SUPERINTENDENT’S MESSAGE

It’s going to be a great school year!

We are so excited about the 2017-2018 school year and all the new opportunities and programs that will be offered this year! Our buildings and grounds have been cleaned and trimmed by our amazing custodial and maintenance staff, and our teachers are beginning to sneak in. Every year at this time we are so busy finalizing all the necessary preparations to begin the school year that we can’t believe how the summer just flew by.

We have had a very busy summer with all the construction projects and improvements being made throughout the district (check out the Construction Update article for more details). We hope our students are also getting excited about this school year, because we have a lot planned for them. We will have the new Jefferson R-VII Performing Arts Center open and ready to receive our students at the beginning of the school year. Our students will have opportunities to perform and/or attend presentations inside this new facility throughout the school year.

Also, to start the school year off, we have a total solar eclipse occurring on Monday, August 21st. The staff will be capitalizing on this event to provide an educational moment that will make a lasting impression on every student and adult attending. Special viewing glasses have been purchased and each student wanting to participate may do so with the safety of these. The staff will be educating the children on the safety of viewing the eclipse and the process as it occurs.

We hope you will find time to get involved in your child’s building this year. We have many opportunities available (i.e., volunteering, room parent, Watch D.O.G.S. (Dads of Great Students) program, and even part-time employment opportunities). If you are interested in getting involved, please check out our website or contact your school administrators.

We look forward to seeing you around the district and getting involved.

Summer Repairs, Upgrades and Construction Update

What would a summer be like if we didn’t have repairs, upgrades and construction going on? We don’t know and are very pleased to let you know your school district is looking better than ever! Even though the hot weather made it a challenge, we are still able to put the finishing touches on the new Jefferson R-VII Performing Arts Center in time for it to be used for the opening of the new school year. We invite the community to come to the ribbon cutting ceremony which will be held on Friday, August 18, 2017 at 6:00 pm. If you miss the ribbon cutting ceremony, don’t worry. There will be many other opportunities for you to come visit the new facility; watch for dates for grandparent’s day and the veteran’s day programs. Parking at the high school and performing arts center have also been upgraded and freshly painted with a greater number of handicap parking spots.

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It has been a very exciting 2 years with the expectancy of our early education (preschool) program expansion and educational offerings. This year our preschool program has expanded to offer both part time and full time options for our parents. More information on this program can be found on the dis-

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Proposed 2017 - 2018 Bus Routes

Stop times are approximate. All routes are subject to change as needed.
Expect the evening routes to be up to 25 minutes late the first couple of days after school starts.
All bus routes will be available at the regular board meeting on August 16, 2017.

Bus #1: Hwy 61—Manderly Court—Airport Road/Calvary Church Rd.—VFW/Buck Knob (River Hills)—American Legion/England Dr.—Hwy 67 (Hundred Oaks)—Hwy CC—Fox Farm Road—Canepa Rd./Wimbledon

6:25 Leave bus shed
6:31 Hwy CC
6:33 Hwy 67/Hundred Oaks
6:42 VFW/Buck Knob/River Hills
6:46 Calvary Church Rd.
6:50 Fox Farm Rd.
6:53 Manderly
7:00 Canepa/Wimbledon
7:10 Jefferson HS
7:25 Telegraph
7:25 Plattin Primary

Bus #2: Weaver Road - Hwy AA - Burley Road (Wilderness Acres) - Hwy TT - Waggoner Road - Deer Ridge - Greenland - Barnes Meadows - Hawthorne Hills

6:35 Leave bus shed
6:38 Weaver Rd. (CrystalLake, Weaver Summit, Clermont)
6:40 Hwy AA
6:42 Burley Road (Wilderness Acres)
6:50 Waggoner Rd
6:55 Deer Ridge
6:57 Greenland
7:02 Hawthorne Hills
7:10 Jefferson HS
7:25 Danby
7:16 Telegraph
7:21 Plattin Primary

Bus #6: Oakland Woods – Twin Gables

6:50 Oakland Woods
7:00 Twin Gables
7:15 Jefferson HS
7:20 Danby
7:25 Telegraph
7:25 Plattin Primary


6:25 Leave bus shed
6:30 Drury Road
6:34 Hwy TT (Penny Lane)
6:35 Hwy T
6:45 Hwy DD, Kentch, Dry Fork
6:50 Southwoods
6:58 Single T
7:00 Hwy TT South (Kessler)
7:02 Danby Road
7:05 Primo Rd/Danby Hills
7:15 Jefferson HS
7:20 Danby
7:25 Telegraph
7:30 Plattin Primary


6:30 Leave bus shed
6:32 Stonebridge
6:43 North Hwy 61 Spring Bluff
6:45 Lakeside Manor
6:54 Howe Crossing/New Castle
6:56 S. 61 West Side to Gansser Road
7:00 North Hwy 61
7:03 Timberwolf
7:15 Jefferson HS
7:20 Danby
7:25 Telegraph
7:30 Plattin Primary

Bus #10: Calverton Hts./Madsen – Harness Road (Bridle Wood) – Plattin School Road – Huskey Road – Charter Church Road – Plattin View - Windy Hill - Hwy T - Hwy TT

