Principal’s Message

Hello Johnson Families,

We are grateful for your continued support of the work that we do at JHS. We are officially moving into the last stretch of this school year.

Thursday evening February 27, we held our last scheduled Parent/Teacher Conference for the 2019-20 school year. Thank you to all that attended.

If you were unable to attend conferences last week I encourage you to contact your child’s teachers to learn how they are doing in their classes and if you desire, to set up a time to come to JHS and visit your child in class.

In addition, I invite you to attend our next leadership team meeting, to hear about the progress we are making on our SCIP and provide your thoughts on the direction we are going. The meeting will take place Monday, March 9th in the JHS collaboration room beginning at 3:15pm.

Next, we need parents to help us out with an upcoming professional development day parent panel that we will have on Thursday, April 9, as well as, help with the upcoming Senior All Night Party.

Information on how you can support us with the parent panel and all-night party activities is enclosed in this bulletin.

Lastly, be sure to take a look at all the flyers included at the end of this bulletin. They contain important information on tutoring, prom and the 2020 Census.

Thank you and I am looking forward to seeing you at the events here at JHS!

Sincerely,
Micheal J. Thompson, Principal
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 to meet with our administration or a teacher or, you 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)

•  **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. If you desire a visit 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.

•  **Parent Volunteers Needed**

Thursday, April 9 is a professional development (PD) day for teachers. On that day we will have a panel of JHS parents leading the PD with our teachers and are looking for parents to be on the panel.

If you are willing to help out please contact Dorene Brookins at 651-744-3604 or dorene.brookins@spps.org.
• Prom 2020

The Johnson high school junior/senior prom will be Friday, April 24. For more information see the enclosed flyer or call the Johnson office at 651-293-8890 or email Laura Kleven at Laura.Kleven@spps.org.

• Poetry & Art at JHS

Everybody needs a little poetry from time to time. Check out the Poetry Out Loud website click on find poems and browse poems or poets. A random approach is recommended. The website is a great resource for poetry and covers it all from poets back in the day to contemporary spoken word poets. Every year Johnson competes in Poetry Out Loud, and it’s never too early to check out the website, get familiar with the contest, and begin searching for some awesome poems to memorize and recite. One of the great things about Johnson High School is the variety of activities students are offered and this is a great one for students willing to give something a try that they never thought they knew they had in them.

In other Creative Writing News, Johnson High School’s literary magazine The Mirror, received a ranking of Excellent from the National Council of Teachers of English. We look forward to the publication of this year’s Mirror in May and mark your calendars for May 12. That’s Johnson’s Arts Night! We’ll be celebrating the arts at Johnson with an open mic down at Caydence Records and Coffee on Payne Ave. The Mirror is always looking for creative writing and artwork submissions, so if you get inspired, drop off your written work with Mr. Boyt in 1101 and your artwork with Ms. Klocke in the Art room. Any work submitted now will be considered for next year’s publication. Congratulations to last year’s Mirror editors for doing such a great job of “reflecting” our community!

From the Music Department

Please Join Us - Music Concert!

• Band! Choir! Orchestra!

When: Thursday, March 12 at 7:00pm
Where: Johnson High School in the Warren E. Burger Auditorium
From The JHS Guidance Office

Testing season began Monday, February 3 at JHS and will continue to take place through Spring.

To learn more about testing dates and various tests that are administered to our students contact the JHS guidance office at 651-744-3588 or visit the guidance website by clicking [HERE](#).

We also encourage you to visit the links below that share information on specific tests.

**Parent Fact Sheets on Testing**

Answers to frequently asked questions about the Minnesota Comprehensive Assessments (MCA) and Minnesota Test of Academic Skills (MTAS) are available in a downloadable and printable Parent Fact Sheets. A test preparation fact sheet is also available. See the document list below. Translated versions of these fact sheets are available under Translated Documents, below.

- [ACCESS Parent Fact Sheet](#)
- [MCA Parent Fact Sheet](#)
- [SPPS Website Research, Evaluation & Assessment](#)
- [SPPS Parent/Guardian Information Statewide Testing](#)
- [MTAS Parent Fact Sheet](#)
- [JHS ACT/SAT Information](#)
- [Test Preparation Suggestions for Parents and Teachers](#)

**After School Homework Help**

After school tutoring days are Monday - Thursday. All students are required to sign in. Want to know if your student is coming to tutoring? Email jon.tufte@spps.org. See the flyer below.
IMPORTANT
Registration Week for the 2020-2021 School Year

March 9th through March 13th

During the week of March 9th, students at Johnson will be selecting their courses for the 2020-2021 school year.

