

## Winooski Trees!

The Winooski Tree Committee is hosting the 1st annual Win-Win Winooski Tree Contest as part of Arbor Day this year. Arbor Day is on May 7th, and is a day to celebrate trees and the many ways they are helpful. The committee is accepting nominations in three different categories:

1. Sizeable Circumference (AKA Tickets Trunk)
2. Beautiful Bark
3. Coolest Conifer

Here are the rules:

1. The tree has to be in the city of Winooski
2. The tree can be on public or private property. It does not have to be on your own property. If you go onto someone else's property be sure to ask permission first.
3. Judging is at the discretion of the judges, who are members of the Winooski Tree Committee.
4. The contest closes on Friday, May 6th.

You can submit nominations via this google form:

<https://forms.gle/6i8xZw8A7PvdADHj6>

If you have any questions, feel free to email the Winooski Tree Committee at [winooskitrees@gmail.com](mailto:winooskitrees@gmail.com)

The Winooski Tree Committee is a group of volunteers who partner with the Winooski Department of Public Works to plan for, monitor, and plant a healthy urban forest.

## Annual Surveys

Each spring, I ask our families, students and staff to complete a survey. The survey asks about the culture and climate at JFK, educational practices, and communication.

Each student completes the student survey in their classroom. Older students complete the survey independently, and younger students complete it 1:1 with an adult.

The entire JFK staff is asked to complete the staff survey before they leave for the summer.

All of our families are also asked to fill out a family survey. So far we have had 27 families complete the survey this year.

The information that we gather from the surveys is vital to shaping our work for the next school year. Each June the JFK Leadership team looks at the new data from each survey, looks for trends within the multi-year data, and develops plans for the coming school year.

It is very important that all of our families complete the survey. You can access it online:

<https://forms.gle/TpfaBiWW3rutNXGa9>

or fill out the paper copy attached to this newsletter.

We want to hear your voice and opinions. Please take a few minutes to complete the Family Survey.

## Calendar/Upcoming Events

### Monday, May 3, 2021

All students in person learning  
Incoming Kindergarten Info Session  
1pm

### Tuesday, May 4, 2021

All students in person learning

### Wednesday, May 5, 2021

All students remote learning  
Veggie Van Go

### Thursday, May 6, 2021

All students in person learning

### Friday, May 7, 2021

All students in person learning

### Saturday, May 8, 2021

Incoming Kindergarten Info Session  
1pm

### Monday, May 10, 2021

All students in person learning

### Tuesday, May 11, 2021

All students in person learning

### Wednesday, May 12, 2021

All students remote learning  
Veggie Van Go

### Thursday, May 13, 2021

No School

### Friday, May 14, 2021

All students in person learning

### Monday, May 17, 2021

All students in person learning

### Tuesday, May 18, 2021

All students in person learning

### Wednesday, May 19, 2021

All students remote learning

### Thursday, May 20, 2021

## Incoming Kindergarten Students

We are getting ready for next year's Kindergarten students! I held a Kindergarten Information Zoom for our English speaking families before vacation. I will be holding two more informational Zooms for families on Monday, May 3rd at 1pm and Saturday, May 8th at 1pm. The Zoom links and more information is on the WSD Website under the Kindergarten page.

We will be holding Kindergarten Screening this year on Wednesday, June 9th. Children who will be five years of age prior to September 1, 2021, should attend this screening. Kindergarten registration and screening will be at School on Wednesday June 9 8:00-1:30. Please call the J.F.K. office at 655-0411 to make an appointment. All appointments are 45 minutes.

Please bring your student, student's birth certificate, (or I-94 if your child was born in a country that doesn't issue birth certificates), updated immunization record, your student's Social Security number, and proof of residency to the appointment. While your incoming kindergarten student is being screened, families will have time to complete the online registration if they have not done so already and fill out a sheet to help us learn about your student.

If you have an incoming Kindergarten student and cannot come to the screening on June 9th, please call the JFK office. We will take your information and one of the Kindergarten teachers will contact you to make alternative plans.

Please call the JFK office with any questions.

## Summer School

JFK will be running Summer School during the month of July this summer.

