The Jet Stream

Dear Jacksonville Families,

The weather is starting to finally get cooler outside, but the JES PTA is not following this trend in the least! We are on fire! Our Blood Drive team put on an amazing fall blood drive that will save many lives. Our Green Club chair people, who worked tirelessly last year to renew our Green School status, have beautified the front of our school and have set up Capri Sun and squeezable pouch recycling in our cafeteria. The outreach committee has collected school supplies and Beans and Bread donations to give back to our community. Our Carson Reading Room and cafeteria volunteers have kicked off new initiatives to make lunch more enjoyable and educational for our students. While this sounds like a lot, it is only a snapshot of what has been happening with the JES PTA!

Our families have also shown amazing support to the JES PTA even at this early point in the year. $14,000 has already been contributed to our Jet Fuel Donation Drive! We still have time to reach our goal of $20,000 to silly string Mrs. Miller and Mrs. Mathis at Family STEAM Night. Donations can be made online at www.JESPTA.org or using the attached flier. We also appreciate the families who have joined our PTA and purchased our amazing new spirit wear!

We hope that you will join us at our Family STEAM Night on October 14th from 6:00-8:00 pm. The STEAM committee has been working hard to bring you science, technology, engineering, art and math activities sponsored by The Maryland Science Center, Sylvan Learning, Northrup Grumman, and more! It is sure to be a STEAM-ing good time you won't want to miss!

Warm regards,

Bethany Berkowitz, President *Email: President@JESPTA.org*

UPCOMING PTA EVENTS:

- **October 3rd-17th : Coats, Boot, Sweater and Halloween Costume Drive for Hawthorne Elementary**
- **October 4th 9:05-9:20 am: School Store opens**
- **By Fri. October 13th: Box Tops & Tyson Project A+ labels due to homreoom teachers for our 1st collection of the year.**
- **Wed., October 18th, 9:30-10:30 am: PTA monthly meeting – Room 21- all are welcome (contact: President@JESPTA.org)**
- **Tues, October 25th: Papa John's Pizza Day for JES PTA (4th Tuesday each month)**
- **Wed. Oct. 26th: "Beans & Bread" Breakfast Donation Collection for the Homeless (4th Wednesday each month).**

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JES PTA Annual Fundraising Drive

Thanks you for $14,000 raised to date for our students

Help PTA raise $20,000!!!!

Donations still welcome

Online at JESPTA.org

Check to JES PTA

Visit us at www.JESPTA.org

Follow us on Facebook at Jacksonville Elementary PTA

Follow us on Twitter @JESPTA

JES SCHOOL STORE OPENING ON OCTOBER 4TH

Located in the JES lobby, the store is open before school, 9:05-9:20am, on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday mornings. Two grades are assigned to shop each day. It is run by 5th Grade parents and students (coordinators: Alicia Matesa – almatesa@yahoo.com & Morgan Barrett – morgan.o.barrett@gmail.com). Lots of NEW fun school supply items (novelty pencils, erasers, etc.) range in price from 25¢ to $3. Select Spiritwear also available at the store: yo-yos ($3 each), as well as knit hats & drawstring bags ($10 each). Cash or check to JES PTA accepted.

PTA MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

We are grateful to the 206 parents/guardians and 22 faculty who have joined the JES PTA so far this year! There's still time to join and add your voice to this important partnership between school and family. See membership form at JESPTA.org – annual dues are $10 per member and only $6 for each additional adult in the household, and benefits includes discounts with Staples, LifeLock, Sylvan Learning, Hertz, etc. (Contact: Laurie White winterbean@gmail.com)

GREEN CLUB – TRASH FREE TUESDAYS

Trash Free Tuesdays encourage students to bring lunches that don't generate trash. This is done by using trash free lunch boxes, reusable cloth sandwich or snack bags, and/or reusable containers. How about a reusable water bottle instead of a disposable juice box? Switch from paper napkins to cloth. There are over 50 million students in the U.S. Imagine the trash we could divert if the all switched to trash free lunches?

SQUARE1ART

Look for order packets to come home with your students at the end of October for our Square1Art fundraiser. Your children are hard at work producing their own art masterpieces, which you can then turn into mugs, greeting cards, calendars, magnets, beach bags, mouse pads, water bottles, coaster, or any number of other items, while supporting your PTA at the same time!!!!