On Monday, March 9th, students will be receiving important course registration materials. Please take some time to sit down with your child and fill out the registration forms with them. All registration forms are due to the student’s Advisory Teacher by Friday, March 13th, 2020. In addition to completing the paper form, students will also be entering their course requests online through the Campus portal.

If you have any questions regarding the registration process, please contact your child’s school counselor. Additional information including registration forms, course catalog and registration instructions can be found on the following website: https://www.spps.org/Page/15322

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 click the Families tab and then click on Counseling Services.

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

College & Career Resource Center (CCRC) March 2020 Events

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3M Eastside Summer Job Program
Johnson High School juniors and seniors interested in working for 3M this summer in a 9 week program. Further information and assistance with resume available in the CCRC room #1017.

Women in Engineering Opportunity
3M has 25 scholarships available for 9th-11th grade girls interested in the field of Engineering. The scholarship includes one week summer camp experience at Michigan Tech and mentorship from female role models in the industry. Applications are available in the CCRC room #1017.

Scrubs Summer Medical Camp, STEM Camp and more
Day camp held at St. Paul College where students explore medical and STEM careers. Overnight camps where students live in dorms available at Winona State University and MN State University- Moorhead to. Scholarships are available for students with financial need who qualify. Register at http://healthforceminnesota.org/students/scrubscamp_registration.html
Summer Camps offered by St. Paul College
https://www.saintpaul.edu/wtce/highschoolcamps

Stay up to date on college and career events at JHS by joining Remind text messages:
*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

Please contact Samina Ali, School Counselor- College & Career Resource Center (CCRC), at samina.ali@spps.org for further information regarding any of these opportunities.

Important News

SPRING iUpdate!
It is time to complete the Spring iUpdate for your child(ren) on-line. You can access it through your Parent Portal Account.

If you need help with your guardian username or password for Parent Portal or Schoology please call Dorene Brookins at 651-744-3604.
JHS Tutoring

When: Tuesday and Thursday 3-5 pm
Where: 1210
Come to get help!
Snacks are provided!
Independent Study!
PREPPING FOR PROM?

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

visit www.projectprom.us to sign up
Prom Dress/Suit Sale

When: March 21, 2020 (date change)
Time: 9:00am-12:00pm
Where: Hazel Park Recreation Center
Cost: No dress or suit over $5.00

**NEW this year is suits and ties**

All proceeds benefit youth programming/sports at Hazel Park Recreation Center.

If you have a gently used dress, suits, ties, dress shoes, or accessories that you would like to donate please contact Hazel Park Recreation Center.

Hazel Park Recreation Center
945 N. Hazel St., Saint Paul, MN 55119
Phone: 651-501-6350
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
The Census counts every person living in the United States, including infants. All information is confidential and is never given out or made public.

Census numbers are used by the federal and Minnesota governments to decide how to spend money on things like schools, healthcare and roads.

You can take the Census online, on a form mailed to you, or in person from a Census worker. You can expect to get information mailed to you in March 2020.

For more information // Para Mas Informacion // Xav pab ntau ntxiv / Wixii macluumaad dheeraad ah/ rh J m g Dw=Iw u B

www.spps.org/Page/37991
ramseycounty.us/census
Every 10 years, the United States holds the Census to count every person living in the country, no matter how old they are or legal status.

- Heads of household fill out the Census form for every person currently living with them, no matter how old they are or if they are living their temporarily.
- The information is very confidential. It takes 72 years for Census information to become public.

**March 2020:** Census Bureau sends invitations to all households to respond to the online form

**April 1:** Official Census Day

**April 2020:** Census Bureau sends paper form and reminders to households that haven’t answered online

**May-Aug 2020:** Census Field Representatives visit households that have not filled out their online or paper forms.

The U.S. Census:

- Determines how federal funds and Minnesota states funds are distributed to our communities, including education, healthcare, law enforcement and roads.
- Determines how many representatives each state gets in the U.S. House of Representatives

**ALL INFORMATION IS PRIVATE.**

Only the Census Bureau has access to your information. It is illegal to share Census information with any group, including law enforcement, landlords or businesses.

**THERE ARE NO QUESTIONS ABOUT CITIZENSHIP NOR RESIDENT STATUS**

All Census Bureau Field Representatives will have

- an identification badge with their name, a photograph, a Department of Commerce watermark and an expiration date
- an official bag or laptop with the Census Bureau logo
- a letter from the Census Bureau on official letterhead

For more information:
[ramseycounty.us/census](http://ramseycounty.us/census)