



Junaluska Elementary School Newsletter

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FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE



Parents and Families,

Our school year is well underway and we are excited to be back in the learning groove.

At this point all of our kindergarten students have started and we welcome them to the Junaluska Elementary community.

We are eager to unlock the promise and potential that this year holds for children of all ages. At Junaluska, we recognize

the important role that parents play in their child's education. This partnership works best with good communication. If

we can help you, please don't hesitate to call or email. Check out our website for additional information or follow us on

facebook or twitter.

Sincerely,

Alex Masciarelli, Principal

Introductions of New Staff

CARRIE HOOPER We have a new art teacher! Carrie Hooper is thrilled to be teaching art at Junaluska Elementary this year. This is her 6th year of teaching art in Haywood County. She lives in Asheville with her husband, 4 year old daughter, 1 year old son, dog and cat. Mrs. Hooper loves to paint, garden, play computer games, and play with her kids. She loves to travel and often teaches art lessons based on different countries and cultures from around the world. Have a look out in the next few weeks for instructions to get signed up for our new online art portfolio system.

KIFFIN QUEEN is our new Assistant Principal and Title One teacher. He has a Masters in Education from Montreat College and a School Administration degree from WCU. Mr. Queen has been a Special Education Teacher, Lead Teacher, Assistant Principal at the Middle School and Elementary Level. He is married to Lauren, who is the Hearing Impaired Teacher for HCS, and has a daughter named Amelia.

REBECCA REEVES is our new ESL teacher. In her free time, she loves to bake and spend time with her two little girls. In the past, she worked at Waynesville Middle School and is now excited to join us here at Junaluska Elementary!

DON SIMMONS is our new EC teacher. He is a native of Mississippi, and graduated from Mississippi State University with a Bachelor's in Educational Psychology and a Master's in Special Education. He also achieved National Board Certification. He taught in Mississippi for 15 years, and then in Florida for 20 years, retiring in June 2018. He and his wife GiGi will celebrate their 35th anniversary later this month. They have 4 adult children who live in Florida, Mississippi, and Colorado, and two Labrador retrievers, Cocoa and Bella. Don and his wife had always hoped of living in this area, after bringing United Methodist youth groups to Lake Junaluska for many summers. He enjoys traveling, camping, watching sports on TV, and reading detective novels.

SARAH SCARBOROUGH is a new 2nd grade teacher. She was born and raised in Brandon, Florida. She fell in love with Waynesville during her summer vacations at her grandparent's house. During the summer of 2018, she graduated from the University of Central Florida with an Elementary Education Degree, moved to Crabtree, and married her husband, Hunter. Sarah loves spending time with family and exploring new places. This is Sarah's second year teaching and she is excited to work at Junaluska Elementary.



WELCOME BACK SHARON RYAN TO 2ND GRADE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Friday, September 6th—Wear Black and Gold to support THS or Red and Black to support PHS
- Monday, September 9th—Boy Scouts will have an assembly for our students at 7:50 AM
- Tuesday, September 10th—JES Open House, Title 1 Meeting-5:30-6:00 & Classroom Meetings will be 6:00-6:30 or 6:30-7:00
- Tuesday, September 24th—GOTR starts
- Wednesday, September 25th—Ident-a-Kid
- Friday, September 27th—Kindergarten Field Trip
- Tuesday, October 1st—All Pro Dad's Breakfast at 7:15 AM
- Tuesday, October 1st—1st Grade Field Trip
- Wednesday, October 2nd—Picture Day



Book Fair

Junaluska's Book Fair will be September 9th to September 13th! More information coming home

soon...



5th graders interested in being on our Safety Patrol, must turn in an application by September 24th. Applications will be available in classrooms on September 11th.



Girls on the Run

Registration Dates for Girls on the Run at JES will be from September 3-September 12. At this time the team is limited to 4th & 5th grade girls. To register, interested girls should go online

at gotrwc.org. Directions to register are posted there on the homepage. GOTR Sessions will begin at Junaluska Elementary on **Tuesday, September 24th**. Students will meet after school in the library.



ALL PRO DAD'S BREAKFAST

Join us for our All Pro Dad's Breakfast on **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 1ST AT 7:15 A.M.**

Team up with dads and kids for a quick, before-school breakfast and a short program on fatherhood and family topics.

You'll take away some great tips and resources to help you be the best Dad you can be, and you'll strengthen your relationship with your kids at the same time.



Eagle Club (3rd-5th grade)

Soaring to Success!