6:17 Leave bus shed
6:27 Harness Road
6:35 Plattin School Road
6:40 Huskey Road
6:45 Charter Church
6:50 Plattin View
6:50 Windy Hill Road
6:55 North on Hwy T to Hwy TT
7:00 Calverton/Madsen
7:15 Jefferson HS
7:20 Danby
7:25 Telegraph
7:30 Plattin Primary

Bus #11: Hwy AA from Burley - Shannon Valley - Crestview Acres - Greystone Est. - Selma Village - Cole Road

6:38 Leave bus shed
6:40 Hwy AA
6:45 Shannon Valley (to Fork)
6:48 Crestview Acres
6:50 Greystone Estates
6:57 Selma Village
7:05 Cole Road
7:10 Jefferson HS
7:15 Danby
7:17 Telegraph
7:22 Plattin Primary

Bus #12: Boyce Lane – Huntington Trails – Rock-n-Horse – Plottin Rd. – Seclusion Woods - Outer Road

6:25 Leave bus shed
6:35 Boyce Lane/Huntington Trails
6:42 Rock-n-Horse
6:50 Plattin Road
7:03 Seclusion Woods/Outer Road
7:12 Jefferson HS
7:15 Danby
7:20 Telegraph
7:25 Plattin Primary

Bus #16: Hwy TT south of Oakland Woods - Oakbriar Meadows – Hwy TT to Hwy T (Autumn Ridge) Plattin School Rd. – Huskey Rd. (turn around) – Benson Rd. – Hwy T to Hwy TT – Prestige – Hwy TT to Plattin Primary

6:21 Leave bus shed
6:25 South of Oakland Woods on Hwy TT
6:30 Oakbriar Meadows
6:33 Pick up TT to T
6:40 Plattin School Rd. to Huskey (turn around)
6:42 Bennett Rd.
6:45 North on Hwy T to TT to R-7 School Rd.
7:10 Jefferson HS
7:13 Danby
7:17 Telegraph
7:22 Plattin Primary

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Building level student handbooks are available on the website www.jr7.k12.mo.us

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School Calendar

1st Semester

August 21, 2017
NO SCHOOL - The Great American Eclipse

September 1, 2017
NO SCHOOL - Staff Professional Development

September 4, 2017
NO SCHOOL – Labor Day

October 12, 2017
End of First Quarter / Midterm

October 13, 2017
NO SCHOOL - Staff Professional Development

October 26, 2017
NO SCHOOL – Parent-Teacher Conferences (1:00 – 7:30 p.m.)

October 27, 2017
NO SCHOOL

November 22, 2017
Early Out

November 23–24, 2017
NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break

November 27, 2017
NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

December 20, 2017
Early Out - End of 2nd Quarter / 1st Semester

December 21–31, 2017
NO SCHOOL – Christmas / Winter Break

January 1-2, 2018
NO SCHOOL – New Year’s Day/Winter Break

January 3, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

2nd Semester

January 4, 2018
School Resumes

January 15, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Martin Luther King Day

February 5, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

February 19, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Presidents’ Day

March 2, 2018
End of Third Quarter / Midterm

March 16, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

March 28, 2018
Early Out – Parent-Teacher Conferences (1:30-7:00 p.m.)

March 29-April 2, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

May 11, 2018
Last Day of School Early Out – End of 4th Quarter / 2nd Semester

May 14, 2018
NO SCHOOL – Staff Professional Development

*Snow-day makeup would be May 14 – 25, 2018.

2017-2018 Missouri School Immunization Requirements

• All students must present documentation of up-to-date immunization status, including month, day, and year of each immunization before attending school.

• The Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) allows a 4-day grace period. Students in all grade levels may receive immunizations up to four days before the due date.

• For children beginning kindergarten during or after the 2003-04 school year, required immunizations should be administered according to the current Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP) recommendations.

• To remain in school, students “in progress” must have an Immunization In Progress form (Imm.P.14), which includes the appointment date for needed immunizations, on file and must receive immunizations as soon as they become due. The student is in compliance as long as he/she continues to receive the appropriate immunization(s) at the correct intervals according to the ACIP recommendations.

• In progress means that a child has begun the vaccine series and has an appointment for the next dose. This appointment must be kept and an updated record provided to the school. If the appointment is not kept, the child is no longer in progress and is noncompliant. i.e., Hep B vaccine series was started but the child is not yet eligible to receive the next dose in the series.

• Religious (Imm.P.11A) and Medical (Imm.P.12) exemptions are allowed. The appropriate exemption card must be on file. Unimmunized children are subject to exclusion from school when outbreaks of vaccine-preventable diseases occur.

• Snow-day makeup would be May 14 – 25, 2018.

Jefferson R-VII School District is again recognized as a St. Louis Top Workplace - 2017!

The St. Louis Post Dispatch has published its 2017 Top Workplaces (June 25, 2017) and Jefferson R-VII has made the Top 100 list for the second year in a row! This is such a great honor as it reflects the many amazing staff members who continue to contribute to our district’s success.

