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Important Dates

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Thu, Nov 29: STEAM Night, 6-8 PM

Dec. 3-7: Spirit Week

Thu, Dec 6: Fall Play, *Phantom Tollbooth*, 6:30 PM

Fri, Dec 7: Fall Play, *Phantom Tollbooth*, 6:30 PM

Mon, Dec 10: FAST Reading Assessment, 8th Grade
Tue, Dec 11: FAST Reading Assessment, 7th Grade
Wed, Dec 12: FAST Reading Assessment, 6th Grade
Multicultural Night, 6-8 PM
Thu, Dec 13: FAST Math Assessment, 8th Grade
Fri, Dec 14: Coffee with the Principal, 8:45 AM
FAST Math Assessment, 7th Grade
Mon, Dec 17: FAST Math Assessment, 6th Grade
Thu, Dec 20: Intersession
Fri, Dec 21: Intersession

[See the full calendar for more information](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Early Release Reminder

Today, **Wednesday, November 28**, is our next [early release day](#). School will end at 1:00, and buses will arrive at 1:05 to pick up students. Staff will be planning for Intersession. If you need after school care, please contact [Community Education](#). We appreciate your support and flexibility.

Intersession is Coming Soon!

We are excited to offer Intersession 2018 on **Thursday, December 20**, and **Friday, December 21**.

Intersession is a time when we take a break from our regular schedule and allow students to immerse themselves in nontraditional learning experiences.

Each grade level runs their own Intersession model.

In 6th grade, Crews will rotate through six different courses over the two-day period. Courses will include a range of activities that incorporate movement, arts, social emotional learning, and STEM activities.

In 7th grade, students will select from a variety of classes that incorporate movement, art and theater, social emotional learning, cooking, design and engineering, probability, and planning for the future.

In 8th grade, students will rotate by Crew through three classes on Thursday. One will focus on movement and mindfulness, one on a community service project, and one on an artistic challenge. On Friday, students will travel to Park Square Theatre in St. Paul to see the play "A Midsummer Night's Dream."

To fund the varied learning opportunities, we ask 6th and 7th grade families to contribute \$20 per student (checks can be written to **Justice Page PTA**), and 8th grade families to contribute \$25 per student (checks can be written to **Justice Page School**). Your child will bring home a funding request slip on **Tuesday, November 27**, to be returned by **Friday, November 30**.

If you are interested in volunteering to help with Intersession, please contact Joan Spehar at joan.spehar@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Thank you in advance for your support of Intersession at Justice Page Middle School!

Dental Services

JPS will again offer to host Children's Dental Services (CDS) for our students this school year. CDS provides dental care during the school day which may include exams, x-rays, cleanings, fluoride treatment, sealants, fillings, crowns, and extractions.

These services are offered at a reduced cost to families who are income eligible. They offer a sliding scale payment program to these families. CDS will also bill insurance for services done at school.

Consent forms in Spanish, Somali, and English are available in the Main Office. In order for CDS to hold a clinic at JPS we must have at least 10 students complete a consent form to receive treatment. Completed forms should be turned in to the Health Office.

Questions? Call the JPS health office at 612-668-4064 or Children's Dental Services at 612-746-1530.

It's Cold Outside



As we move closer to the winter season, here's a reminder on how MPS handles school during bad weather.

The Superintendent makes the decision to cancel school or after-school activities based on the safety of our students and staff, severity and timing of weather, and the ability for buses and cars to travel safely.

If the Superintendent decides to cancel school or activities, you will be alerted by phone calls, emails, and/or texts, as well as social media ([Facebook](#), [Twitter](#)), the [MPS website](#), the [JPS website](#), radio, and your local news television station.

Be sure to stay informed on things happening at MPS by:

- updating your contact information with JPS by calling 612-668-4040.
- updating your communications preferences in [School Messenger](#).

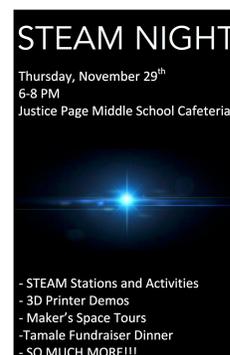
See the district's [weather-related school closing information](#) for more details.

EVENTS

STEAM Night

Our fall STEAM Night is quickly approaching! Join us **Thursday, November 29** from 6:00 to 8:00 PM for a night of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math! Activities will include:

- Bridge in a Bag (courtesy of Minnesota Department of Transportation Bridge Office)
- Engineer Twister! (courtesy of our I-35W/I-94 partners)
- Taking Apart Old Electronics
- Circuit Blocks
- CAD Designing
- Tours of the Makerspace
- 3D Printer Demos



- Community Art Project
- And Much More!

Food and drink will be available for purchase, with all profits going to support JPS STEAM.

Questions? Contact Mr. Koupal at travis.koupal@mpls.k12.mn.us.

2018-2019 MPS High School Information Nights

Beginning in November, and ending in December, high schools will have open houses for current eighth graders, high school students new to Minneapolis Public Schools, and their parents/guardians. It is recommended that you attend these events for the schools in which you are interested. Meet teachers, tour buildings, and preview curriculum.