Each 9-weeks, we will be offering a fun and exciting trip as an incentive for attendance, homework, and citizenship. Students will qualify for the trip by adhering to the following rules of the Club:

- **Positive behavior:**
 - HAVE ONLY POSITIVE VISITS TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE.
- **Be prepared for class**
 - 3 OR MORE CLASSROOM STRIKES AND YOU ARE OUT OF THE CLUB.
- **Be on time and stay all day:**
 - HAVE NO MORE THAN 2 CHECKOUTS
 - HAVE NO MORE THAN 2 TARDIES.
 - NO MORE THAN 3 ABSENCES EACH 9 WEEKS.

Welcome to the Eagle Club!



Lunch Applications

Please make sure to complete free/reduced lunch applications as soon as possible. This can be done online or we have paper copies at the front desk. Thank you so much!



PE NEWS

Students are reminded to wear tennis shoes during their scheduled physical education class. Thank you! *Coach Edwards*



PTA NEWS

Junaluska PTA has several exciting upcoming events! We couldn't function without the help of our amazing parent volunteers. If you're a new parent or a kindergarten parent and would like to volunteer for school dances, duty-free lunches, book fairs, and more, please send a note with your child so it can be received by the PTA. We know it's going to be a fantastic year for our school!

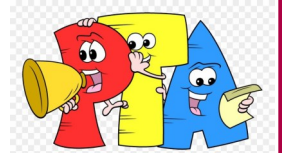
Parent/Volunteer Facebook: Are you part of our Junaluska PTA and Volunteers Facebook group? If not, be sure to request membership! This is a great place to receive PTA news and information. Simply search "Junaluska PTA and Volunteers" on Facebook then ask to join the group.

T-shirt Orders: Be on the lookout for JES apparel order forms. These make great gifts and provide your child a way to show their school spirit!

Back-to-School Dance: Our first dance will be held Fri., Sept. 20. This dance is for 1st-5th graders from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Dance permission slips will be sent home the week of the dance.

Fall Mixed Bags Fundraiser: Last year our Mixed Bags fundraiser was a huge success. We're excited to offer this fundraiser again this year. Stay tuned for more information.

New Kindergarten Playground: The PTA has been raising money to build a new kindergarten playground. We're so close to meeting our fundraising goal. We hope to break ground on the new space this calendar year. More information will be forthcoming.



Student Council

Representatives and alternates, from 3rd to 5th grade, will be chosen from each class. This is an opportunity to build student leadership in our school.

1. **Wednesday, September 11th**—Student Council applications available.
2. **Tuesday, September 17th**—Student Council Applications and written speeches due to your teacher.
3. **September 18th to 20th**—Speeches will be given in your classroom. (Teachers will select the day or days.)
4. **Candidates are NOT to bring anything in to share with class to win votes.**
5. Classes will vote on or before **September 20th.**



Carline Instructions

Please help us to make Junaluska Elementary School's carline as efficient as possible.

1. To speed up the carline, when your car has stopped please have your child get out of the car.
2. Please have your child exit on the right side of the car.
3. Parents, please stay in the car unless your child must be seated on the left side, and then you can help them exit the car.
4. Pull all the way to pole #1, and drive slowly because the speed limit in carline is 5 miles per hour.
5. If it is after 8:05 A.M., your child is tardy. You will need to park and check in your child in the office.
6. Please stop by the front office and get a car tag if you do not have one yet.



TITLE 1 NEWS

Thank you for a great start to our school year! If you have not returned beginning of the year paperwork, please do so as soon as possible. We have set up a resource center in the Title I room with a few booklets for parents on reading and math materials (games, flashcards, etc.) for checkout. You may call to schedule a time to come by and checkout materials or contact Marlene Creary if you need items sent home.

September is here!

Ms. Libby Day was Tuesday, September 3rd from 1:15 – 2:30

In celebration of International Literacy Day, which is Sunday, September 8th your student will be given a book on Friday to bring home, read, and keep.

One of the best things you can do for your child is to spend time together reading books.

Tuesday, September 10th will be our Annual Title I Meeting, Open House Curriculum Night

The Meeting will begin in the gym at 5:30pm followed by Session 1 from 6:00 – 6:30 and Session 2 from 6:30 – 7:00 pm. You may attend either session if you only have one student enrolled. You will be able to attend both sessions if you have children in more than one grade. During the sessions, teachers will give an overview of the curriculum including information on progress reports, report cards, assessments, and testing. You may schedule a time for fall conferences, tour the room, and look at student work samples.

