Principal’s Message

Hello Johnson Families,

What a lovely winter we are having! The weather has been great and things here at JHS have been going well also.

Last Monday, January 27 marked the beginning of 3rd quarter which means that we are at the midpoint of the 2019-20 school year.

At this time of the year it is important to encourage students to remain focused and dedicated to doing well as they move through their academic endeavors. As the parents and guardians of our students we ask that you join us and share this same message with your children at home.

We are grateful for your continued support of the work that we do here at Johnson.

As always, there are several things taking place at JHS this month that I hope you will attend and participate in.

Sincerely,

Micheal J. Thompson, Principal

Upcoming Events

- February 5 - JHS School showcase 6-7:30pm
- February 10 - National African American Parent Involvement Day
- February 17 - No School
- February 20- Annual Opportunities Fair
- February 23 – Thinking College Early Fair
- February 27 - Last Parent Teacher Conference for school year

Preview of March

- March 6 – No School
- March 24– Parent Advisory Council Meeting

To view a detailed calendar of events at JHS click HERE.

JHS January Events & Happenings Bulletin

February 3, 2020

Johnson Senior High

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Family Engagement

At JHS we encourage and welcome your presence, feedback and questions. We also want you to know that you have the right to request regular meetings with the administration to provide suggestions and participate in decisions that are made regarding the education of your child(ren).

if you want to schedule a time to visit JHS, meet with our administration or need an interpreter, transportation or child care contact Dorene Brookins at 651-744-3604 or dorene.brookins@spps.org.

The following sentence is translated below: "All school documents can be translated or interpreters made available upon request."

**Spanish** - Todos los documentos pueden ser traducidos o interpretados oralmente si usted lo solicita

**Hmong** - Tej ntaub ntawv tom tsev kawm ntawv uas xa los rau nej, peb yuav pab txhais thiab nrhiav neeg txhais lus rau nej yog nej hais qhia peb

**Somali** - Dhammaan dukumiintiyada iskuulka waa la turjumi karaa ama waxaa la heli karaa turjumaan haddii la codsado

**Karen (Due to formatting this translation is pasted in as an image)**

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Parent Teacher Home Visits

At Johnson high school we participate in the Parent Teacher Home Visit (PTHV) project that is offered by the Saint Paul Federation of Teachers.

Families and educators often want the same thing for students – to learn and thrive in school. PTHV seeks to build the partnerships between parents and educators that are essential to providing quality education to all students, regardless of their race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, immigration status, or ability.

PTHV is a completely voluntary program for educators in Saint Paul. Before their first home visit, educators who elect to participate in PTHV are trained by both educators and parents about how to respectfully and authentically engage with families. A key aspect of this training is ensuring that families and educators are meeting each other as equal partners in their student’s education. One of your child’s teachers may contact you to schedule a visit. If you have any questions please contact Dorene Brookins at dorene.brookins@spps.org or 651-744-3604.
• **Parent Advisory Council (PAC)**

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday, March 24, 2020** from 6-7pm in the Collaboration Room. If you have items you would like to be on the agenda or are in need of an interpreter, transportation or childcare please contact Dorene Brookins at [dorene.brookins@spps.org](mailto:dorene.brookins@spps.org).

• **Parent Volunteers Needed**

We are in need of 20-25 parents to help with this year’s Senior All-Night Party. If you are willing to help please contact Dorene Brookins at 651-744-3604 or [dorene.brookins@spps.org](mailto:dorene.brookins@spps.org).

• **African American Parent Involvement Day**

**Monday, February 10** is National African American Parent Involvement Day. JHS families will be going on a field trip to Marcus Theaters Oakdale for a screening of the movie Harriet. All are welcome. If you would like to join us for this event contact Dorene Brookins for more information at 651-744-3604 or [dorene.brookins@spps.org](mailto:dorene.brookins@spps.org).
• Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Day Reflection

Johnson High School students Cierra Carter, Kezyia Ross, Deshanti Phillips, Austin Jackson III and Marvelous Ezedi volunteered at the 30th annual Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday Breakfast January 20. The annual breakfast is hosted by the General Mills Foundation and the United Negro College Fund (UNCF). Top Left: Students are pictured with this year's keynote speaker Eric H. Holder Jr., the former Attorney General of the United States. He was the first African-American to serve in that position. Lower Left: Students are pictured with Laverne McCartney Knighton, the Area Director at UNCF Twin Cities.

