



Jones

Middle School

October 2018

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be Safe

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Dear Jones Families,

The calendar may say October, but it has certainly felt more like August! I hope we will start seeing cooler weather soon! I know all of our fall sports participants will be glad to see cooler temperatures.

Our students are settling in to the challenges of new schedules and teachers. Incredibly, the first grading period will end October 12th. Now is a great time to look at Powerschool with your student and help them be sure all assignments have been turned in.

We had another successful Athletic Drive. Thank you to our Athletic Director Logan Erwin, Jones parents and community members, and the athletes who walked throughout our community.

Finally, we have all been inspired by our Service Learning Day when we learned about and practiced Celebrating Our Differences Through Kindness. At Jones, kindness is our culture and we practice this every day!

Sincerely,

Jason Fine

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**BE RESPONSIBLE
BE RESPECTFUL
BE SAFE**

**Upper Arlington
Pillars of Ethical
Behavior**

Fairness and Justice
Respect for Self and Others
Responsibility
Trustworthiness
Caring and Compassion
Citizenship



Important Dates:

October 1 - 8th Grade DC Parent Meeting, 7pm (Auditorium)

October 9 - PTO Meeting, - 8:45am

October 10 - Picture Re-takes

October 12 - End of 1st Grading Period

October 15 - No School - Teacher Grading Day

October 16 - Start of 2nd Quarter

October 18 - 21 - Fall Production

October 22 - Fall Sports Recognition Program, 6:30pm

DC Trip Information

IMPORTANT DC TRIP INFORMATION FOR 8TH GRADERS AND PARENTS!

ALL 8TH GRADERS AND AT LEAST ONE PARENT must attend a mandatory meeting about the spring Washington, DC trip (May 14-17). Please mark your calendars now so that at least one parent and the 8th grade student are BOTH available to attend the meeting. Please bring a smartphone with you if at all possible.

When: Monday, October 1 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: JMS Auditorium

If it is absolutely impossible to attend this meeting, the only other option is to attend the meeting in the Hastings auditorium at 7:30 p.m. on October 10.

In order for your son/daughter to attend the trip in May, both the student and at least one parent must attend this mandatory fall meeting AND the mandatory spring meeting on May 6, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.

We are excited to take your son/daughter with us on this great trip! If you have any questions, please do NOT contact the school counselor. Instead **contact the trip coordinator**, Christy (Frau) Charlton at ccharlton@uaschools.org.

Service Learning

JMS Service-learning Kick Off Day

The 10th Annual JMS Service-learning Kick Off Day, *Celebrating our Differences with Kindness*, was a huge success! The day began with a Can Roll which, thanks to our Jones students and families, generated 1,385 non-perishable food items for Heart to Heart Pantry.

Our opening speaker panel comprised of Superintendent Imhoff, Jones teacher Mr. House, and UAHS students Dylan Carlson, Greta Schreiber and moderator Gabrielle Shell, made an impact on our students and staff by sharing their personal stories. The day continued with 8th graders working on Veteran's Day projects and planting 400 daffodils, 7th graders learning about Elders, and 6th graders learning from the Heart to Heart Pantry volunteers, recycling and Packing for the Streets at Jones.

All students participated in a Service Fair and came away with some great ideas for providing service to others. Students reflected throughout the day by way of a team Google slide presentation and a Ball Pit reflection. Check out the Ball Pit reflections at the main entryway to Jones!

Huge thanks to the Jones PTO for their support of this valuable day for all students and staff!



Fall Pro

Jones Fall Production presents *Shrek Jr.*

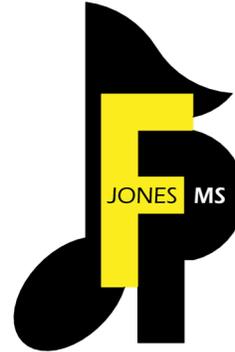
Thursday, October 18 at 7pm (Black Cast)

Friday, October 19 at 7pm (Gold Cast)

Saturday, October 20 at 2pm (Black Cast)

Sunday, October 21 at 2pm (Gold Cast)

Tickets are \$10 and all seats are reserved. Buy your tickets in advance through the link available on the Jones PTO website (www.jonespto.com) starting Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:00am. Shows have sold out in recent years, so make sure to get your tickets early!



Meet 8W

Get to know our Jones staff. Each month we will feature one group.



Mr. Josh Clemmons teaches Honors Physical Science and 8th grade science. He is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Charlotte. He and his wife Paula have 2 children and one more on the way! They have 2 cats and one dog. Mr. Clemmons likes staying active and spending time with his family. His favorite part of teaching is the moment a student understands a difficult concept they have been working hard to grasp.

Mrs. Katie Boich teaches 8th grade Mathematics. She went to Bowling Green State University. Mrs. Boich has 2 children – Hannah who is 6 years old and in kindergarten, and Henry who is 3.5 and is in preschool. She enjoys reading, running, and playing with her kids. Mrs. Boich's favorite part of teaching is establishing good relationships with her students and their families. She says, "It is amazing to watch them grow into high school students!"