The following factors were considered:

• ME factors – my job, my manager, and my pay and benefits,

• WE factors – alignment, execution, and connection. The WE Factors are an employee’s be lief in where we are headed, how we will get there, and the feeling that everyone is in this together.

Jefferson R-VII was ranked 12 out of 40 Top Midsize Employers! The District also jumped up 14 places from last year’s rankings. One comments shared by a staff member speaks volumes about the overall direction of the school district.

“I am proud to be part of such an outstanding group of hard working, proud, compassionate and overall “ROCKSTARS” in everything they represent!” It is always exciting to be recognized as a workplace that values professional relationships with every student and staff member throughout the Jefferson R-VII School District.

Congratulations to the Jefferson R-VII School District, as it took everyone to make this a Top 100 Workplace for 2017!

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Missouri Department of Elementary & Secondary Education

No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB)

Complaint Procedures

Below you will find the newly updated Complaint Procedures as outlined by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001. This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs that are administered by DESE (examples include Title I, Title II, Title III.A.2, Title IV.A, Title VI, Title VII.C).

In the attached procedures, you will find that complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department. Your local LEA is Tina Basler and she may be reached at 636-937-7170 x1174. DESE personnel may be reached at 573-751-4212. It is a requirement that we disseminate this information annually to our parents. Thank you, Tina Basler, Federal Programs Coordinator

This guide explains how to file a complaint about any of the programs that are administered by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) under the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (NCLB).

1. What is a complaint under NCLB? For these purposes, a complaint is an allegation that a local education agency (LEA) or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (the Department) has violated a federal statute or regulation that applies to a program under NCLB.
2. Who may file a complaint? Any individual or organization may file a complaint.
3. How can a complaint be filed? Complaints can be filed with the LEA or with the Department.
4. How will a complaint filed with the LEA be investigated? Complaints filed with the LEA are to be investigated and attempted to be resolved according to locally developed and adopted procedures.
5. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the local level (LEA)? A complaint not resolved at the local level may be appealed to the Department.
6. How can a complaint be filed with the Department? A complaint filed with the Department must be a written, signed statement that includes:
   1. A statement that a requirement that applies to an NCLB program has been violated by the LEA or the Department, and
   2. The facts on which the statement is based and the specific requirement allegedly violated.
7. How will a complaint filed with the Department be investigated? The investigation and complaint resolution proceedings will be completed within a time limit of fifty calendar days. That time limit can be extended by the agreement of all parties. The following activities will occur in the investigation:
   1. Record. A written record of the investigation will be kept.
   2. Notification of LEA. The LEA will be notified of the complaint within five days of the complaint being filed.
   3. Resolution of LEA. The LEA will then initiate its local complaint procedures in an effort to first resolve the complaint at the local level.
   4. Report by LEA. Within forty-five days of the complaint being filed, the LEA will submit a written summary of the LEA investigation and complaint resolution. This report is considered public record and may be made available to parents, teachers, and other members of the general public.
   5. Verification. Within ten days of receiving the written summary of a complaint resolution, the Department will verify the resolution of the complaint through an on-site visit, letter, and/or telephone call(s).
   6. Appeal. The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the U.S. Department of Education.
8. How are complaints related to equitable services to private school children handled differently? If the complaint is an LEA is not providing equitable services for private school children, in addition to the procedures listed in number 7 above, the complaint will also be filed with the U.S. Department of Education, and they will receive all information related to the investigation and resolution of the complaint. Also, appeals to the United States Department of Education must be filed no longer than thirty days following the Department’s resolution of the complaint (or its failure to resolve the complaint).
9. How will appeals to the Department be investigated? The Department will initiate an investigation within ten days, which will be concluded within thirty days from the day of the appeal. An independent on-site investigation may be conducted if the Department determines that it is necessary. The investigation may be continued beyond the thirty day limit at the discretion of the Department. At the conclusion of the investigation, the Department will communicate the decision and reasons for the decision to the complainant and the LEA. Recommendations and details of the decision are to be implemented within fifteen days of the decision being delivered to the LEA.
10. What happens if a complaint is not resolved at the state level (the Department)? The complainant or the LEA may appeal the decision of the Department to the United States Department of Education.

Title I - Parents’ Right to Know

Our district is required to inform you of certain information that you, according to the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (Public Law 107-110), have the right to know. Upon your request, our district will provide to you, in a timely manner, the following information:

- Whether the teacher has met state qualifications and licensing criteria for the grade levels and subject matter in which the teacher provides instruction.
- Whether the teacher is teaching under emergency or other provisional status through which state qualifications or licensing criteria have been waived.
- Whether your child is provided services by paraprofessionals and, if so, their qualifications.
- What baccalaureate degree major the teacher has and any other graduate certification or degree held by the teacher, and the field of discipline of his/her certification.

In addition to the information that parents may request, districts must provide to each individual parent:

- Information on the achievement level of the parent’s child in each of the state academic assessments as required under this part; and
- Timely notice that the parent’s child has been assigned, or has been taught for four or more consecutive weeks by a teacher who is not highly qualified.

