

Jardine Jaguar News

Jardine Middle School, 2600 SW 33rd Street, Topeka, Kansas 66611
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Jeanne Vawter, Principal
Rod Bleich, Assistant Principal
May, 2010

Todd Haag, Curriculum Coordinator
Brad Snyder, Activities Coordinator



MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

03 Orchestra Concert – Commons - 7:00 p.m.	10-17 - FINALS
04 Band Concert – Gym - 7:00 p.m.	11 JMS PTO MEETING- 7:00 P.M.
05 Grade Print-outs go home with students City Track Meet (Field events) at Hummer - 3:10 p.m.	13 Summer school enrollment at Eisenhower- 5-7 p.m.
05 Summer school enrollment at French MS - 5-7:00 p.m.	14 Eighth Grade Dance-Commons - 6:30-9:00 p.m.
06 City Track Meeting- (Running events) at Hummer - 2:10	17 Last day for sixth and seventh graders
06 Jaguar Perk with Assistant Principal - Sponsored by Dillons Brookwood	18 Eighth Grade Promotion – Gym - 8:15 a.m. Eighth grade band performs starting at 7:30 a.m.
07 Breakfast for our 4.0 GPA students - 7:00 a.m. Volunteer Reception – Library - Noon JMS orchestra performs at both events	29 Grade Cards mailed home

IMPORTANT DATES IN AUGUST

03 Enrollment-7:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m./2:00-7:00 p.m.	18 School begins for ALL students
17 First day of school-sixth graders and any new students to Topeka Public Schools	

Dear Parents, Students, and Staff of Jardine Middle School:

How do I begin to say thank you for all of your hard work, support, and the happiness you have brought in to my life over the last 14 years? It is not easy for me to say good-bye. I have made many wonderful friendships along the way and will keep them close to my heart. I wish the new principal, Mr. Haire, the best. I know that he, too, will create many wonderful memories with this community. Again, thank you for everything. I will always be a Jaguar.

Sincerely,
Jeanne Vawter



Education has changed greatly over my tenure here at Jardine. However, there is still nothing better than listening to a student share his enthusiasm for a good book or lesson, or seeing the smile on his face when he's done a job well, whether it be in academics, athletics, or the arts. Thank you for letting me part of your children's lives the past 35 years.
"Once a Jaguar, always a Jaguar!"

Ms. Burbridge, Library Media Specialist



It has been an immense pleasure to have worked with so many of your children over the past 19 years. I have enjoyed watching them learn and progress as children and then advance to young adults. Thank you for the support you have given to all the teachers and staff. I will miss being around them.

Mrs. Hansen, Sixth Grade Language Arts Teacher

I attended this school when it was a junior high from 1963-1966. I was contracted for what was to be my lifelong career at Jardine in 1973. When you stop to think about it, I will have been here for forty of the fifty years when the school celebrates its 50th anniversary. I completed my masters from K-State. I have enjoyed the development of Home Economics curriculum and watched many changes and challenges occur since the name change to FACS (Family and Consumer Science) in the '90's. Yes, we continue to cook and sew, but it has always been so much more - budget, time management, organization, reflection, and development of relationships. I enjoy watching adolescents grow and change. If I can measure success through the eyes of a child when that "light bulb" goes on, or in a kid who quietly takes time out of his routine to share a moment, and when I can laugh with a youngster, then I realize why I went into teaching.

"It's been a long time since I've given much thought
To the possible reason that I've worked and taught
Nearly four decades at Jardine Middle School.
But, I enjoy my job and I believe in the Golden Rule.
It should not come as any surprise
And as a matter of FACS I know,
The true reason is right in front of my eyes.
I thank you for being YOU - my student, friend or colleague."



Mrs. Thomas, FACS teacher



After nearly forty years of working with children as a Clinical Social Worker and a School Guidance Counselor, I am retiring. I spent ten of my forty years at Jardine. I am very proud to have been a staff member at Jardine because our staff is so dedicated to our students. I enjoyed working with the Jardine students and their parents. I will miss many experiences at Jardine but most of all I will miss the smiles of our students when they are successful.

Mrs. VanSickle, Counselor

SAFETY CONCERNS

Adults in the neighborhood are reporting how unsafe some of our Jardine students walk to and from school. Several students are walking in the street, when walking towards Burlingame and Oakley streets. Parents, please talk with your students and strongly request they use sidewalks and cross streets at designated areas.

JARDINE MEMORIAL BRICK COURTYARD

JMS PTO will again be selling bricks for our Jardine Memorial Brick Courtyard. An order form can be picked up in "A" office. The cost is \$20.00. The bricks should be placed in our courtyard sometime this summer.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

Jardine orchestra students performed at Bishop, Avondale West, and Stout Elementary Schools as well as Brewster Place on Thursday, April 22. Members of the Jardine eighth grade band performed for area elementary schools on Wednesday, April 28. Their performance locations include Highland Park Central, Williams, and Avondale West Elementary Schools.