Fair - 10 S. 10th St., Minneapolis, MN 55403

Thursday, November 29, from 6 - 8 PM



Roosevelt - 4029 28th Ave S., Minneapolis, MN 55406

Thursday, December 6, from 6 - 8 PM



Southwest - 3414 W. 47th St., Minneapolis, MN 55410

Thursday, December 6, from 6 - 8 PM



Questions? Visit the [High School Request Center website](#) or email 8th grade counselor Carolyn Cottingham at carolyn.cottingham@mpls.k12.mn.us.

Multicultural Night

Save the Date! We welcome you to a celebration of JPS and what makes us great: YOU! Join us for the Multicultural Night Potluck on **Wednesday, December 12** from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. More details will come as we get closer to the event, but mark your calendars and plan to join us for some JPS fun!

Spirit Wear

Give the gift that gives back this holiday season

Purchase Justice Page Spirit Wear for the entire family. All proceeds benefit the PTA. Visit justicepagespiritwear.com to shop.

Questions? Contact admin@justicepagespiritwear.com.

DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS WANTED

Gift Cards Needed

With the holidays just around the corner, Page's social workers are holding a gift card drive to help our students and families.

Gift cards help struggling families with the holidays and beyond. We would love to have gift cards on hand to distribute where help is most needed. In particular, gift cards from the following stores would be most useful: SuperAmerica (now Speedway), Cub, Walmart, and Target.



We're especially in need of gas cards (e.g. SuperAmerica/Speedway), but any cards in any amount are welcome!

If you have gift cards you'd like to donate to this cause, please drop them off with Cassie Zonnefeld (room 105C), or in the main office.

PTA ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You

Thank you to everyone in the Justice Page community who participated in Minnesota's annual day of giving. For those who donated to our STEAM initiative, your generosity will provide updated computer technology in the school's Makerspace and will provide many hands-on learning opportunities for our Rhino students!

'Tis the Season

As the holiday season settles upon us and you start to tackle your shopping list, shop with purpose! Below are three ways you can check off items on your list while also giving back to Justice Page:



NEW! AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. The difference is that when you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to Justice Page Middle School.

Just [click here to shop](#), and you'll also be helping to fund JPS field trips, classroom supplies, and more. Every item available for purchase on www.amazon.com is also available on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com) at the same price. You will see eligible products marked "Eligible for AmazonSmile donation" on their product detail pages.

Already raised over \$200!

[Boon Supply](#) is a philanthropic online store. They offer a wide assortment of quality products including reusable bags and bottles, organizational items, kitchen tools, jewelry, and outdoor tools. When you make purchases at Boon Supply through our fundraiser, Justice Page will receive 50% of the dollars spent! Thank you to those who have already supported JPS here!

Shop local!

Tangletown Gardens and Wise Acre gift cards make great gifts for friends and neighbors! All purchases made through their [Online Shoppe](#) will give 10% back to Justice Page!

Questions? Contact Stephanie Willingham at stephanieawillingham@icloud.com.



COMMUNITY EDUCATION

Winter Community Education Classes

Our winter session of after school classes starts **December 10**. Academic Extended Learning classes will continue. If you were registered for an ExL class in fall, there is no need to do anything unless you want to make a change. Space is still available in many academic classes and there are new enrichment classes starting. [Register for all winter classes here](#).

Fall Play

Our cast and crew have been hard at work on the fall play, *The Phantom Tollbooth*. Public performances will be **Thursday, December 6** and **Friday, December 7** at 6:30 PM. Tickets are \$5 and will be available at the door starting at 6:00 PM. Children under 5 are admitted free of charge and no one will be turned away for inability to pay. Please join us!

Winter Musical Registration

Registration for the cast of the Justice Page Community Education musical, *Dear Edwina Jr.*, is [open on the Community Education website!](#) The **deadline to register** to be in the cast is **Tuesday, December 4**. Space is limited! If online registration shows FULL, add your name to the waitlist, and you will be contacted if space is available.

Cast Auditions (to determine roles) will be **December 10** (6th grade) and December 11 (7th and 8th grade). Public performances will be on **Friday, March 1** and **Saturday, March 2** at 6:30 PM.

[Register separately for Tech Crew, Costume Crew, and Pit Orchestra classes.](#) Those will begin the week of **January 7, 2019**.

For more information, call the Community Education office at 612-668-4051 or visit the [Justice Page Community Education website](#).

PERFORMING ARTS

Canterville Ghost at Southwest High School

Southwest High School's Unhinged Theater is pleased to present: *Canterville Ghost*. An average American family acquires historic old Canterville Chase, complete with ghost!

Performances will be **November 28-December 1** at 7 PM. Tickets will be available at the door the day of the show.

Do You Have News to Share?

Send all stories, ideas, and comments to the *Around the Horn* editors at JPMSCommunications@gmail.com.

Deadline for submission is Friday the week before publication at 5:00 PM.

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