

JFK Weekly Newsletter

Thursday, June 14, 2023 Sara Raabe, JFK Principal

That's A Wrap!

It is hard to believe that the 2022-23 school year is ending today! JFK Elementary has had a busy, wonderful school year. When students returned in September, almost everyone was in their final spaces in our beautiful new building. It didn't take long for the final moves to happen, and for everyone to be in their final space. The students were so excited to see the new spaces, explore the new library, and hear the fantastic acoustics in the main lobby.

Along with a brand new building, JFK implemented two new curriculums this year. Our EL Education Curriculum transformed our student's English Language Arts learning this year. Each student was engaged in work that was challenging, adventurous, and meaningful. This engaging curriculum meant that learning and achievement flourish. Students learned about science and social studies in depth, expanding their academic vocabulary and their background knowledge. This rich learning then supported high quality reading and writing by all our students.

We also adopted a new math curriculum this year. Illustrative Mathematics is a rigorous, problem-solving mathematical curriculum. The cohesive and sequenced learning experiences supported all JFK students in growing as mathematicians. Our students were pushed to explain and justify their math thinking and problem-solving, solve things in multiple ways, and engage in rich mathematical conversations.

All of this new, rigorous learning by students meant that our school adults had to work extra hard to plan and implement two new curriculums with integrity. The incredibly hard work and dedication to all our students that our adults exhibited this year were inspirational.

As we end the 2022-23 school year, I am so incredibly grateful for and proud of our JFK community.

End Of The Year All School Celebration

The All School Celebration was a hit! The students and staff had an amazing day together. We swam, played, and relaxed together. It was a perfect way to end the 2023-24 school year.

A HUGE thank you to Savanna Bechard for all her behind-the-scenes work that made the day work.

Thank you to all the families who volunteered to spend part or all of their day with us. It was wonderful to share the day with all of you.

Family School Climate Survey

This year we are asking families to help provide input regarding our Layer 1 behavior support systems in our school. We are using what is called the School Climate Survey, or the SCS, to do this.

The School Climate Survey for Families is a Feedback and Input Survey where families help school teams learn about the experiences family members have with the behavior support systems surrounding their students. Families can share their experiences in their own words. School teams will use the results to improve the effectiveness, efficiency, equity, and sustainability of their Layer 1 PBIS (Positive Behavior Intervention and Support) systems. The survey is 19 yes/no and 11 open-ended questions which should take about 10 minutes to complete. All responses are completely anonymous. We have no way to connect you to your answers, and results will only be reported as group responses. There are no right or wrong answers. We want to know about your personal experiences.

This survey will be open from **March 6, 2023, to June 13, 2023.**

The link to complete the Family School Climate Survey is:

<https://www.pbisassessment.org/Anon/vD02087q400>

Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey.

Calendar

June 15

Last Student Day

12:15 pm Dismissal





June 17

Graduation



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