STUDENT AMBASSADOR VOLUNTEERS

"A" office Student Ambassadors helped out daily before school from 7:20 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. Thank you very much to the following eighth grade students who served as Student Ambassadors during 2009-2010:

September - Kaylee	December - Collene	March - Elizabeth
October - Bethany	January - Cody	April/May - Brooke
November - Kaylene	February - Raianna	

SPORTS PHYSICALS- 2010-2011

WHERE: JARDINE MIDDLE SCHOOL

WHEN: MAY 6, 2010 - 9:00 A.M. TO 11:00 A.M.

COST: \$15.00 - Payment can be cash or money order and is due at the time of the physical. If paying by money order, please write "Dr. Connie Lang" on the money order. **No checks.**

OBTAINING PHYSICAL FORM:

- KSHSAA web site: www.kshsaa.org. Click on miscellaneous school forms, then physical forms.
- School district website: www.topekapublicschools.net. Go to HOT TOPICS section and click on KSHSAA Pre-Participation Physical Form

VOLUNTEER RECEPTION

Jardine will host a Volunteer Reception to honor our school volunteers on Friday, May 7, 2010 from 12:00-1:00 p.m. in the school library. Invitations will be sent to our volunteers. If you are a school volunteer and have not received an invitation, please call Mrs. Rowe (274-6360).

GRADE 8 DANCE

Eighth grade parents and students, mark your calendar for May 14, 2010. The eighth grade only, end-of-year-dance will be from 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. This year's theme is "Mardi Gras." We need donations of food and beverages, as well as adult chaperones. Parents, watch for your student's invitation to the dance. The invitation will include a parent memo with detailed information and a request for chaperones, food, and beverages. Additional parent support is needed for this dance. If you can help out, please contact Mr. Shima at 272-4817 or Mrs. Bleich at 266-7528.

EIGHTH GRADE PROMOTION

Eighth grade promotion will be held on Tuesday, May 18, 2010 at 8:15 a.m.-gym. The JMS PTO is looking for non-eighth grade parents to help serve cookies at the end of the promotion ceremony. If you can help out, please contact Mr. Shima at 272-4817.

SUMMER BAND/STRINGS/CHORUS PROGRAMS

TPS will once again host a Summer Band/Strings Camp and a Summer Honor Choir Program this year. **Summer Band/Strings** will meet at Highland Park High School beginning June 1 through June 25 from 8:00-9:00 a.m. and/or 9:00-10:00 a.m. **Summer Honor Choir** will also meet at HPHS from June 1 through June 25 from 10:15-11:15 a.m. All of these camps are FREE to TPS students. Contact Mrs. Rowe at 274-6360 or trowe@topeka.k12.ks.us if you are interested.

PTO OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

The Jardine PTO needs your support. The school and your children both benefit from your involvement at Jardine. Student achievement tends to increase with increased parent involvement.

President - Mr. M. Howell	DCAC - Mrs. M. Brown
Vice-President - Mrs. K. Kinsch	Secretary - Open
Treasurer - Mrs. S. Beatty	

MIDDLE SCHOOL SUMMER SCHOOL

<p>ACADEMIC AREAS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reading/Language Arts • Math <p>FEE INFORMATION FOR TPS STUDENTS:</p> <p>Students with improvement plans \$15.00</p> <p>Students without improvement plans</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full price lunch: \$100.00 • Reduced-price lunches: \$75.00 • Free lunch: \$50.00 <p>Non TPS Students: \$180.00</p> <p>PAYMENT OF FEES:</p> <p>Payment of fees is due at the time of enrollment. Payment may be made by cash, check, or money order.</p>	<p>SUMMER SCHOOL COORDINATORS- CONTACT INFO.</p> <p>French Site- Jacquelyn Mickel- 438-4660 Eisenhower Site- Diana Beitz- 274-6033</p> <p>ENROLLMENT DATES:</p> <p>At French MS- 5257 SW 33rd-May 5, 2010- 5:00-7:00 p.m. At Eisenhower - 3305 Minnesota- May 13- 5:00-7:00 p.m.</p> <p>CLASSES BEGIN: May 24, 2010 CLASSES END: JUNE 18, 2010 HOURS: 8:30-11:30 a.m.</p>
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NEW DISTRICT E-MAIL INFORMATION SERVICE

Want to find out the latest information about Topeka Public Schools? Sign up to receive news via email. You'll get updated, in-depth information about the topics and issues facing Topeka Public Schools, comments and thoughts from the superintendent and you'll be one of the first to know about upcoming school district events. Go to the Topeka Public Schools website, www.topekapublicschools.net, look for Stay Connected and click on district email information.

TOPEKA PUBLIC SCHOOLS NON-DISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Topeka Public Schools, Unified School District No. 501 is committed to affirmative action and equal opportunity. No person shall, on the basis of age, race, color, creed, religion, gender, disability, national origin or ancestry be denied lawful access to any appropriate educational service, program or activity provided by the school district. The Title VI and Title IX compliance coordinator is the executive director of administration. The Section 504 compliance coordinator is the general director of special services. For employment, the EEO/AA officer is the general director of human resources. All compliance coordinators may be contacted at 624 SW24th Street, Topeka, KS 66611-1294, (785) 295-3000. The clerk of the Board of Education has been designated to receive and redirect or handle inquiries regarding nondiscrimination policies, regulations and procedures. The clerk may be contacted by calling (785) 295-3045 or by writing to 624 SW 24th Street, Topeka, Kansas 66611-1294.