Summer School will run for all incoming K-5 students:  
Mondays 8am - 2:30pm  
Tuesdays 8am - 12pm  
Wednesdays 8am - 2:30 pm  
Thursdays 8am - 12:30pm  
For the weeks of:

July 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th  
July 12th, 13th, 14th, and 15th  
July 19th, 20th, 21st, and 22nd  
July 26th, 27th, 28th, and 29th

Thrive will be available for students after summer school each day for families that sign up. Families can sign up by going to the City of Winooski website and finding the application on the Thrive page. The form is also attached as a paper copy to this week's newsletter.

We are currently working with community partners to develop project based learning for students. This means that students will be off campus on Mondays and Wednesday for place based, outdoor learning experiences. Students will be transported by bus from JFK to the community partner site on Mondays and Wednesdays.

During Parent Teacher conferences, your student(s) teacher may have talked to you about summer school. This year's opportunities are going to make summer school fantastic and engaging for our students. If you have not signed your student up for summer school yet but want to, please complete the attached form and return it to your student's classroom teacher by May 7th.

All students in person learning

**Friday, May 21, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Monday, May 24, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Tuesday, May 25, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Wednesday, May 26, 2021**

All students remote learning

**Thursday, May 27, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Friday, May 28, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Monday, May 31, 2021**

No School

**Tuesday, June 1, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Wednesday, June 2, 2021**

All students remote learning

Veggie Van Go

**Thursday, June 3, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Friday, June 4, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Monday, June 7, 2021**

All students in person learning

All School Celebration

**Tuesday, June 8, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Wednesday, June 9, 2021**

All students remote learning

**Thursday, June 10, 2021**

All students in person learning

**Friday, June 11, 2021**

All students in person learning

Move Up Day

Last Day of School

11am Dismissal



# WINOOSKI SCHOOLS

*We are the future.*

## 2020-21 JFK Family Survey

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

I have students in grades:

- Pre Kindergarten
- Kindergarten
- 1st Grade
- 2nd Grade
- 3rd Grade
- 4th Grade
- 5th Grade

1. Do you feel welcome at JFK?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

2. Do you feel your opinions are valued at JFK?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

3. Do you feel that you are treated fairly at JFK?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

4. Do you feel accepted for who you are at JFK?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

5. Do you feel JFK is safe?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

6. How satisfied are you with the education at JFK?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

7. How often do you read to your child/children or how often do they read on their own at home?

- Often (Daily)
- Sometimes (weekly)
- Rarely (monthly)
- Never
- Other:

8. How often do you talk to your child/children about school?

- Often (Daily)
- Sometimes (weekly)
- Rarely (monthly)
- Never
- Other:

9. Do you feel that school communicated important information to you?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

10. How do you receive communication from your student's teacher/ers about what is going on in the classroom?

- Weekly Newsletter
- Class Dojo
- WSD Website
- Emails
- Phone calls

Liaison

Other:

11. Do you see and read the papers that go home in your child's backpack?

- Always
- Often
- Sometimes
- Never

12. Did you attend Fall Parent Teacher Conference?

- Yes
- No
- Other

13. Did you attend Spring Parent Teacher Conferences?

- Yes
- No
- Other:

14. Any other feedback you would like to give us about the 2020-21 school year?

## 2021 Summer School Sign Up

We are running summer school for four weeks. Mondays and Wednesdays Summer School will run 8am - 2:30pm and students will be off campus. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, summer school runs 8am - 12pm and students will be on the JFK campus for the day. Thrive will be available for students each day after summer school for families that have signed up through the city.

Families can sign up for as many weeks that work for your family - 1 week, 2 weeks, 3 weeks, or all 4 weeks! Once we have an idea of how many students want to participate in summer school, we will communicate with families which week(s) your student will attend. We will do our best to keep siblings attending the same weeks.

Please let us know which week(s) you would like your student to attend summer school. Rate the weeks in the order of preference for attendance with 1 being the week you would most like your student to attend summer school. If you do not want your student to attend a specific week, please choose that option.

Name of Adult filling out this form: \_\_\_\_\_ Name of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

2021-22 Grade of Student: \_\_\_\_\_

Other students in your family that already attend school in WSD \_\_\_\_\_

Does your student have any allergies and/or health needs? \_\_\_\_\_

July 5th, 6th , 7th, and 8th

- 1st Choice
- 2nd Choice
- 3rd Choice
- 4th Choice
- Do not want to sign up for this week

July 19th, 20th , 21st, and 22nd

- 1st Choice
- 2nd Choice
- 3rd Choice
- 4th Choice
- Do not want to sign up for this week

July 12th, 13th , 14th, and 15th

- 1st Choice
- 2nd Choice
- 3rd Choice
- 4th Choice
- Do not want to sign up for this week

July 26th, 27th , 28th, and 29th

- 1st Choice
- 2nd Choice
- 3rd Choice
- 4th Choice
- Do not want to sign up for this week

Is there anything else we need to know about your student to get ready for summer school? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you plan to sign up for Summer Thrive?

