

# JFK Weekly Newsletter

Friday, November 11, 2022 Sara Raabe, JFK Principal

## Math Curriculum

We are excited to announce that we are working with a new Math program from Kindergarten through 5th grade. Illustrative Math is a problem-based, rigorous curriculum that makes math accessible for all. It allows learners to deepen their knowledge and to extend their thinking. We have access to both print and digital lesson plans that carry out a routine each day of warm-up, activity, synthesis, and cool-down. The topics we are focusing on for the beginning of the school year are:

- Kindergarten - Math in Our World
- 1st Grade - Adding, Subtracting and Working with Data
- 2nd Grade - Adding, Subtracting and Working with Data
- 3rd Grade - Introducing Multiplication
- 4th Grade - Factors and Multiples
- 5th Grade - Finding Volume

If you would like to learn more about Illustrative Math, go to [illustrativemathematics.org](https://illustrativemathematics.org)

## JFK Parent Teacher Conferences

On November 17th and 18th, JFK will have our fall parent-teacher conferences. Fall conferences are a great way to share information about your student, talk about how they are adjusting to the new school year, share any celebrations, and ask any questions you may have.

Fall conferences are also a time for your student's teacher to share how your student is doing in school so far. As a school, we strive to educate the whole child. This means that your student's teacher will share how they are doing academically, socially, and emotionally.

One assessment that your student's teacher will share with you is the DIBELS. DIBELS stands for *Dynamic Indicators of Basic Early Literacy Skills*. All students, grades K-5, are given the DIBELS. This assessment is used to measure how students are doing on important reading skills. The entire assessment is fast, each part of the test only takes about a minute. The information we get from the assessment is invaluable and helps to guide our instruction and intervention for students.

As you get ready to come to conferences, talk to your student about how school is going, and any questions or concerns they may have. Our students are the most successful when home and school

work together to support them,

## Calendar

Thursday, November 17, 2022

11:00 Early Release for all students

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Friday, November 18, 2022

11:00 Early Release for all students

JFK Parent Teacher Conferences

Monday, November 21 - Friday, November 25

No School

Thanksgiving





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