PTA COMMUNICATIONS:

The JES PTA's Jetstream **monthly newsletter** is posted on our website JESPTA.org on the 1st Thursday of each month. **Weekly email digests** are sent from jesjetstream@gmail.com to the email addresses in the PTA Directory. **If you wish to receive PAPER COPIES of these PTA communications,** Please send your request to the "PTA President" mailbox in the school office.

PTA MEETINGS:

All JES families and staff are welcome at all meetings. Please contact Bethany Berkowitz if you have an item for the agenda. Minutes are posted at JESPTA.org.

Wed., Oct. 19th, 9:30 am:
Monthly Board Mtg. – all welcome

Tues., Nov. 29th, 6:30 pm
Monthly Board Mtg. – all welcome

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JES PTA OUTREACH UPDATE

Contact: Alicia Matesa - 410-683-0125 - almatesa@yahoo.com

Thank you to our families and staff for your generous donations of **SCHOOL SUPPLIES** last month to help students at our sister school, Hawthorne Elementary in Middle River, MD.

It's Cool to be Kind!

Nominate a Student for "Spotlight on Character". This year we will be focusing on different character traits each month. We will be identifying and celebrating students that exhibit these traits every day. October we will focus on fairness. Email Alicia Matesa at almatesa@yahoo.com if you know of a student who is always FAIR.

OCTOBER 3rd - OCTOBER 17th

Coat, Boot, and Sweater Drive

&

Halloween Costume Collection

Help keep a child warm this winter! We are collecting new and gently used coats, sweaters, and boots for the children at Hawthorne Elementary School. Halloween Costumes will also be collected at the same time this year - donate used or outgrown costumes to the students at Hawthorne ES to help them experience the joy of Trick-or-Treating.

Please place all donations in the yellow bin in the JES Lobby. Thank you!

OCTOBER 26th – "BEANS & BREAD"

Breakfast Donations for the Homeless

4th Wednesday each month

We will be providing *Breakfast Bags* for the Beans & Bread Resource Center this year. Breakfast should consist of entrée (prepackaged bowl of cereal, muffin, Danish, granola bar, etc), a piece of fruit, and a juice box. Label the bag with the entrée. A brown bag will be sent home with your student the day before the collection. We encourage each child to make a breakfast, with their parents, to donate and draw a picture or write a note on the bag. Please feel free to send in as many breakfasts as you wish, especially during the cold winter months. Drop the bags in the collection bags in the JES lobby at arrival.

NOVEMBER OUTREACH ACTIVITIES:

- **November 1-3, 2016:** **Halloween Candy Drive, Dulaney Key Club**
- **November 2 - 21, 2016:** **Thanksgiving Food Drive, Hawthorne ES & JES**
- **November 23, 2016:** **Monthly Beans & Bread Brown Bag Breakfast Collection**
- **Late November:** **Outreach Kids Club – details TBA (Making cards & packing Thanksgiving donations)**

AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT

The JES PTA is sponsoring the following programs to provide after-school enrichment at Jacksonville Elementary this fall for student's grades 1-5 (we plan to include kindergarteners in winter/spring sessions.) A JES PTA participation waiver completed by parent/guardian will be required of registrants. JES PTA contact: Whitney Leber – WEPLeber@comcast.net.

* Young Rembrandts: Drawing Classes for Kids
* Eco-Explorers by Irvine Nature Center
* Sylvan Robotics

See the attached flyers for each program, dates, how to enroll, fees and more.

COMMUNITY INFO:

TLP Spanish Club at Jacksonville Elementary - register with Carroll Manor Recreation Council:
Enroll your student in Spanish Club at Jacksonville today! TLP KIDS, join us for a year of language learning fun with The Language Project. Classes start October 18th and meet weekly on Tuesdays from 8:05-9:05am for level 2 and Wednesday 8:05-9:05 am for level 1. This year we will be offering Explorers (Level 1) and Adventurers (Level 2) to grades K-5. We are so excited to have your student in our dynamic, FUN, active based Spanish Club this year! For more information, see our flyer or visit us at www.languageprojectkids.com.

