Letter from the JES PTA President:

Dear Jacksonville families and staff,

As the school year comes to a close, we wanted to take a moment to extend our heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you for your incredible support throughout the year. It has been an extraordinary journey, and your dedication and involvement have made a tremendous difference in our school community.

We are grateful for the unwavering commitment and active participation of our families. Your support at our events, fundraisers, and activities has been invaluable. Together, we have created memorable experiences, fostered a strong sense of community, and provided enriching opportunities for our children.

I would like to express a special thank you to our exceptional volunteers who have dedicated their time, energy, and expertise to make our initiatives successful. Your tireless efforts have helped us organize events that have brought joy, learning, and togetherness to our school community. Your unwavering support has made a lasting impact on our students.

Looking ahead to the next school year, we have an exciting lineup of activities and initiatives planned. We will continue to focus on fostering a collaborative learning environment and creating opportunities for our children to thrive. Some of the highlights for the upcoming year include continuing our after-school clubs, organizing new student events, and hosting community-wide events that celebrate the diversity and talents within our school community.

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UPCOMING JES PTA EVENTS

JES & JES PTA Calendar  ◆  BCPS Calendar  ◆  JES Menus

June 2  9:30am-12:30pm Fifth Grade Field Day – [info here]
June 3  7:30pm Aladdin Kids at Hereford High School
By June 6  RSVP for June 8th JES PTA General Membership Meeting
June 8  6:30pm JES PTA General Membership Meeting
Location: Moog residence & virtual – see page 4
June 9  9:25am JES Hallway Parade for JES Retirees
7-10pm JES PTA Adult Event at Big Truck Farm Brewery
June 12  10am Grade 5 Farewell Ceremony
JES 1:05pm Dismissal – Schools Close 3 Hours Early
June 13  JES 1:05pm Dismissal – Schools Close 3 Hours Early
Last Day of School for Students and Teachers
July 24  5-8pm Prigel Creamery fundraiser for JES PTA

See JES PTA Summer Playgroups for new JES students on page 9

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To make these initiatives a success, we need your continued support and involvement. Whether it’s volunteering your time, sharing your skills, or contributing your ideas, your participation is vital. We encourage you to join our PTA meetings, follow our social media platforms, and stay connected through our newsletters to stay informed about upcoming events and ways you can contribute.

As the summer break approaches, I wish you and your families a restful and rejuvenating time together. Cherish the moments spent with loved ones, and take this opportunity to recharge and create lasting memories. We are excited to welcome you back next year, as we embark on a new chapter of growth, collaboration, and community engagement.

Once again, thank you for being an integral part of our school community. Your support and dedication make a significant impact on our children’s educational journey. Together, we will continue to create a nurturing and inclusive environment where every child can thrive.

With sincere gratitude,
Matt Price – President@JESPTA.org
JES current and incoming parents/guardians as well as staff and community members are all welcome for a great kickoff to summer! Contact: Matt Price - President@JESPTA.org

Purchase tickets online here (ticket sale extended through June 9th):
https://jesptaphoenix.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/233108
“Aladdin Kids”
Performance by JES Students
Saturday, June 3rd, 7:30pm
Hereford High School
The CCP Drama Club held after school at JES offered a performance of “Aladdin Kids” by a cast of JES students on Saturday, June 3rd, at Hereford High School.

Congratulations to the entire cast on an amazing show!!!

JES PTA General Membership Meeting
Thursday, June 8th, 6:30pm
All JES parents/caregivers & staff are welcome!
Location: Moog family home - 14009 Foxland Rd., Phoenix, MD
Please park on the street.

RSVP here by June 6th if you plan to attend in person:
https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080D44AAAA2DA02-jespta3

Google Meet Video Call Link: https://meet.google.com/csv-zhnq-zru
Or dial: (US) +1 515-518-6981 PIN: 621 981 711#
More phone numbers: https://tel.meet/csv-zhnq-zru?pin=5038284097650

Contact: Matt Price – president@jespta.org

’23-’24 SCHOOL SUPPLY KIT SALE
Sale info is coming very soon and will be posted here:
https://jesptaphoenix.membershiptoolkit.com/form/m/234782

Contact: Whitney Leber – wepleber@comcast.net

JES is hiring!
The school is looking to hire a cafeteria assistant and additional adult assistants. The cafeteria position would be about 3 hours a day from 11:15am-1:15pm, and the adult assistant positions would be for the full school day. For more information, please call JES and ask to speak with Ms. Mathis (Assistant Principal) – 443-809-7880 or email: mmathis2@bcps.org.
THANK you!

JES PTA is so grateful to all who attended, contributed, and volunteered to make this event possible for our students! Special thanks to our amazing Carnival planning team as well as Principal Miller and the Bus Stop Pops for the dunkings and Nurse DuCroix for being such a good sport!
THE JES COMMUNITY CONGRATULATES JES RETIREES

Ms. Bensen, Kindergarten Teacher
Ms. Kunkel, Grade 3 Teacher
Ms. Sullivan, School Counselor
Ms. Terry, Library Media Specialist

On Friday, June 9th (9:25am), JES students will have an opportunity to say farewell to these teachers and staff members during a “Hallway Parade” at JES.