The Jefferson R-VII School District utilizes Title I money in the Plattin Primary Building. If you wish to request any information listed above, please provide your requests in writing with attention: Mrs. Tina Basler, Principal. A written response will be provided to you as soon as possible.

504 Public Notice

The Jefferson R-VII School District, as a recipient of federal financial assistance from the United States Department of Education and operates a public elementary or secondary education program and/or activity, is required to undertake to identify and locate every qualified person residing in the District who is not receiving a public education and take appropriate steps to notify disabled persons and their parents or guardians of the District’s duty.

The Jefferson R-VII School District assures that it will provide a free appropriate public education (FAPE) to each qualified disabled person in the District’s jurisdiction regardless of the nature or severity of the person’s disability. For purposes of Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the provision of an appropriate education is the provision of regular or special and related aids and services that (i) are designed to meet individual educational needs of disabled persons as adequately as the needs of nondisabled persons are met and (ii) are based on adherence to procedures that satisfy the requirements of the 504 federal regulations.

Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding Section 504 may be forwarded to the Section 504 Compliance Coordinator: Mrs. Karen Kappel, 504 Coordinator.
New Meal Prices

Grade | Breakfast | Lunch
K - 5th | $1.45 | $2.30
6th - 8th | $1.55 | $2.45
9th - 12th | $1.70 | $2.65

Eligibility Criteria for Free and Reduced Price Meals

[July 13, 2017] PUBLIC RELEASE Attachment F

[Jefferson County R-VII School District] announced its revised free and reduced price policy for school children unable to pay the full price of meals served in schools under the National School Lunch Program and the School Breakfast Program.

Local education officials have adopted the following family-size income criteria for determining eligibility:

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Children from families whose current income is at or below those shown are eligible for free or reduced price meals. Applications are available at the school office. To apply, fill out a Free and Reduced Price School Meals Application and return it to the school. The information provided on the application is confidential and will be used only for the purpose of determining eligibility. Applications may be submitted any time during the school year. A complete application is required as a condition of eligibility. A complete application includes: (1) household income from all sources or Food Stamp/TANF case number, (2) names of all household members, and (3) the signature and last four digits of social security number or indication of no social security number of adult household member signing the application. School officials may verify current income at any time during the school year. Foster children may be eligible regardless of the income of the household with whom they reside.

If a family member becomes unemployed or if family size changes, the family should contact the school to file a new application. Such changes may make the children of the family eligible for these benefits.

Households will be notified of their children’s eligibility status for free or reduced price meals. If any children were not listed on the eligibility notice for families receiving SNAP, TANF or FDPIR, the household should contact the school to have free meal benefits extended to those children.

Families who are not listed on the eligibility notice, the household should contact the LEA or school to have free meal benefits extended to that child(ren).

Under the provisions of the policy, Tim Davis, Food Service Director, will review the applications and determine eligibility. If a parent is dissatisfied with the ruling of the determining official, they may wish to discuss the decision with the hearing official on an informal basis or he/she may make a request either orally or in writing to the Tina Basler, Hearing Official.

Hearing procedures are outlined in the policy. A complete copy of the policy is on file in each school and in the central office where any interested party may review it.

USDA Non-discrimination Statement:

In accordance with Federal civil rights law and U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) civil rights regulations and policies, the USDA, its Agencies, offices, and employees, and institutions participating in or administering USDA programs are prohibited from discriminating based on race, color, national origin, sex, disability, age, or reprisal or retaliation for prior civil rights activity in any program or activity conducted or funded by USDA.

Persons with disabilities who require alternative means of communication for program information (e.g. Braille, large print, audiotape, American Sign Language, etc.), should contact the Agency (State or local) where they applied for benefits. Individuals who are deaf, hard of hearing or have speech disabilities may contact USDA through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. Additionally, program information may be made available in languages other than English.

To file a program complaint of discrimination, complete the USDA Program Discrimination Complaint Form, (AD-3027) found online at: http://www.ascr.usda.gov/complaint_filing_cust.html, and at any USDA office, or write a letter addressed to USDA and provide in the letter all of the information requested in the form. To request a copy of the complaint form, call (866) 632-9992. Submit your completed form or letter to USDA by: Mail: U.S. Department of Agriculture, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Civil Rights, 1400 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-9410; Fax: (202) 690-7442 or Email: program.intake@usda.gov. This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Public Notice

All responsible public agencies are required to locate, evaluate, and identify children with disabilities who are under the jurisdiction of the agency, regardless of the severity of the disability, including children attending private schools, children who live outside the district but are attending a private school within the district, highly mobile children, and homeless children, children who are wards of the state, and children who are suspected of having a disability and in need of special education even though they are advancing from grade to grade. The Jefferson R-VII School District assures that it will provide a free, appropriate public education (FAPE) to all eligible children with disabilities. The between the ages of 3 and 21 under its jurisdiction. Disabilities include autism, deaf/blindness, emotional disorders, hearing impairment and deafness, mental retardation/intellectual disability, multiple disabilities, orthopedic impairment, other health impairments, specific learning disabilities, speech or language impairment, traumatic brain injury, visual impairment/brightness and young child with a developmental delay.