- Yes
- No
- Maybe



**Thrive Summer Vacation Camps Enrollment Form**

**Child Information**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_

Gender \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher (2020-2021) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade (2020-2021) \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Language (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

**Medical conditions, on-going medications, physical limitations, or other restrictions:**

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Dietary Restrictions or Allergies \_\_\_\_\_

My Child's Primary Care Physician \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

My Child's Dental Care Provider \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Information:**

Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Child \_\_\_\_\_

Street Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Parent Phone 2 \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Primary Language (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_



**Emergency Contacts (cannot be parent/guardian, must provide 2):**

**Who can we call if there is an emergency with your child and parents cannot be reached?**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Child Pick Up Permission**

**Who may pick up your child, besides parents/guardians? (Optional, list as many as you would like)**

1. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

3. Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**General Permissions**

My Child has permission to walk home without an authorized adult.

**Yes**    **No**    **Call Home First**   Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

My Child has permission to participate in walking field trips, both on and off the school grounds.

**Yes**    **No**   Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

My child has permission to participate in field trips outside of the school requiring transportation by vehicle (including school buses, City-owned vehicles, public transit, and staff cars).

**Yes**    **No**   Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

The City of Winooski has permission to take and use photographs or videos that may be used for newsletters, family communication, or program promotion.

**Yes**    **No**   Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_





My child has permission to watch PG-rated movies.

**Yes**     **No**    Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

My child has permission to participate in swimming, wading, or other water activities.

**Yes**     **No**    Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

Staff have permission to administer over-the-counter medications such as pain reliever, cough medication, or others.

**Yes**     **No**    Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

Staff have permission to administer or supervise the use of topical treatments such as sunscreen, bug repellent, lotions, antiseptic for small wounds, or other over-the-counter products.

**Yes**     **No**    Additional Notes \_\_\_\_\_

**Waiver and Release**

I am fully aware of the risks inherent and hereby give my consent for my child, named above, to participate in Thrive Vacation Camp. I agree to hold harmless the City of Winooski and its employees, elected officials, and any paid or volunteer staff from any and all liability for any injuries, claims, costs, or losses of service which might be incurred by participation in activities or events of said program. I understand that medical insurance coverage is not provided. Permission is hereby granted for the participant to receive emergency treatment, including transport, if needed, and I authorize the attending physician to administer any necessary medical attention. I authorize the Program to obtain my child's Immunization Records via the Vermont Immunization Registry. I certify that there are no physical, medical, or other limitations for this participant, except as stated above. I have read this document carefully and sign it voluntarily, with full knowledge and understanding of its significance.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_



**Thrive Summer Vacation Camp Weeks**

(check all weeks that you would like to sign up for)

- Week of 6/21 – Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM (\$160/child)
- Week of 6/28 – Monday – Thursday, 8 AM – 5 PM *(No Camp Friday July 2)* (\$100/child)
- Week of 7/5 – Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM (\$160/child)
- Week of 7/12 – Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM (\$160/child)
- Week of 7/21 – Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM (\$160/child)
- Week of 7/28 – Monday – Friday, 8 AM – 5 PM (\$160/child)

**Payment Agreement**

Are you interested in applying for financial assistance from Child Care Resource to cover the cost of Thrive?

- Yes       No

My total payment will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, you agree to the fees for the program and our policies regarding payment, payment plans, and conditions on continued enrollment. To change your enrollment or reflect changes to financial status including changes to child care subsidy, please contact the Program Director immediately. Families with outstanding balances from previous Thrive programs will not be eligible to enroll unless there are regular payments being made on a payment plan.

**Parent/Guardian Signature** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Email or call: [thrive@winooski.vt.gov](mailto:thrive@winooski.vt.gov) – 802 233 8188. Please return all forms to Thrive After School Program, Winooski City Hall, 27 West Allen St. Winooski, VT 05404. You may also email scanned copies or clearly legible photos of this completed form to [thrive@winooski.vt.gov](mailto:thrive@winooski.vt.gov).