Students are invited to wear JES blue or spiritwear and bring a card or a flower for any of the retirees. (all optional, of course)
As we wrap up this school year the PTA is doing some pre-planning for the 2023-2024 School Year! Below is a list of current volunteer needs. Please contact Stephanie Gewont if they interest you: vpvolunteers@jespta.org.

Don’t see something that interests you?!?! Reach out to and we can find the right fit! Building connections between families, students, and Jacksonville is key to everyone’s success!

- **Assemblies Chair**: assist in identifying, coordinating, and planning for school assemblies for grade levels and school-wide assemblies.
- **Cafeteria Chair**: coordinate volunteer support for the lunchroom through a signup. Each day volunteers are needed for two 1 hour 15 min. shifts.
- **Enrichment Co-Chair**: assist in planning/organizing before and after school programs for JES students.
- **Reflections Chair**: advertise the National PTA art contest, collect work, and communicate with the contest director.
- **School Store Co-Chair**: assist in purchasing and coordinating parents to run the school store.
- **Silent Auction Co-Chair**: assist in planning and coordinating a silent auction at an upcoming Adult Night.
- **Spring Carnival Chairs**: assist in organizing & implementing the Spring Carnival.
Join JES friends for a Summer Ice Cream Social!

Monday, July 24th
5:00-8:00 p.m.
Prigel Family Creamery
4852 Long Green Rd, Glen Arm, MD 21057

Present this on your phone or paper at the retail counter and Prigel will donate 20% to JES PTA!

Thank you for your support!
JES NEW STUDENT SUMMER PLAYGROUPS

Summer is a great time to make new friends! Families of incoming kindergartners and new students are invited to get together on the Jacksonville Elementary playgrounds on the following dates (weather permitting).

*Bathrooms are not available*

Thursday, July 20th
6:30-7:30pm

Saturday, August 5th
9:30-10:30am

Friday, August 11th
4:00-5:00pm

Sign up here for Playgroup updates: https://tinyurl.com/bdr5ftjf

Playgroup questions: Rachel Gibson – rachelvgibson@gmail.com
General contacts: Matt Price - President@JESPTA.org or Stephanie Gewont - vpvolunteers@jespta.org
SUMMER CAMPS

Not affiliated with JES or JES PTA

- **SEEDS NATURE CAMP** at JES by CMRC with Ms. Kwoka & Ms. Epple – [register here](#)
- **ART CAMP** at JES by CMRC with Ms. Barton – [register here](#) (see info on next page)
- **GALS WITH GOALS** – [info here](#) – sponsored & hosted by 4 Corners Fitness with Ms. Figola

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**SEEDS NATURE CAMP**

What is SEEDS Nature Camp?
Join us for a hands-on investigation into the natural world around us as we learn about habitats, create new things from recycled goods, and explore ways we can make greener choices for our environment!

Where will this AWESOME camp be?
Jacksonville Elementary School, 3400 Hillendale Heights Road
SEEDS is run by elementary teachers Amelia Kwoka and Kathy Epple. Please e-mail [abeever@bcps.org](mailto:abeever@bcps.org) with any questions!

Offered Sessions

$150 per session (go to [https://stonealley.com/Program/CMRC](https://stonealley.com/Program/CMRC))
All sessions are identical so please choose one!
Registration will open Mid-March.
(NO REFUNDS)
*Offered to children entering grades 1-6
Campers will need a water bottle and tennis shoes!

- **Session One**
  June 26th-30th
  9:00am-12:00pm

- **Session Two**
  July 10th-14th
  9:00am-12:00pm

- **Session Three**
  August 7th-11th
  9:00am-12:00pm
CMRC Camp at JES:

Jacksonville Art Camp

Directors:
Laura Barton- Jacksonville Elementary Art Teacher
Jules Barton- Artist

Camp Activities:
Every camper will receive a sketch book, art supply box, and various art supplies. Each day children will enjoy various art projects, crafts, games, and outdoor fun!

Session 1:
When: June 26th – June 30th
Time: 9:00am-12pm
Age Group: For children who are entering 4th, 5th, and 6th grades
Cost: $200 (No Refunds)

Session 2:
When: July 17th- July 21st
Time: 9:00am-12pm
Age Group: For children who are entering 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades
Cost: $200 (No Refunds)

Session 3:
When: July 31st- Aug 4th
Time: 9:00am-12pm
Age Group: For children who are entering 1st, 2nd, and 3rd grades
Cost: $200 (No Refunds)

Where:
Jacksonville Elementary School

What To Bring:
Your camper will need to bring a snack, water bottle, and a beach towel.

Register at https://www.stonealley.com/program/CMRC/group/ArtCamp

Baltimore County Department of Recreation and Parks
JES PTA MEMBERSHIP TOOLKIT:

https://jesptaphoenix.membershiptoolkit.com/home

Register today! JES PTA Membership Toolkit is a FREE resource for all JES families and staff! It includes:

- **Directory:** Share as much or as little info as you wish. JES PTA will not disclose your info to anyone.
- **PTA Calendar**
- **Volunteer Signups**
- **Event Signups**
- **Online Store** for tickets, donations, annual JES PTA memberships, etc.
- **Communications:** Receive JES PTA emails according to your preferences.

Membership Toolkit is also available as a free mobile app!

You **do** need to be a JES parent/guardian or staff member, but you **do not** need to be a JES PTA member to use our Membership Toolkit.

Contact Whitney Leber (wpleber@comcast.net) for any Membership Toolkit questions.