

WELCOME TO JEFFREY!

On behalf of the Jeffrey Parent Teacher Organization, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome each of you and your families. With our exceptional teachers, administration and community, our students are fortunate to be enrolled in a school that strives to fulfill the school's mission of celebrating the pursuit of life-long learning and fulfilling the commitment to each student to achieve his or her personal best. It is through your support of the PTO that you can join in that mission and help our children have a wonderful school year.

We hope that you find the information enclosed in this packet helpful in getting a great start at Jeffrey Elementary School so that you and your child(ren) have a successful school year! We can't wait to meet you and your family!

Sincerely, Your JES PTO Executive Board

Co-Presidents	Jessica Maynard & Liz Tucker-Plasky
Tri-Vice Presidents	Suzanne Murphy-Almouzayn, Jocelyn Romano & Allison Bauer
Treasurer	Kim Frary
Secretary	Carrie Healy
Members at Large	Cara Rich, Jim Collins, Lynda McHugh & Lauren Preli

The JES PTO Mission: The goals of the Jeffrey PTO are to create a closer relationship between home and School, to enhance the learning environment, to provide and maintain the open network of communication between school and community and to foster parent/guardian involvement in the educational process.

PTO Programs & Fundraising: Our primary objective as a PTO is to provide our school with funds, programs, resources and services that will enrich and maximize the education of every child and benefit the school. To meet this important objective, we fundraise. 100% of your donation goes directly to the PTO for enrichment. Here are a few programs that we sponsor and/or support: Science Month, Art Show, Field Day, Afterschool Enrichment Workshops, Field Trips, Teacher Appreciation, Look for the Good Project, Cultural Arts Events and so much more.

What is the PTO and who can be a Member? The PTO is made up of several officers and our wonderful school staff and volunteers. So, who can be a member? Are you a father, mother, guardian, and/or a person who teaches or instructs at Jeffrey? If you answered **YES**, then we would like you to become a member. The Jeffrey PTO needs involvement from all its families. All your ideas, suggestions and talents are appreciated.

Become a Volunteer...Why YOU should get involved! We are a small and busy group. This is where you can come in! We need your help, and so do your child(ren). At Jeffrey, we strive for excellence and what better way than to become involved today. We are in need of growth and are seeking volunteers to continue re-establishing the organization. We have planned some exciting events this year in hopes to get more parents involved in their children's education and meet your community. The PTO is a **TEAM** effort in which we cannot succeed on our own. Please come and join us by signing up on our website, friend us on <u>Facebook</u>, contact a PTO officer, or email the PTO at <u>contact@jespto.org</u>.

Upcoming 2019-2020 PTO Events

We look forward to seeing you as the new school year begins. MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!

- Orientation: August 29th, K-I @Ipm, Gr.2-3 @2pm
- Jeffrey Family Picnic: September 6th @5:30pm
- Open House: September 18th @6pm
- Parent's Night Fundraiser at the Surf Club: September 28th @6:30pm

JOIN US!! Attend the upcoming meetings and stay involved with the school community, learn about important developments in your child's education, pick up information on our upcoming activities, learn how you can make a difference, and get out of the house for a little fun!

September 25 th , 9:15AM	January 29th, 9:15AM	April 29 th , 9:15AM
October 30 th , 9:15AM	February 26th, 9:15AM	May 27 th , 9:15AM
November 20th, 9:15AM	March 25 th , 9:15AM	

Check us out on <u>www.JESPTO.org</u>! Be in the know on all Jeffrey activities and events, have quick and easy links to important district information, and access membership information and forms- all in one convenient place!

Look for the Good! We are looking forward to sharing acts of kindness and gratitude this year! Learn more at lookforthegoodproject.org!

Ways to Communicate

<u>eNotify</u>

What is eNotify? eNotify is email communication from the offices of the Superintendent and Principal of each school. You will be asked to create a profile used to manage the news updates and email notices you wish to receive. You also have the ability to send calendar reminders to your email and/or cell phone.

Please be sure to sign up for "MPS Email Notices" to receive all communications from the Superintendent. Reminder to IAS Families: Even if you have changed school buildings this year, you will need to adjust your enotify subscriptions on the district website.

Backpack Express

Backpack Express is now only online! Here you will find notices and flyers formerly sent home through the backpack.

JES PTO and Classroom Coordinator Emails

Each classroom has a volunteer classroom coordinator who works with their teacher and the PTO to make sure you know all the great things happening in your classroom. **Each parent should give their contact information to the coordinator at <u>Open House and/or join the PTO</u>! If you don't know who your classroom coordinator is, contact a PTO board member to help you out.**

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