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## Important Dates

- Wed, Oct 10:** Walk/Bike to School Day
- Tue, Oct 16:** Parent/Teacher Conferences, 4:30-8:00 PM  
Fall State of the School Address, 5:30 PM
- Wed, Oct 17:** No School  
Parent/Teacher Conferences, 8:00 AM-12 PM  
Flu Clinic, 8:00 AM-12 PM
- Thu, Oct 18:** No School
- Fri, Oct 19:** No School

**Fri, Oct 26:** Coffee with the Principal, 8:45-9:15 AM  
**Wed, Oct 31:** End of 1st Quarter  
**Thu, Nov 1:** No School  
**Fri, Nov 2:** No School  
**Tue, Nov 6:** Election Day

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

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are coming up next week! Please read through all of the information below to be fully prepared for conferences.

**Purpose:** The purpose of our fall conferences is for families, students, and teachers to discuss the student's progress, grades, and classroom objectives.

**Format:** This year, conferences will be done in a drop-in format. No appointment is necessary; simply drop in for brief (4-5 minute) conversations with teachers. The drop-in format allows all families to come and meet with as many teachers as they wish. All teachers will be in their regular classrooms. Families are encouraged to come on either day.

#### **Tuesday, October 16:**

4:30-8:00 PM Drop-in conferences  
5:30 PM The Administrative Team will be delivering the State of the School address in the Auditorium

#### **Wednesday, October 17:**

8:00 AM - 12:00 PM Drop-in conferences  
Flu shot clinic in the Auditorium

**Parent Portal:** Prior to conferences, families should review parent portal and check for missing assignments and assessments, as well as checking the student's current grade in each class. It is recommended that families and students bring a copy of their current grades from parent portal. We will provide parent portal assistance in the main office. [Instructions to access Parent Portal are here \(en Español|af Soomaali\)](#). If you have questions about assignments, learning targets, assessments, and/or grades, feel free to email specific teachers any time.

**Interpreters:** Both Somali and Spanish interpreters will be available. The interpreters will be at the main entrance.

Common Questions to ask teachers:

- How is my student getting along with his/her peers?
- How is his/her engagement in class activities?
- How can I support you from home?

If you have a larger concern please contact the teacher to make a longer appointment.

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## Request for Photos

We're looking for great pictures of our students to be included in this year's yearbook. Do you have action shots from last night's soccer game? Did you take pictures of your students and their friends dressed up for Spirit Week? We may not use all photos, but we'd love to have lots of pictures to work with!

You can submit photos:

- Via email to [jpscommunications@gmail.com](mailto:jpscommunications@gmail.com), and include a description of the event and names of people in the photo
- By [uploading to this shared Google drive](#), and including a description and names to the details.

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## Immunization Records

**All students entering 7th grade** must have Meningitis (meningococcal) and Tdap immunizations, or a notarized medical or conscientious exemption document. Bring any updated immunization forms to the JPS Health Office or have your doctor fax them to 612-668-4050.

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## EVENTS

### Walk and Bike to School Day

Our Fuel Up to Play 60 Justice Page Walk & Bike to School event is coming up **Today, October 10!**

We are encouraging all of our students to participate by walking or biking to school today. This will be a fun day, including a prize drawing and nutritious snacks.

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## Flu Shot Clinic/Vacunación contra la gripe/Xarunta tallaabka hargabka

[Español](#)

[Soomaali](#)

**Wednesday October 17, 8 AM - 12 PM**

Justice Page Middle School will be hosting a flu shot clinic in the auditorium for JPS students, families, and staff during Parent/Teacher Conferences on **Wednesday, October 17** from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM. This is a great opportunity to have your whole family immunized before or after conferences!



The Minnesota Visiting Nurses Association will provide flu shots through a community partnership grant. The grant will cover the cost for **uninsured or underinsured children only this year**. In the past the whole family's costs were covered and we apologize for the change requiring adults to have insurance and bring their insurance cards.

It's all very simple and convenient! Wear a shirt that allows easy access to your upper arm. **Nasal spray vaccine will not be offered this year.**

Forms will be available at the event, or you can [fill out the form ahead of time](#) and bring the completed form with you to the clinic.

**Questions?** Contact the JPS Health Office at 612.668.4030.

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## Coffee with the Principal

October's Coffee with Principal Rathke will be **Friday, October 26** starting at 8:45 AM in the Honor Room on the lower level. We also will be celebrating Native American Family Engagement Day. Please stay and join us as we greet our students starting at 9:15 AM. We are looking forward to seeing you!

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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION

### No After School Classes Next Week

Please note that there will be **no after school classes** next week, **October 15-October 19**.

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## PTA ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Dining for Dollars

October is National Pizza Month! Eat some of your favorite slices and help raise funds for JPS!

Several local pizza places are hosting 'Dining for Dollars' nights and will donate a percentage of the sales back to JPS. Mark your calendars and give yourself a night off from figuring out dinner!

**Wednesday, October 10:** Davanni's (6345 Penn Ave S, Richfield) will give back 20% for all dine in and take out purchases made using this [Davanni's flyer](#) (printed or digital images accepted) from 4 to 8 PM. Davanni's recommends online and call ahead orders if picking up. Bonus: this fundraiser also includes any Davanni's gift cards purchased during that time as well. Stock up for yourself or for the holidays.

**Monday, October 22:** Punch Pizza (3226 W Lake St, Minneapolis) will give back 20% of all purchases made by diners representing JPS from 11 AM to close. No tickets required, just **be sure to tell your server you are there for the Justice Page fundraiser**.

**Questions?** Contact Stephanie Willingham at [stephanieawillingham@icloud.com](mailto:stephanieawillingham@icloud.com).

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## DONATIONS AND VOLUNTEERS WANTED

### Conference Dinner

Let's feed our hardworking teachers on **Tuesday, October 16** when they put in a long day for conferences. Items can be dropped off Monday or Tuesday of that week in the office. Use [this link to sign up](#) and see more details about dropping off and picking up items.

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### Restorative Rhino Room Items Needed

We are looking for more materials for our restorative Rhino Room, where students can process, de-stress, and refocus when needed. If you can contribute any of the items listed below, please bring them to the main office and label them "For Ms. T."

- Indoor String Lights
- Fidgets
- Yoga Mats
- Blankets
- Diffusers

**Questions?** Please contact Ms. Tverberg at [kasie.tverberg@mpls.k12.mn.us](mailto:kasie.tverberg@mpls.k12.mn.us).

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## Still Life Objects Needed

The Art room needs objects for our still life drawings! Vases, cups, plates, wooden items, skulls/bones, feathers, old paintbrushes, plastic fruit, etc. We are looking for a variety of light and dark objects as well as a variety of textures. No clear glass or objects larger than a football, please. We will try to return objects to you if you put your name on them but cannot promise they will be in the same shape after 400 kids draw them! Please deliver items to the main office and label them "For Elissa" or "For Steven". Thanks!

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## PERFORMING ARTS

### *High School Musical*

Southwest Theater presents their 9th/10th grade fall musical, *High School Musical*. Troy, Gabriella, and the students of East High must deal with issues of first love, friends, and family while balancing their classes and extracurricular activities. Shows will be October 11 through 13 at 7 PM, and October 14 at 2 PM.



Avoid the ticket lines and [reserve your seats ahead of time](#).

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## Do You Have News to Share?

Send all stories, ideas, and comments to the *Around the Horn* editors at [JPMSCommunications@gmail.com](mailto:JPMSCommunications@gmail.com).

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

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