The Jefferson R-VII School District assures that it will provide information and referral services necessary to assist the State in the implementation of early intervention services for infants and toddlers eligible for the Missouri First Steps program.

The Jefferson R-VII School District assures that personally identifiable information collected, used, or maintained by the agency for the purposes of identification, evaluation, placement or provision of FAPE of children with disabilities may be inspected and/or reviewed by their parents/guardians. Parents/guardians may request amendment to the educational record if the parent/guardian believes the record is inaccurate, misleading, or violates the privacy or other rights of their child. Parents have the right to file complaints with the U.S. Department of Education or the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education concerning alleged failures by the district to meet the requirements of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA).

The Jefferson R-VII School District has developed a local compliance plan for the implementation of state regulations for the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA). This plan contains the agency’s policies and procedures regarding student records, disclosure to third parties, retention and destruction of personally identifiable information and the agency’s assurances that services are provided in compliance with the General Education Provision Act (GEPA). Questions, complaints or requests for additional information regarding this plan may be forwarded to: Mrs. Karen Kappel, Special Services Coordinator

NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS

Under FERPA for Elementary and Secondary Institutions

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) affords parents and students over 18 years of age (“eligible students”) certain rights with respect to the student’s education records.

These rights are outlined below:

1. The right to inspect and review the student’s education records within 45 days of the day the District receives a request for access. Parents or eligible students should submit to the school principal (or appropriate school official) a written request that identifies the record(s) they wish to inspect. The request should name the precise records to be inspected and describe them sufficiently to locate them. The District will notify the parent or eligible student of the dates and the time the records will be available.

2. The right to request the amendment of the student’s education records that the parent or eligible student believes are inaccurate or misleading. Parents or eligible students may ask the Jefferson R-VII School District to amend records that they believe are inaccurate or misleading. They should write the school principal, clearly identify the part of the record they want changed, and specify why it is inaccurate or misleading. If the District decides not to amend the record as requested by the parent or eligible student, the District will notify the parent or eligible student of the decision and advise them of their rights to a hearing regarding the request for amendment. Additional information regarding the hearing procedures will be provided to the parent or eligible student when notified of the right to a hearing.

3. The right to consent to disclosures of personally identifiable information contained in the student’s education records, except to the extent that FERPA authorizes disclosure without consent. One exception which permits disclosure without consent is disclosure to school officials with legitimate educational interests. A school official is the person employed by the district as an administrator, supervisor, instructor, or support staff member (including health or medical staff and law enforcement unit personnel); a person serving on the School Board; a person or company with whom the District has contracted to perform a special task (such as an attorney, auditor, medical consultant, or therapist); or a parent or student serving on an official committee, such as a disciplinary or grievance committee, or assisting another school official in performing his or her tasks. A school official has a legitimate educational interest if the official needs to review an education record in order to fulfill his or her professional responsibility. Upon request, the District discloses education records without consent to officials of another school district in which a student seeks or intends to enroll.

4. The right to file a complaint with the U.S. Department of Education concerning alleged failures by Jefferson R-VII School District to comply with the requirements of FERPA.

The name and address of the Office that administers FERPA are:

Family Policy Compliance Office
U.S. Department of Education
400 Maryland Avenue, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20202-4605
The high school staff has been in preparation for the past two years for the arrival of the performing arts center. The staff has been working to create new and unique opportunities for all of our students. The facility is one of the finest in Jefferson County.

The high school staff has been reviewing the curriculum for the past year to adapt to the changes to the EOCs. The Staff had been aware the changes have been coming and will do their best to prepare our students. While there are still unknowns with the new EOC expectations, the staff has great procedures in place to make the adjustments. The elimination of the ACT was unfortunate and somewhat of a surprise. The Jefferson High School staff and students made tremendous strides in ACT preparation and scores. We are committed and will announce this fall how the students will have the ability to draw from our experience and create new opportunities for growth on the ACT.

Finally, we researched the impact that attendance has on student performance at Jefferson High School last spring. The results were clear: students in attendance less than 93% of the time: 2.14 GPA. Students in attendance between 93% and 95%: 3.00 GPA. Students in attendance 95% or higher: 3.10 GPA.

*Students in attendance less than 93% of the time make up 15.5% of the student population*

The Jefferson High School attendance rate was 95.7%, outstanding for any high school. The data shows that students who attend school have a high performance rate, creating opportunities for their future.

We are excited about the upcoming year. We believe the high level of achievement from our students along with a high attendance rate, makes Jefferson High School a great place to be!
Principal’s Messages, continued

ever achieved without enthusiasm!” Join me as well as the staff in making this an amazing school year.

Thank you for attending open house this week. We hope you find time to visit us not only on party days, but on other community events such as Curriculum Night, E.I.S.H. Nights, Bingo Night, and at the Parent Teacher Organization meetings held at Danby-Rush Tower on the second Tuesday of each month. The first opportunity to join us again is at the eclipse viewing on Monday, August 21, 2017.

