

# JFK Weekly Newsletter

Friday November 5, 2021 Sara Raabe, JFK Principal

## Picture Retakes

Picture Retake Day will be Tuesday, November 9th.

## Parent Teacher Conferences

Each November, JFK holds our fall parent teacher conferences. Students will be dismissed at 11 am on November 18th and 19th for conferences. This year conferences will be held over Zoom.

On November 17th, your student(s) will bring home their trimester one report card. JFK report cards are standards based report cards. This means that our report cards are designed to show student progress towards reaching a standard. We use a 1 to 4 scale. A 1 means your student requires assistance with the standard, a 2 means your student is progressing towards meeting the standard, a 3 means your student is meeting the standard, and a 4 means your student is exceeding the standard.

We all know that the pandemic has had an impact on everyone. Schools across the country are seeing the effects of the pandemic on our students, both academically and socially. At JFK, we meet all of our students where they are at and work to ensure they make appropriate gains. Our report cards standards have not changed to reflect the impact we are seeing. We have high expectations for all of our students, and we work hard to ensure that everyone is getting what they need.

What this means for your student's report card is that you may see different numbers than you are used to. If you see 1's or 2's on your student's report card, please keep in mind that all of us are working to mitigate the impact of the pandemic. We are committed to working hard to ensure that your student(s) make academic and social gains this year.

If your student(s) is in grades Kindergarten, 1st, 2nd, and/or 3rd grade, you will also receive a DIBELS report. DIBELS stands for Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills. DIBELS was developed to measure early literacy skills related to reading outcomes for students. At JFK, we use it to look at individual student's early literacy skills and measure their growth. The report you will receive is the results of your student's fall DIBELS assessment.

During your parent teacher conference, the teacher will be able to answer any questions you may have about your student(s) report card and/or their DIBELS report. They will also talk to you about what they see with your student(s) in the classroom. Please look through the report card and/or the DIBELS report before your conference, and come to the conference with any questions you may have. Our students are the most successful when home and school work together to support them.

## Drop Off and Pick Up

Our drop off and pick up procedures have started to become routine for people. The car lines are moving faster each day. It is vital that:

1. If you need to get out of your car at drop off or pick up to help your student, please park in the lot and have your student walk from there. People that are in the car loop should be able to let students out without assistance.
2. When you pull in for drop off and pick up, please pull as far forward as possible. When cars stop at the turn into the car line (by the bus) to let students out in the morning, it backs the car line up onto Main Street
3. At pick up, when you tell the school staff member who you are there to pick up, please tell us your student's full name and grade level.

Thank you for all of you help in making things work for everyone!

## Important Dates

Tuesday, November 9, 2021

*Picture Retakes*

Thursday, November 18, 2021

*11:00am Early Dismissal*

*JFK Parent Teacher Conferences via Zoom*

Friday, November 19, 2021

*11:00am Early Dismissal*

*JFK Parent Teacher Conferences via Zoom*

Monday, November 22, 2021

*No School*

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

*No School*

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

*No School*

Thursday, November 25, 2021

*No School*

Friday, November 26, 2021

*No School*

Wednesday, December 15, 2021

*12:15 Early Dismissal*







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