Baltimore County Board of Education:
October 11th, 2016 7 pm: ESS Building, Greenwood Campus, Towsom

Citizens Advisory Committee for Gifted and Talented Education (Balt. Co.):
Next mtg. is Oct. 5th, 7pm – Greenwood campus (meetings 1st Wednesday of every month during the school year). For more information: https://www.bcps.org/offices/gt/cac.html

Special Education Citizens Advisory Committee:
- Next mtg. is Oct. 12th, 7pm – topic: Common Core/PARCC/Alt. Assessments (Greenwood campus)
- Special Education Resource Center Fall Workshops: http://www.bcps.org/offices/special_ed/pdf/2015_Fall_Workshops.pdf

PTA Council of Baltimore County:
Thur., Oct. 27th, 6 pm: Fall Reception, Workshops & General Mtg. – Pikesville High School

INTERNATIONAL NIGHT

JES Families and Staff are invited to International Night!
Friday, January 20, 2017 (Snow date: January 27th)
International Night is a JES tradition that is held every 2 years that showcases the International connections of our JES families and staff. It's a fun, free event for the entire family sponsored by the PTA. This is great opportunity for families to get involved by representing a country of their choice with pictures, costume, food, activities, entertainment, and more throughout the night. Maybe you have roots in a country, or you recently travelled there, or you just wish to pick a country to get involved. We welcome all hosts and you can pair up with other families too. The students will "travel" through the tables and learn about the various countries, while collecting stickers for their passports. These passports are then used for a free homework night. We'll have cultural entertainment on stage in the cafetorium throughout the night as well.

Does anyone have feedback or suggestions for International Night this year? Do you have suggestions for a cultural performer? We have several families committed to various countries already! Come join us and host a country! Please email colleenkilch@gmail.com.

Feel free to join us for the committee planning meeting, Thursday, October 6th 9:30 am at Collen Kilchenstein's house. Email colleenkilch@gmail.com to RSVP/ get directions.

JES PIZZA DAY: Tuesday, October 25, 2016 – 4th Tuesday every month

You may order for pick up or delivery all day and evening, and ***Papa John's of Jacksonville will donate 15% of the proceeds to the JES PTA.*** Please fill out the bottom portion of this form and hand it to the delivery person **or** the person handling your order at the store. Remember to tell the person taking your order over the phone that you are participating in the JES Pizza Day.
Papa John's of Jacksonville will deliver to the Hunt Valley Station area on JES Pizza Day. Thank you for your support!

PIZZA PAPA JOHN'S
Better Ingredients. Better Pizza.