I hope your child rushed home this week and shared many stories from the first few days. I know as we swing back into school routines things seem to become a bit overwhelming, please remember to communicate with your child’s teacher with any questions or concerns. We are a team at Jefferson R-VII, it takes all of us to educate your child. We have several ways to stay up to date with activities and daily events at Plattin Primary: monthly newsletters, the website, and through Twitter @PlattinPrimary. These three places will give you the information needed for upcoming events so please be sure to stay connected with us.

Construction Updates, continued

The district website (www.jr7.k12.mo.us) or by contacting Kim Ervin, Preschool Director (636)937-6530 or ervink@jr7.k12.mo.us.

Danby-Rush Tower has had 5 more classrooms receive new carpets to replace the tattered and worn out old carpets. After many years and many repairs, the Danby-Rush Tower kitchen has replaced its tired freezer with a brand new freezer unit. They hope to repurpose the old freezer unit for storage space. And although it is not as large an item, if you ask the cooks, they are just ecstatic about a new food service cooler which will now be located in their work space area. This will prevent the cooks from having to leave the service line to retrieve prepared salads, etc. which must stay refrigerated until served. After much research and discussion, the Jefferson High School gymnasium floor is being repaired and replaced. This work should be completed in the coming weeks prior to the start of school.

As you can see, it has been a very busy summer throughout the district to ensure all facilities are ready for the start of another great school year for the Blue Jay Nation. Take the time to stop by and see the improvements throughout every building.

Technology Director Returns

Wayne Donjon has been a Director of Technology at two public school districts over the last 8 years (De Soto School District 73 and Jefferson R-VII School District). You may remember him from his previous employment at Jefferson R-VII School District between January 2009 - June 2015. He has two children who attend Telegraph Intermediate in grades 3rd (Mackenzie) and 5th (Logan). His family has called Festus home for the last 11 years.

Wayne has a bachelor’s degree in information and decision sciences from the University of South Florida. His professional background includes: US Air Force - 11 years, defense contractor - 3 years, University of South Florida - 3 years, Saint Louis University - 2 ½ years, Jefferson Co. R-VII School District - 6 years, De Soto School District 73 - 2 years, and Jefferson Co. R-VII School District - July 2017 to present.

“I can’t wait to get the 2017/2018 school year started. I missed the Jefferson R-VII students, staff, and community over the last two years; I couldn’t be happier to be back! Jefferson R-VII is a special place. I am proud of the technology accomplishments that have been made over the summer and look forward to working with the parents, students, and teachers to show others that this is the best school district in the state.

Please feel free to contact me at donjonw@jr7.k12.mo.us if you have any questions, comments or concerns.”

Grandparent’s Day
September 7-8, 2017

Veteran’s Day Assembly
November 10, 2017
Jefferson High School is celebrating the 2017 fall homecoming on Friday, September 29, 2017. Jefferson R-VII School District would like to invite you to come and celebrate with us. There will be a parade, coronation of a king and queen, football game, and dance. The theme for homecoming, as selected by the student council is ‘All Around the World.’

The Jefferson High School Student Council has planned a wonderful week of spirit activities concluding with the crowning of a king and queen (6:30 p.m.) prior to the football game (7:00 p.m.). Spirit week activities will include dress-up spirit days for the district and a high school pep rally preceding the homecoming parade.

Student council will have food trucks prior to the football game outside the Danby Middle School cafeteria, starting at 4:30 p.m. The homecoming parade will be Friday, September 29, 2017, at 1:30 p.m. and will run on Blue Jay Way. Any graduating class interested in an entry in the parade should email or call Jason Dreyer, athletic director at Jefferson High School at dreyerj@jr7.k12.mo.us or 636-933-6910.

More information is available on our website: jeffersonbluejays.com.

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**Homecoming Itinerary**

**Friday, September 22, 2017**
Pep rallies at Plattin (2pm), Telegraph (12:30pm) & Danby (1:30pm)

**Sunday, September 24, 2017**
4:00 - 6:00 p.m. - Senior Swing Around Dance at High School Gym
8:00 p.m. - Bonfire at Jefferson High School

**Monday, September 25 - Friday, September 29, 2017**
**Spirit Week**

- **Dress Up Days District Wide**
  - Monday - Class Color Day
  - Tuesday - International Holidays Day
  - Wednesday - Flag Day
  - Thursday - Sun/Surf/Snow Day
  - Friday - Blue Jay Day

**Friday, September 29, 2017**
8:15 a.m. - Pep Rally for High School Students in High School Gym
12:30 p.m. - Line-up for Homecoming Parade
1:15 p.m. - Student Line-up for Homecoming Parade
1:30 p.m. - Parade begins in front of High School
4:30-6:15 p.m. - Food trucks outside Danby Cafeteria
6:30 p.m. - Homecoming Court Presentation and King/Queen Coronation at the Football Field
7:00 p.m. - Kick-off Varsity Football vs. Springfield Central

**Saturday, September 30, 2017**
7:30-10:30 p.m. - Homecoming Dance

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- **@**
  - www.jeffersonbluejays.com

- **Twitter**
  - High School Athletics
  - Text “Follow@R7Activities” to 40404
  - Middle School Athletics
  - Text “Follow@DanbySports” to 40404

- **Facebook**
  - Jefferson Blue Jays
  - Like us on Facebook to receive athletic updates.
### 2017-2018 Fall Sports Schedules

**Fall Sports Preview Nights ~ Football @ Home 8/11 ~ Cross Country @ Home 8/11 ~ Softball @ St. Pius 8/12 ~ Volleyball @ Home 8/17**

**~ Varsity Football ~**

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* Denotes a JCAA Conference Game

**Buy season tickets to all home games from the Jefferson R-VII High School athletic office starting August 1, 2017.**
Name: Christopher Casey
Position: 7th grade life science, 7th & 8th grade computer science and assistant high school football coach.