• Join your student at our Spring and Summer Opportunities Fair

**Thursday, February 20** we will have our annual Opportunities Fair. The purpose of the fair is to make students aware of the multitude of career and personal growth opportunities that are available for young people. Johnson students and staff welcome representatives from community organizations, educational and governmental institutions, businesses, and trade unions to feature their programs and employment and training opportunities for summer, next school year, and beyond.

The fair will take place during all 3 lunches. Join us during your child’s lunch. For more information, contact Dorene Brookins at 651-744-3604 or [dorene.brookins@spps.org](mailto:dorene.brookins@spps.org).
• Seniors

Back row, left to right: Stephon Marcus, Jeremiah KnoxFront row, left to right: Principal Micheal Thompson, Nevaeh Lamb, Pajdib Lee, Cecilia Rodriguez, Alina Lee, Kashia Xiong, Kurt RuKim, Jon Tufte

Students Not present: Kezia Ross, Deshawn Thomas, Anayeli Manzanars

On Friday, February 7 our annual Senior retreat will take place at the Maplewood YMCA. The class of 2020 will have the opportunity to connect with one another and reflect on their high school experience. It is a time to celebrate and continue to work hard to finish their high school career on a high note. Contact Kurt RuKim at Kurt.RuKim@spps.org if you’d like to get involved.

Johnson high school received the Transformational Leader for Equity (Administer) Award for Equity Student Leadership. Given this Friday thru Sunday, February 14th - 16th ten of our Govie leaders will travel to Washington D.C. to participate in the Time to Thrive conference. As a part of this honor, Govie leaders will present at the 2020 SPPS Equity Summit - Beyond OUR Walls.

• Prom 2020

The annual JHS Junior Senior Prom is Friday April 24, 2020 8:00-11:00pm at the Science Museum of Minnesota. Tickets will be sold April 13-17 (Monday-Friday) before and after school in Room #2115 cost is $40.00 per Ticket (CASH ONLY). If you have questions contact Ms. Kleven at laura.kleven@spps.org.

See details on the flyer below.
Hiway Federal Credit Union

HiWay Federal Credit Union is looking for students to join our team! This is your opportunity to make a difference and work with a great group of people at your Johnson Govies Branch.

HiWay offers:
- Flexible Schedule
- Work at your school!
- Competitive Pay

Requirements: We are looking for students who are excited and motivated to learn more about the financial world. Successful candidates will have good verbal and written communication skills, are well organized, and can work independently and on a team. Students may be asked to travel between school and a Hiway branch location. Must be at least 16 years old. To apply email mdaly@hiway.org, call Maureen at 651.259.6421 or visit this link.

See flyer below.

JHS Hockey News

We are extremely excited to announce that there will be a viewing party for the 1st episode of State of Hockey. The viewing will take place on Wednesday Feb. 5th at the American Legion south of school. The episode will start at 7pm. Arrive early if possible. There will be large group attending including Parents, Fans, players and Alumni. Come celebrate our student athletes and make it a big deal!!
**College and Career Resource Center (CCRC)**

*For detailed information from the JHS counseling department and CCRC visit our web site [https://www.spps.org/johnsonsr](https://www.spps.org/johnsonsr) click the Families tab and then click on Counseling Services.*

*Check your school email/Remind texts/Schoology for updates*

**College & Career Resource Center (CCRC) and Counseling February 2020 events are below. Contact Mrs. Ali at [samina.ali@spps.org](mailto:samina.ali@spps.org) with questions:**

