



JAMAICA ELEMENTARY
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Safety and Parking Lot

At Jamaica, we take safety of our students, staff, and guests seriously; therefore we are a closed campus.

1. Please refrain from coming into the school to wait for your child at pick up time by the classroom door. Students will meet you outside after the 2:30pm bell. Thank you for everyone's help with this.
2. It is critical for safety that all guests, including parents and guardians, check in at the front office and sign in for a visitor's badge. All those needing to come into the office must wear a face covering on campus per our governor's mandate. We are not allowing community visitors at this time.
3. The gates are staying locked in the mornings until 7:45am. This is for the safety and security of our students in the mornings. Students will be reporting DIRECTLY to their classroom lines or to the gym upon arriving to school to ensure appropriate safety measures and social distancing. Please ensure you DO NOT drop them off any earlier than 15 minutes before their start time of school.
4. In the parking lot, please use the cross walk and **do not get out of your vehicle.** If you arrive exceptionally early, we encourage you to park in a parking space and encourage your child to walk to your car to avoid traffic issues. We also ask that parents do not block the road while waiting to enter the driveway at the top of the kinder pick up area. Thank you to our many parents who follow this rule to help model for our students.

Citizenship

We believe it is important for the school to teach and evaluate citizenship as they would teach and evaluate academic work. Therefore, students receive a citizenship grade on their quarterly report card. In general, a student with good citizenship:

1. Attends school regularly and is seldom tardy – no more than 4 unexcused absences and/or tardies per quarter (a student can have four absences AND four tardies and earn an "S").
2. Respects school property and observes classroom rules consistently.
3. Works diligently and uses time effectively – turns assignments in on time.
4. Displays courtesy and respect – complies with guidelines of the school handbook.

Report Cards/Awards Assembly

Report cards are being sent home on **December 17th**. There is a sign off envelope that needs to be returned to your child's teacher. We will not have an awards assembly this quarter, but teachers will celebrate in the classrooms on January 6th, 2021. Mrs. Helart will be assisting with awards as well, and certificates will go home for Principals Honor Roll, Honor Roll, and Croc Awards. We will not be issuing Perfect Attendance awards this year.

100th Day
1-20-21

This year we will be unable to hold an on campus 100th day celebration on campus. However, classrooms will still take part in math days Teachers will send home details next month. Students are invited to wear a shirt with numbers on it for the 100th day.


Restaurant Fundraiser

Our PTSO will be holding a restaurant fundraiser on January 7th, 2021. More information to come.



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<u>District Board Meeting</u> 1-19-21		<u>NEHS Humane Society Drive</u> 1/11/21-1/15/21	
The January District Office board meeting will take place at 6pm. The public is invited to attend.		National Honor Society students will be collecting toys for pets and materials for students to create homemade projects for our local Humane Society. More information to come!	
<u>Yearbooks</u>		<u>Tax Credit</u>	
Yearbooks are now on sale through March 22, 2021. The cost is \$25.00 each. A flyer will be sent home with your student. To be sure you secure your yearbook, pay for them early and order them NOW! Cash or checks are accepted. Checks should be made out to "JAMAICA PTSO". You may also order online with a debit or credit card at: www.ybpay.lifetouch.com and use code: 4279420. Thank you for supporting Jamaica by purchasing a yearbook.		Good news about TAX CREDIT! At Jamaica, this helps us pay for full-day Kindergarten, as well as Homework Club. It's EASY to participate: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It's a TAX CREDIT or Dollar for Dollar Off your State income tax, <u>your tax dollars stay in LHC at our schools.</u> • Complete the simple form available at www.lhusd.org or at the District Office. YOU designate the school. YOU direct your tax dollars. YOU know where your tax dollars are being spent. Thank you for your support and for keeping your tax credit dollars local. 	
<u>Spelling Bee</u> 1-8-21	<u>Martin Luther King Day</u>	<u>Happy Holidays</u>	
We will not be able to hold our traditional Spelling Bee this year in the gymnasium. However, we will be holding classroom spelling bees across campus on January 8 th @ 1:00pm.	There will be no school on January 18th in observance of Martin Luther King Day. School will resume on January 19 th . <u>Parent Support Night</u> On Wednesday, January 28 nd our counselors will be hosting a parent support webinar to inform parents on the newest Social Emotional tools that we will be using on campus. We will be sharing more information and link to sign up when we return in January.	To all of our parents for all of the support you give and the partnership we share! A reminder that school resumes for our third quarter on January 4 th . 	

We wish all of our Jamaica families a happy and healthy winter break. May you enjoy your time together safely with your families and friends! Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Andrea Helart
Principal