Jacksonville Store: (410) 666-7272 **www.papajohns.com**

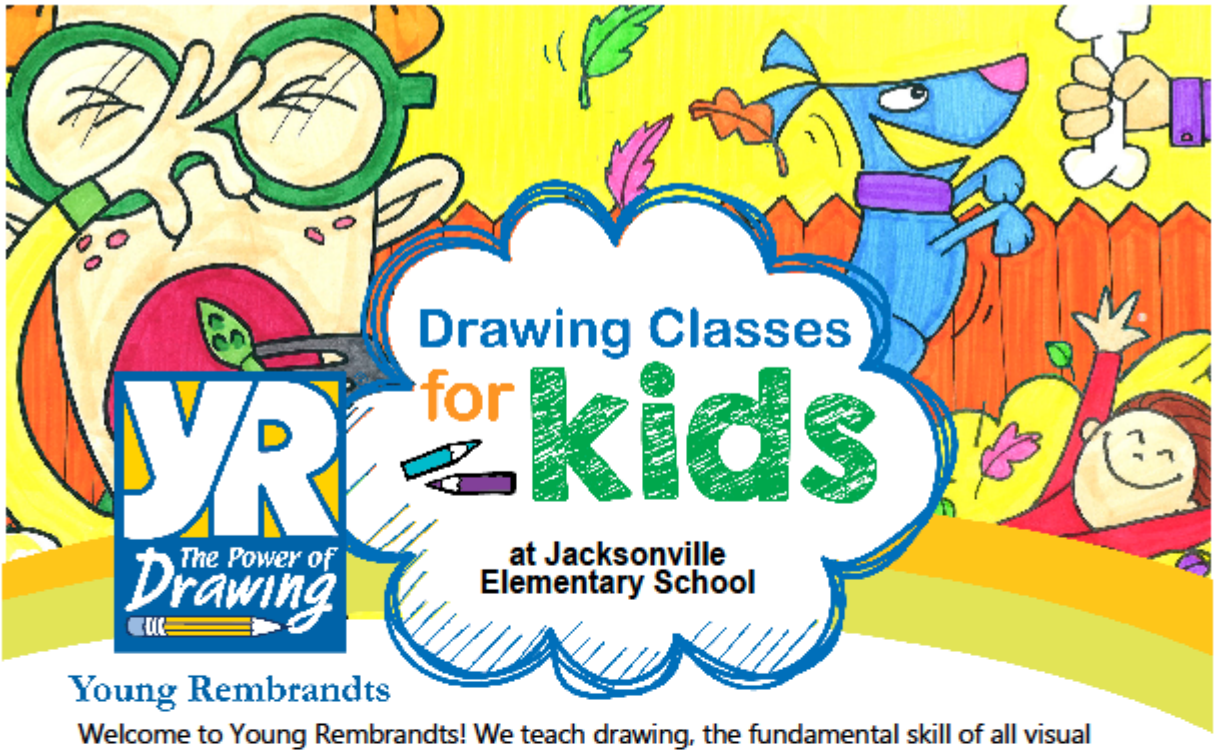
NAME OF STUDENT: _____

GRADE/TEACHER: _____

AMOUNT: _____

SCHOOL: **JACKSONVILLE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PTA**

DATE: **4th Tuesday of every month**



Young Rembrandts

Welcome to Young Rembrandts! We teach drawing, the fundamental skill of all visual arts. We look forward to an exciting season of the **CARTOON** curriculum at Jacksonville Elementary. Our innovative, step-by-step curriculum and engaging subject matter will show your child that drawing can be fun and interesting! During our once-a-week classes, we teach skills that will help them grow, develop and excel while your child creates memories that will last a lifetime. **Seats fill up fast—Sign Up Today!**

classes
Mondays
4:00—5:00pm
10/17/2016 - 11/28/2016

NO CLASS 10/31

tuition
$74.00
(for a 6 Week Session)

PTA Sponsored

enrollment
*** ONLINE ENROLLMENT ONLY at**
www.youngrembrandts.com/baltimore-harford

For Grades 1st - 5th

***Enrollment is only online and is on a first come, first served basis. Class will close once seats are filled so be sure to register soon!**

If you are unable to enroll online, please contact Grace at 443.866.3388 (c) or grace.lee@youngrembrandts.com to make other arrangements.

***PARENT VOLUNTEERS WANTED!** Please be sure to check the parent helper box on the registration form online. We will contact 1-2 parent(s) on a first come basis as needed. Please note: this is a voluntary position and does not involve compensation. Thank you!*

HOW IT WORKS:
We provide all classroom supplies and a qualified and trained instructor.
Classes are held immediately after school. Parents are responsible for transportation at class end.

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Looking for a fun *and* inspiring alternative to after school care for your child?

Irvine's Eco-Explorer Club

Irvine's Eco-Explorer Club offers an enriching opportunity for kids to be active outdoors, discover nature and continue learning long after the school bell rings. With daily activities such as live animal encounters, science experiments, nature crafts and exploring the outdoors, your child will engage all their senses and establish a valuable connection with the natural world.

All grades meet at Jacksonville Elementary, 3400 Hillendale Heights Road, Phoenix, MD 21131.

Grades: 1-2

Dates: Thursdays, October 20 – December 1 (No class on November 24.)

Time: 4 – 5 p.m.

Price: $72 for 6 sessions

Topic: Mad Scientists

Grades: 3-5

Dates: Mondays, October 17 – November 28 (No class on October 31.)

Time: 4 – 5 p.m.

Price: $72 for 6 sessions

Topic: Nature Engineers

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Questions? Ready to Register?
Contact Tara by email LilleyT@ExploreNature.org, or call her at 443-738-9222. Register at http://bit.do/Eco-Explorers.

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Sylvan EDGE

NEW from Sylvan: ROBOTICS

BUILD ROBOTS,
BUILD FRIENDSHIPS,
BUILD CONFIDENCE!

FOR GRADES 1–5

Build a love for STEM with Robotics at Sylvan! In this fun course, your child will learn how to build and program robots – all while making friends, developing new skills and having a blast with STEM.

Your child will enjoy the:

Hands-on projects building and animating LEGO® robots.

Creative exercises that develop critical thinking skills and encourage an early love for STEM.

Enjoy the energy of **small group teamwork**.

Unique curriculum that aligns with STEM education.

6 SESSION COURSE: $125

Exclusive After School Program for Jacksonville Elementary!!! Wednesdays,
10/19, 10/26, 11/2, 11/9, 11/16, 11/30
4:00 to 5:00 PM
(No Class on 11/23)

Two Groups Available Grades 1-3 Session & Grades 4-5 Session
Maximum of 12 students in each group.

Head over to my.sylvanlearning.com to sign up today!

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GET AN EDGE!

Jacksonville Elementary
Jet Fuel PTA Annual Fundraising Drive

Dear JES Families,

As we enter another year of excellence in education, we ask for your support of the Jet Fuel direct donation drive to take Jacksonville Elementary to the next level!