Feb 1- Right Track application opens for summer jobs and internships

Feb 4- Genesys Works information- JHS cafeteria during all 3 lunch periods

Feb 6- Careers in Aviation- large conference room during all 3 lunch periods

Feb 7- Senior Retreat at Maplewood Community Center YMCA

Feb 10- ACT pre-registration 3:15pm in the JHS Auditorium

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Feb 15- Wallin Scholarship due

Feb 19- Genesys Works application workshop- CCRC during Govie Hour

Feb 21- Hull Scholarship due to CCRC room #1017

Feb 22- Thinking College Early Fair @Harding High School 10:30am-1:30pm

Feb 25- ACT at JHS for juniors who registered, test check-in starts at 7:35am

**Wallin** Education Partners Scholarship applications are open for applications. Please go to [www.wallinpartners.org/apply](http://www.wallinpartners.org/apply) for more information.
**Genesys Works**- Our school is a partner with Genesys Works, a paid internship program, where high school juniors can apply to participate in their senior year. With Genesys Works, students can change their lives in one summer! Through the free summer training program, students gain real-world skills like public speaking, Microsoft Office, business technology, and more – all while having fun! After students gain the skills they need to succeed in the summer, Genesys Works provides a paid corporate internship where students will work for 12 months at a top Twin Cities company like 3M, Medtronic, General Mills or Ameriprise Financial, all while earning $14,000 their senior year! We also provide college and career support through our college access programming. Please visit our website to apply at https://rebrand.ly/GWTC-2020-Application Applications are now open and due by March 6th.

Stay up to date on college and career events at Johnson High School by joining Remind text messages for each class.

* Class of 2020 Senior Remind messages - send text to: 81010 and in the message type: @govies2020

* Class of 2021 Junior Remind messages- send text to: 81010 and in the message type: @govies2021

* Class of 2022 Sophomore Remind messages- send text to: 81010 and in the message type: @govies2022

* Class of 2023 Freshmen Remind messages- send text to: 81010 and in the message type: @govies2023

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**Important News**

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Interested?

Email mdaly@hiway.org or call Maureen at 651.259.6421
15th Annual
THINKING
COLLEGE
EARLY FAIR

An event for families and students: Grades 6-12

Saturday, February 23, 2019 // 10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Harding Senior High School 1540 E. Sixth Street, Saint Paul, MN 55106

AVAILABLE AT THE FAIR:
• Meet college representatives from state, community and private colleges, including: Historically Black Colleges and Universities
• Meet career trade representatives
• Learn about admission requirements and what it takes to succeed
• Get information on financial aid, scholarships and careers
• SPPS School Board members will be available to speak with students and families

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION,
PLEASE CONTACT:
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clark_parkridge@msn.com

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Sponsored by PROCEED (Progressive Center for Education and Economic Development) with support from Saint Paul Public Schools
Junior Senior Prom

Friday April 24, 2020

8:00-11:00
Science Museum of Minnesota

Tickets are only on sale April 13-17 (Monday-Friday)
Before and After School in Room #2115*
Cost: $40.00 per Ticket** (cash only)

**Grand March:** In the Johnson High School Warren G. Burger Auditorium, starts at 5pm.
Feel free to take pictures on the stage after the grand march is over - the Auditorium will close at 6pm.

**Dance:** The Science Museum of Minnesota, 8:00 -11:00 PM, doors close at 9:00 PM.

*No tickets will be sold during classes. A guest slip completely filled out for any student that does not attend Johnson High School (it can be filled out and faxed to 651-293-8895), a CIF number for Johnson High School students must be provided for each ticket purchased.

**There is a charge to park in the Science Museum's parking ramp the night of Prom, please call the Science Museum about the cost.

Please see the JHS web site for additional Prom Information.

If you have any questions about Prom, please e-mail Ms. Kleven at laura.kleven@spps.org
PREPPING FOR PROM?

Get your FREE DRESS at Project Prom 2019
March 12, 13, 14, 15 & 20th in Maple Grove, MN

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