Education/Certification and School/Degree: I am certified for 5th-9th science and 5th-12th social studies. I graduated from the University of Missouri-Saint Louis in 2015 with a Bachelor of Science in education (secondary) with an emphasis on social studies.

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I am extremely excited to start my first year of full time teaching! I take education very seriously; I have committed too much time and energy to the process too much not to. I support any and all extra curricular activities; although I am a football coach I strongly support band, other sports, and any after-school club that allows young people to gain a positive self image based on their achievements. I believe that all students should be encouraged to push the limits of their physical, mental, and emotional changes. I am a huge fan of Marvel and comic books. I enjoy running and working out and spending time with my family and friends. I am also spending summer substitute teaching for Mehlville summer school in a STEM course, and tutoring a young boy in math and English two times a week. I have also loved being a positive mentor to these preteens and teens. I have never been so excited for August to get here!

What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? In my spare time I love to run, exercise, hike and hammock; I enjoy the outdoors and all its beauty. I love to hang up my hammock and read a good book. In 2017 alone, I have read over 20 Young Adult Novels and plan on reading many many more. The only time I stop to put a book down in the evenings are when the St. Louis Blues are playing. I am a huge hockey fan and have a special place in my heart for the Blues players. Aside from reading, exercising, and Blues hockey, I have a 6 year old sister who is my best friend and keeps me plenty busy! My family means the world to me, and they are so excited to see all I accomplis as a teacher.

Name: Baileigh Kaulser
Position: Special Education Resource Teacher - Telegraph Intermediate
Education/Certification and School/Degree: I am certified in Mild/Moderate Cross Categorical Disabilities K-12, and received my bachelor’s in Behavioral Science and my Master’s of Arts in Teaching with certification from Missouri Baptist University. Now I’m getting the opportunity to teach special education at Jefferson R-VII!

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I live in Festus with my husband A.J. and our two dogs, Wyatt and Max. I love the field of education I really love watching students grow and start to love learning. I also enjoy being a part of school activities and I hope to get the opportunity to become involved in different events and activities at St. Joe community. I’m very excited to join the Jefferson R-VII team! Go Blue Jays!!

Previous work experience: I started in education as an ABA paraprofessional for Special School District of St. Louis County before becoming a certified teacher and teaching resource in another district.

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Name: Jenny Marshak
Position: Building Secretary - Danby-Rush Tower Middle School
Education/Certification and School/Degree: Bachelor’s Degree in Education and a Master’s Degree in Counseling.

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I am a fellow R-VII resident. I have fifteen years experience as the Curriculum Coordinator at the Jefferson College Child Development Center.

What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? I enjoy spending time with my family, boyfriend of almost 9 years, and my dog Sadie. I love doing craft projects, and photography. I’m ready for this school year to begin!

Name: Stacey McKeon
Position: Food Service - Jefferson High School

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? My husband, Mike, and I moved to Missouri from Pennsylvania after getting married 25 years ago. We have two sons: Jared (23) graduated from MIT and Brenden (22) graduated from Purdue. I am excited for the opportunity to work and interact with the R-VII High School students. It is an age group that I have not yet publicly worked with. Therefore, I welcome the opportunity to do so.

Previous work experience: I was a hairdresser for 12 years, I worked as a cafeteria/recess aide in the DeSoto School District for seven years, I was a custodial aide at the Quad Cities Senior Center for three years and an infant/toddler caregiver for four years.

What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? I love traveling and hiking with my husband and family! I really enjoy going on hikes, staying active, and visiting new places. I also enjoy reading all types of books, but mostly mysteries and suspense! In addition, I enjoy serving in different ministries at our church, Lighthouse Baptist located in Festus.

Name: Daniel Rothweiler
Position: 3rd Grade Teacher and Assistant Softball Coach
Education/Certification and School/Degree: I received my degree in Elementary Education from Maryville University.

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? My name is Daniel Rothweiler! During the Spring 2017 semester, I spent many days substitute teaching for the R-VII District and cannot wait to teach full time here. Throughout college, I tutored college students in mathematics and English courses. I completed my student teaching in mathematics at St. Genevieve High School for grades 7 and 8. While student teaching, I coached the St. Agnes Kindergarten and First Grade Soccer Team in the fall. In the winter, I was an assistant coach for St. Genevieve High School Girls’ Basketball. I am also spending my summer substitute teaching for Mehlville summer school in a STEM course, and tutoring a young boy in math and English two times a week. I have loved being a positive mentor to these preteens and teens. I have never been so excited for August to get here!