Jet Fuel is the primary PTA fundraiser this year. 100 percent of your donation supports the JES PTA, and is tax-deductible. With your contribution toward our $20,000 Jet Fuel goal, we will be able to support the development of future-ready students.

We are requesting a donation of $50.00 per student, though donations of any amount are appreciated and extremely helpful! Corporate donations are also welcome, so please ask employers about matching gift programs.

Kindly use the form below and attached envelope to send your donation to the JES office. Donations are also accepted at www.JESPTA.org.

Thank you for helping build our future!

With gratitude,
Bethany Berkowitz, President
Jay Weiner, Vice President, Ways and Means

YOUR PTA DONATION PROVIDES:

Innovative Teaching Tools and Science Fair Support

Support for Teachers and Grade Teams

PE Equipment, Art and Music Supplies, Library Resources and Carson Reading Room Materials

School Clubs Including a New Drama Club, Green School, and More!

Cultural Assemblies and Field Trips, Staff Appreciation, and Outreach Projects to Children and Families in Need

The JES PTA is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization and your donation is tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law. Please keep this letter and your canceled check as your receipt. For a donation over $250, the JES PTA will issue a receipt to you.

Jacksonville Elementary Jet Fuel: JES PTA ANNUAL FUNDRAISING DRIVE

Suggested 2016-2017 donation: $50.00 per student

Please complete this form and return with your check (payable to "JES PTA") to JES at your earliest convenience

Thank you for helping our students soar!

Parents'/Guardians' Name(s)	Amount Contributed
Street Address	Telephone Number
City, ZIP	Email Address
Student's Name(s)	Grade(s)
Student's Name(s)	Grade(s)

FAMILY STEAM NIGHT

HANDS-ON FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY WITH
SCIENCE ◆ TECHNOLOGY ◆ ENGINEERING ◆ ART ◆ MATHEMATICS

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 14TH

6:00 - 8:00 P.M. at JES

ACTIVITIES PROVIDED BY:

Maryland Science Center ◆ Sylvan Learning

Northrop Grumman ◆ Master Gardeners ◆ and more!

Be creative in the JES Maker Lab ◆ Be innovative with Ozobots

All children must be accompanied by parents/guardians.

FREE FOR JES FAMILIES & STAFF ◆ SPONSORED BY JES PTA
CHICK-FIL-A & PIZZA AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

Volunteers needed! Please sign up at www.JESPTA.org
Co-chairs: Christina Michael (cmichael0609@verizon.net) & Whitney Leber (WEPLeber@comcast.net)

BOX TOPS AND TYSON PROJECT A+ 2016-2017

Help JES PTA earn $2500+ this year!

Thursday, October 13th: Collection Due Date & Contest Kickoff!

Which homeroom will bring in the most Box Tops & Tyson Project A+?

CLIP these from your groceries and SEND to your homeroom teacher in baggies/envelopes or on collection sheets all year long for our contest. Contest collection due dates: Oct. 13th, Dec. 13th, Feb. 9th, & April 20th (Final June 1st collection counts for 2017-2018)

Prize for EVERY collection:

- The top 3 homerooms get to choose from our RECESS GEAR PRIZE BIN!
- Select from board games, soccer balls, & more! Special prizes for winning teachers, too!

Prizes for our cumulative year-long contest:

- Top homeroom gets to SILLY STRING A TEACHER and wins extra recess!
- Top 3 homerooms this year each win a tote full of new recess gear!
- All of JES wins! PTA received over $2500 last year – wow!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

- Earn 10¢ for our school every time you clip & send in a Box Top – or even more with Bonus Box Tops.
- Participating products include Annie's, General Mills, Cascadian Farms, Betty Crocker, Kleenex, Ziploc, Scott, Hefty, Progresso…and many more!
- See full list of participating products at www.BTFE.com (plus coupons, etc.).
- Check your grocery receipts/coupons for eBoxTops coupons and Bonus Box Tops!
- Send the Box Tops to your child's homeroom teacher in baggies or envelopes or glued/taped to a Box Tops collection sheet. (Box Tops must show a valid expiration date, alpha code & logo. Please do not staple.)

TYSON CHICKEN PROJECT A+

- Tyson Project A+ labels are worth 24¢ each to JES!
- See full product list and more at http://projectaplus.tyson.com/

DISCONTINUED: The Labels for Education program (Campbell's Soup, etc.) has ended.
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