



February 2022

Greetings TJ Families,

Challenge Accepted! – Thomas Jefferson wants to be in first place. The district is asking that all families complete the returning student registration (that only takes 5 minutes). No, there is no prize, but it helps our office staff plan for the fall. Follow this link... <https://www.rcsdk8.org/student-registration> Click on the maroon box in the middle of the page.

Character Trait Assemblies – For February we are working on good citizenship here at TJ. First, ask your child about Sami Circuit's weekly videos that emphasize our character traits. Being a good citizen is demonstrated through appropriate language, cooperation on the playground and respect towards staff and other students.

Safety –Recently there have been many unsafe behaviors before and after school. Please take an extra minute to slow down and make a choice that will keep all of our students safe. We never want to put a child in harm's way.

Morning Announcements – Each morning we have all-school announcements. Motivational Monday; Team Up Tuesdays; We Can Help Wednesday; Thoughtful Thursday and our favorite, Funny Friday! Ask your student what is said.

Library News – Did you hear about our book tasting? We love Mrs. Hirst's creativity. Coming soon we have the Scholastic Book Fair and Read Across America Week. Stray library books at your house?Return borrowed books each week.

MDS Wanted – Do you have about an hour to spare each weekday? We are looking for someone to get paid to hang out at lunch and lunch recess each day! We are down a staff member and would love you to join our team.

SSC – We asked for volunteers to join our School Site Council and English Learner Advisory Committees and some amazing folks are helping us with the Thomas Jefferson School Plan for Student Achievement and School Safety Plan. Our SSC meetings are open to the public, and any member of the public is able to address the council or committee during the meeting on any item within the subject matter jurisdiction of the council or committee (*EC* Section 35147[c][1]) We provide the SSC Agenda 72 hours before the meeting at the school site and online to the public before the time set for the meeting. The SSC meeting will be held March 14th at 2:15pm. We will meet in the multipurpose room at Thomas Jefferson. The School Site Council will gather information to inform the district writing the draft 2023-2024 Local Control Accountability Plan. For more information or questions, please contact the principal, Jennifer Deslaurier at 916-771-1840.

Calendar

February 10th – Family Fun Night! Families from all grades are welcome. Silent auction, Bingo, games, and more!

February 13th – No School: Lincoln's Birthday (different from the high school schedule)

February 20th – No School: Presidents Day (some high schools have the week off, not us)

February 24th – Character Trait Assembly: Citizenship

February 27th-March 3 – Scholastic Book Fair and Read Across America including Spirit Week with dress up days

March 10th – Report Cards go home electronically

March 14th, 2:15pm MPR – SSC Meeting

March 20th-22nd – Fifth Grade to Outdoor Ed at Alliance Redwoods

March 28th and 30th – Starstruck Showcase

Looking for more information? Check out our TJ School Calendar on the school website and our socials!

Thank you for being a part of Thomas Jefferson! We love our Rising Stars!

Mrs. Deslaurier