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Name: Morgan Grither
Position: 7th & 8th grade English language arts, middle school cross country head coach and high school assistant cross country coach.

Education/Certification and School/Degree: I went to Missouri State University, where I graduated Summa Cum Laude, and got my Bachelor’s of Science in Education with my emphasis in Middle School Education. I am certified grades 5-9 in both mathematics and English language arts.

What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? People have told me countless times that I must be crazy for choosing to teach middle school students. In all honesty, there is no place else I’d rather be. These years are tough on kids with all the physical, mental, and emotional changes happening. I am thrilled to be a role model on their lives where I can help them realize the incredible, unique potential each and every one of them possesses. I want nothing more out of life than to see students smile because of the great things they accomplished in and out of the classroom.

Previous work experience: I am a first year teacher and I could not be more excited to start my career at Jefferson R-VII School District! During the Spring 2017 semester, I spent many days substitute teaching for the R-VII District and cannot wait to teach full time here. Throughout college, I tutored college students in mathematics and English courses. I completed my student teaching in mathematics at St. Genevieve High School for grades 7 and 8. While student teaching, I coached the St. Agnes Kindergarten and First Grade Soccer Team in the fall. In the winter, I was an assistant coach for St. Genevieve High School Girls’
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Name: Michelle Wilson
Position: Food Service - Jefferson High School
Education/Certification and School/Degree: Graduated from Crystal City High School 2001
What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I am excited to start this new journey with the R-VII district and learn new food service skills and be able to work with the staff and students.
Previous work experience: I worked at Bandana’s BBQ from 2001-2015 and I am currently an Assistant Manager at Main and Mill Brewing Co since 2015.
What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? I have 4 kids in the district. Marley (1st grade), Gidion (5th grade), Hayden (7th grade) and Kayliana (10th grade). We enjoy fishing, camping, all different kinds of sports.

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Name: Rachel Schrage
Position: Paraprofessional - Danby-Rush Tower Middle School
Education/Certification and School/Degree: In the spring I will be working on getting my bachelor’s in Psychology. I taught groups of clients aged 12-17 who are struggling with substance abuse.
What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I am very excited to start working at Jefferson R-VII. I have two sons and a daughter in the district. I really enjoy working with students and I’m excited to see where this journey takes me.
Previous work experience: I have worked as Chemical Abuse Technician at COMTRAED in the adolescent substance abuse program. I taught groups of clients aged 12-17 who are struggling with substance abuse. I’m excited to start working at Jefferson R-VII.
What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? Outside of school I enjoy attending my kids’ sporting events and spending time with my family. I like to do anything outdoors!

Name: Tammy Stewart
Position: Nurse - Jefferson High School
Education/Certification and School/Degree: I obtained my nursing degree from Jefferson College.
What would you like the students, staff, community and others to know about you? I am married and have three daughters and three grandchildren, with a fourth grandchild on the way. I can’t wait to meet and get to know all the Jefferson High School students, it is going to be a great year!
What are your interests outside of school and what do you enjoy doing in your spare time? I enjoy camping and going to car shows.

Welcome

Infinite Campus Student & Parent Portal

The Infinite Campus Student & Parent Portal provides students & parents with access to real-time information about their student life. Users can access Portal information on their computer, smart phone or mobile device. Information about grades, report cards, discipline, contact & relationship information, fees, food service, online payments, health, transportation and much more is available through the Portal.

Why should you have a Portal account?
The Jefferson R-VII School District strongly encourages each parent/guardian to obtain a Portal account. The Portal allows parents to remain engaged and up-to-date with their children’s school activities. Additionally, the District uses the information in Infinite Campus to call, email, and text notifications and announcements. Announcements include school closings, missing homework, absentee notices, and test reminders. The Portal allows users to define when, how, and where they would like to be notified.

Where can you request an account?
Parents can obtain an application from the building where their child attends school or the following link gives instructions on how to email the Technology Department. https://jeffersoncountymo.infinitecampus.org/campus/portal/jefferson_county.jsp.
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Please talk to your family, friends, neighbors and businesses if they use propane (easy to identify-- AmeriGas Propane tanks are usually white with ‘AmeriGas’ written on them in red and blue), ask if they will donate their original receipts to you. No minimum gallon requirement – and they don’t have to live in the Jefferson R-VII School District to qualify – they will all add up! Bring original receipts and deposit them into a School Days receipt box located in the office of each building. It’s like money in the “tank”.

If you have any questions, please contact Central Office at 636-937-7940.

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Visitors are welcome!

Blood Drive Dates

The Jefferson R-VII School District is Accepting Applications for Substitutes

~ Teachers ~
~ LPN/RN School Nurses ~
~ Custodians ~
~ Food Service Workers ~
~ Bus Drivers ~

For more details please check out our website (www.jr7.k12.mo.us) or contact Kristi Evans (636) 933-6969 or evansk@jr7.k12.mo.us.

Inelement Weather Advisories

In the event of school closing or early dismissal due to ice or snow we will contact the following radio stations:

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Mark your calendar for the next two blood drives to be held at Jefferson High School.

November 6, 2017  7:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
March 12, 2018  7:45 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

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