Mrs. Nicole Morgan is an intervention specialist who teaches an 8th grade math class and supports students in Math and Language Arts classes. Some activities she loves to do at Jones are Ski Club, Washington DC trip, and produce the Jones Yearbook. She is also one of the co-advisors for the 8th graders' annual Veterans Luncheon. Mrs. Morgan attended both the Ohio State University for an undergrad degree in psychology and Antioch University Midwest for her Master's degrees (Intervention Specialist & Educational Leadership). She lives with her husband Brian and their 10 month old, Mateo. They have one pet named Johan (Siberian Husky). In her free time she loves to travel. Her favorite part of teaching is a combination of each day brings something new along with helping students reach that light bulb moment.

Mrs. Jennie Krauss is an Intervention Specialist and a district reading teacher. She attended Ohio University and Ashland University. Mrs. Kraus and her family live in Granville, Ohio. She is married and has 2 daughters, Rylie who is 12 and Emerson who is 6. They have a goldendoodle named Gypsie. Mrs. Kraus loves to spend time with family and friends, listen to music, exercise, shop, and help with fundraising for the Cystic Fybrois Foundation. Mrs. Kraus says her favorite part of teaching is, “I absolutely love working with our amazing students. Helping students achieve success truly brings my heart joy.”

Mrs. Jean Reese teaches Language Arts. She attended the University of Toledo for undergrad, University of Dayton for her MBA, and Ohio State for her Med. Her husband Dan is a teacher at Hilliard Davidson High School, and they have 2 children – Erika who is a 4th year medical student at Ohio State, and Brian who graduated from Ohio Dominican University and currently works for the Cleveland Indians and Columbus Crew. She has a 13 year old Black Lab/Dachshund who is a rescue dog. Mrs. Reese enjoys running, cycling, hiking, and boating. Mrs. Reese reports that her favorite part of teaching is getting to know the students while helping them build confidence and independence.

Mr. Gregg Moul teaches American History and coordinates the Geography Bee. He attended the University of Richmond as an undergraduate, and received his MA in Education from Ohio State. Mr. Moul lives in Grandview with his wife Mary, their daughter Claudette who is a junior in high school, and their beagle Monty. He enjoys playing golf and solving crossword puzzles. Mr. Moul says he teaches because he loves teenagers and loves history.

For Your Information

Yearbook News

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your support of the 2018-2019 Yearbook Pre-sale. We have had a huge response so far. However, some of you have not taken advantage of this money saving offer. The last day to pre-order a current school year yearbook for **\$40** is **Friday, October 26th!!**

After this date, the price will then be \$45. Order your yearbook online using your credit card at <http://www.jostens.com/apps/store/customer/1049802/Jones-Middle-School/>

Note: If you have any pictures of fall sports, fall production, class parties, etc. we would love to have them. Just put them on a flash drive and drop off in the main office or email them to **nmorgan@uaschools.org**

Thank you,

Mrs. Nicole Morgan and Mrs. Janie Greiner

nmorgan@uaschools.org or jgreiner @uaschools.org

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Veterans' Day Luncheon

Our 8th graders will host their annual Veterans' Day Luncheon on Friday, November 2nd from 11 o'clock am until 1 o'clock pm in the Jones gymnasium. While students enjoy a meal with their veteran, they will have an opportunity to talk about the personal service experience of their veteran and to learn more about our country's history.

If you are interested in volunteering in various roles to assist during the luncheon, please contact our wonderful Jones PTO. For dessert, nut-free cookies are served to both the students and veterans. If you are interested in donating cookies, please also contact the Jones PTO. You can also sign up on the website: <http://jonespto.com/>

Thank you,

8th grade teachers

MATH COUNTS

If your child really likes to solve math story problems, then MATH COUNTS is a club at JMS made for him or her.

The first MATH COUNTS meeting is on Tuesday, Oct. 2nd in room 119 with the advisor, Mr. Kirkpatrick, 6West teacher.

Please drop your child off just before 7:30 because we meet from 7:30 until 8AM. All the students need to bring is a pencil. They will receive a packet of many math story problems along with the answers and strategies on how to solve these problems. In February, ten JMS students will go to Columbus State to represent and compete for either the Jones team or individually.

If you have any questions, contact Mr. Kirkpatrick at kkirkpatrick@uaschools.org

Travel Opportunity

There is an amazing travel opportunity coming in June 2019! Current Jones 7th and 8th graders are invited to take a once in a lifetime service-learning trip to Ecuador with Ms. Laurie Sutherin. This will be Ms. Sutherin's third international trip with EF (Education First), and her second service-learning trip.

There will be an optional parent information night on Thursday, September 20th at 7:30pm in the Jones Learning Center. Requested trip dates are June 25, 2019 - July 3, 2019. Please visit the tour website for more information: www.eftours.com/2086598bb or contact Laurie Sutherin (lsutherin@uaschools.org)