia Summer SUNsation

#### Who may enroll in the Columbia Summer SUNsation?

The Columbia Summer SUNsation is a FREE summer program operated by the Columbia Public Schools open to all Columbia students from prekindergarten (children entering kindergarten Fall 2022) through grade 7.

What are the dates and times of the program?

The Summer SUNsation program is scheduled daily from June 2 – June 29. (School will not be in session on June 20.) Summer programs operate at the same time schedule as the regular school year. Start/end times are listed on the district website www.cpskl2.org.

### mer school program located?

The <u>elementary summer program</u> will operate in all elementary schools, except: Derby Ridge students attend Blue Ridge. Parkade students attend West Blvd.

Shepard Blvd students attend Cedar Ridge. Russell Blvd students attend Paxton Keeley. Two Mile Prairie students attend Eliot Battle.

The <u>middle school summer program</u> will operate in all middle schools exception of the middle schools exception of the students attend Lange MS.

Jefferson MS students attend West MS.

#### What is the daily schedule?

Each morning students are involved in academic lessons that help students continue learning during the summer and prepare them for the next school year. Afternoon courses provide students with new adventures such as constructing models, solving puzzles, and creating new "worlds" on Minecraft. Afternoon courses emphasize "learning by doing" activities that combine fun and thinking skills. Course descriptions are available on the district website <a href="https://www.cpsk12.org/summerschool">www.cpsk12.org/summerschool</a>.

Is bus transportation provided?

Bus transportation is provided using the same regular school year guidelines. Summer bus stops are determined on enrollment forms received by April 29. Bus route information will be available on CPS Home Access after May 30. Students attending a school other than their home school because of summer maintenance will be bused to their summer school location. Parent transportation must be provided for students attending a school outside of their

Are breakfast and lunch served? FREE breakfast and lunch are served daily.

How do I enroll my child in the Summer SUNsation programs?

You can enroll online at www.cpuktl2.org, click on Families Portal at top right corner, enter parent/guardian ID# and password, click summer school tab. If you do not know your parent/guardian ID# and password, please contact your child's school secretary, or call CPS Parent Helpline 573.214.3334. You can also enroll by completing the enrollment form on the backside and return to your child's school office.

If using your Smartphone or other Smart device, you can download the app: Classlink Launchpad. Open the app and select your school district by typing Columbia in the search box. Select Columbia Public Schools for Families, enter your username (six-digit guardian ID#) and password (email address you use to communicate with CPS), and the family portal will open.



# ▲TRADEBOT

SOCIETY OF WOMEN ENGINEERS ALPHA OMEGA EPSILON

Spend a day as a Mizzou Engineer while learning about Mizzou admissions and careers in STEM

APRIL 9, 2022 9AM - 3PM

Contact Rosalie Garzia rmgm6q@umsystem.edu (314) 961-3581 with questions.





# Columbia Public Schools Election Update

#### Questions Answers &

**Dates to Remember** 

March 23 - Last Day to Request an Absentee Ballot

April 4 - Last Day to Vote Absentee

April 5 - Election Day

The Columbia Board of Education has called a special election on Tuesday, April 5, 2022 to submit a proposal for a no-tax-rate-increase bond issue to Columbia voters. The bond issue proposal requires 57 percent approval.

- Q. What is the an A. \$80 million. ount of the proposed bond issue?

- Will the bond issue require a tax increase?
   A. No. A tax levy increase is not necessary to maintain and improve our facilities. The bond will only extend the current debt payoff period.
- How is bond debt paid?
   A. Bond debt is paid using the debt service fund. Debt service is one of four funds included in the school district's tax levy. The fund is used to pay principal, interest and fees on outstanding bond issues. The debt service levy is \$0.9719. The addition of the bond will not increase the debt service levy.
- Q. What is the difference between a tax levy and a bond issue?
  A. By law, bond issues only provide funds for new construction, renovation of existing facilities, technology and the purchase of equipment. Tax levy funds are used to pay for operating costs such as salaries, benefits, materials and supplies. Bond funds cannot be used to pay for operating expenses. The April 5 election is a bond issue request of voters.
- Q. How will the funds be spent?

- The bond will be used for:

  New Construction

  9.25 million for a new elementary school on the John Warner Middle School property

  9.525 million for a new elementary school, including purchase of land, in a location to be determined.

- Building Additions © \$15 million for an addition and facility renovation at the Columbia Area Career Center
- o \$4.5 million for a classroom addition to Eliot Battle Elementary School to address continued community growth
- Building Improvements

  O \$3.5 million for ADA enhancements, facility maintenance and improvements, including roofs, tuckpointing, HVAC and other
- O 53 million for technology
  O 52 million for safety and security enhancements, including construction of additional secure vestibule single points of entry for buildings that don't currently have them in place
  O 52 million for technology infrastructure needs
- Q. Why is there a need for these items?
- A. The Board of Education has adopted facility goals based on an evaluation of district facilities. These goals include addressing continued growth in our community; improving the physical and learning environments in all facilities; and increasing the functional life and efficiency of facilities. Additionally, the district's facility plan includes areas of focus on projects to improve accessibility and safety and security across the district.

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#### Long-Range Facility and Bond Plan

Vote	April 2016 \$30 million bond (no-tax-rate increase)	April 2018 \$30 million bond (no-tax-rate increase) June 2019	June 2020 \$20 million bond (no-tax-rate increase) August/ September 2020	April 2022 \$50 milion bond (no-tav-rate increase)		April 2026 \$30 million bond (no-tax-rate increase expected)	April 2028 \$130 million bond (no-tax-rate increase expected)
Issue	June 2018			June 2022 \$40 million	June 2024 \$40 million	June 2026	June 2028
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