James Weldon
Johnson College
Prep Weekly Communication

Week of 8.29 – 9.2
I’m excited to be starting my second year at JWJ after seeing our students and teachers work so hard this past year and obtain a 54-point gain! This year our School Theme is “JWJ Survivor – OutLearn, OutStudy, OutPerform”
WELCOME
Ms. Brown to JWJ!

Ms. Brown is joining our Trojan family this year and brings with her over 15 years of worldwide educational experience from as close as Duval County, and as far away as Japan!
WELCOME BACK
Ms. Chambers to JWJ!

Ms. Chambers is starting her fourth year with us at JWJ and is looking forward to continuing the great success we’ve had while she has been a part of the team!

Michelle Chambers
Assistant Principal
James Weldon Johnson College Prep
Announcements

OPEN HOUSE THIS TUESDAY – 8.30.22!!

• Open House will begin at 6:00pm this Tuesday and parents will be able to meet their student’s teachers and participate in their full schedule.

• Parents can pick up their student’s schedule in the grade appropriate building if they can’t access it through their Parent Focus Account online.

• Our PTSA will have their first General Meeting at 5:00pm in the Media Center preceding Open House.

• If you haven’t yet joined PTSA – please use the link on the next slide, or in the email, to join and support JWJ’s PTSA as they support our school community!
The PTSA is so excited for the new school year & would love for you and your student to join us!

• By joining the PTSA, you’re not making any time commitments, just partnering with the school. We help with funding social events, such as movie night & Readers Beach (an awesome reading celebration that happens at the end of the year) and providing luncheons & treats for our teachers.

• At JWJ, we ask for donations in lieu of fundraising so no more selling wrapping paper or candy bars! When you click the link below, you’ll be taken directly to our PTSA store where you can join & make donations. Our plan for meetings this year is to hold some virtually & some in person.

• https://jwj-cp-middle.memberhub.com/store
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The JWJ PE Clothing Store sale has been extended until September 6th – please use this link to purchase PE clothes.

https://bsnteamsports.com/shop/JWJLATEAUG
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ID’s
- All students have received their free ID in Homeroom and it is REQUIRED to be worn around their neck with the provided lanyard daily. It is a part of the school dress code.
- This is a security and safety issue as we need to be able to quickly identify anyone who is not supposed to be on our campus.
- Teachers will be checking for ID’s to be worn.
- Students can pay cash at the time they receive the wristband/ID or it will be added to their student debt.
- **1st ID – Free**
- **Wristband for a forgotten ID - $1 (can receive 5)**
- **2nd or more replacement ID’s - $5**
Picking Students Up Early

DCPS Pick-up Cutoff Time for JWJ is 2:15pm on normal school days and 12:30pm on Early Release Days.

• If you need to pick up your student early from school, please adhere to the DCPS assigned pick-up times. This allows for parents to be out of the parking lots and fronts of schools so normal pick-up traffic can prepare and flow smoothly.
Updated Contact Info

• Please access your Parent Focus Account and ensure that your contact information is correct. This is the information that is used to send out updated information and we want to ensure our student families have all the correct information.

• If you need to change any information, please email Ms. Tukes, our Data Entry Clerk, at tukesb@duvalschools.org.
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Initial School Supplies

Teachers will have specific needs for each class, but a great list of basic items to have is…

- Backpack with no wheels (it **DOES NOT** have to be clear or mesh).
- Pencil pouch containing multiple pencils, pens, highlighters, glue stick, and colored pencils.
- Lined, notebook paper.
- One 1” three ring binder and one three-pronged pocketfolder.
- **FOR MATH THIS YEAR:**
  - 6th graders will need a four-function calculator
  - 7th and 8th graders will need a TI-30XA calculator
• If your student used District Transportation last year, you STILL NEED to register your address for District Transportation this year, to ensure your student will have a bus stop near your home.

• If your student needs District Transportation, make sure you have registered on your Parent Focus Account. Step by step directions can be found at https://dcps.duvalschools.org/Page/31291 or you can call - 904.858.6200.
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**Dress Code**

• JWJ is **NOT** a uniform school.

• We follow the DCPS Dress Code which can be accessed at our District webpage under “Students and Families”.

• Our most common dress code violation is shirts that don’t reach pants and expose a student’s midriff.

• For jeans with rips - no skin should be showing through jeans or pants above the knee. Students are suggested to wear leggings under jeans or pants that have rips/holes.
Laptops

- All students will receive a laptop from JWJ at no cost.
- **6th grade laptops have not arrived on campus yet.**
- The expectation is that students take care of their device, and they bring it to school fully charged daily.
- The new BEST Math curriculum is 100% digital, so students will need to have their computer in order to complete their lessons/assignments.
- Lost laptops cannot be replaced without a police report for theft.
- Broken laptops will be sent for repair and students are issued a temporary “loaner” laptop. These are older models and may run at a slower pace.
For the 22-23 school year, all schools in DCPS will have free breakfast and free lunch.

Students are receiving their ID in Homeroom on Monday, August 15th.

Once received, students will need to have their ID daily, as they need to scan their ID in order to get their lunch.

Breakfast is available for students daily in our cafeteria from 7:50am – 8:05am.
School Deliveries

- No deliveries are allowed for students.
- This includes birthday balloons, flowers, etc…
- This includes food from companies like Door Dash, UberEats, or from parents bringing pizza or fast food.
- Parents may check out their student and eat with them off campus, and then return to JWJ if they’d like to bring food, or eat lunch with their student.
If you have already taken care of this and submitted an updated immunization to the school, please disregard.

Please call your child's medical provider or one of the community resources listed below to take care of this as soon as possible.

1) Florida Department of Health in Duval County Immunization Centers provide free immunizations to children under 18. Please call the location for their hours and a list of documentation you will need to bring in to be seen. Please don't walk-in without an appointment. The scheduling number is 253-1130.

The Immunization Center: 5322 North Pearl Street, Jacksonville, FL 32208, 904-253-1420

South Jacksonville Immunization Center: 3225 University Boulevard South, Suite #200, Jacksonville, FL 32216, 904-253-1140

2) If you have insurance-- Please call the customer service number on you insurance card and ask which providers can give immunizations and bill to your insurance. Some Urgent Care--CVS Minute Clinic, CareSpot and Avecina may be options for you.

Tdap Immunization Compliance documentation (on a Florida 680 form) or a Religious Exemption form should be turned in at school before school starts.

PLEASE BRING UPDATED IMMUNIZATION DOCUMENTATION TO YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL ON OR BEFORE THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL. YOU CAN EMAIL YOUR UPDATE IMMUNIZATION DOCUMENTATION TO MRS. TUKES AT TUKESB@DUVALSCHOOLS.ORG
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Volunteers

In order to volunteer for any school events, whether with SAC, PTSA, or a club or sport, parent/guardians need to have been cleared through DCPS’s volunteer process. If you would like to be able to participate in activities on our campus for the 22-23 school year, please fill out the Volunteer Application through the link below –

For the 22-23 school year, JWJ is looking to reestablish Business and/or Faith-Based School Partners. These partners can provide individuals to assist with school activities, tutoring or mentoring, and/or provide financial support to the school as we work to create the best middle school in DCPS. We have a diverse school community that comes from over 20 different zip codes throughout the Northeast Florida area, and we believe when we impact students in a positive way, we impact Jacksonville in a positive way. If you are a part of a business or faith-based organization who would like to join us this year, please reach out to Mr. Stuckey at stuckeyj@duvalschools.org.
• **Monday, August 29th**
  Monday is an A day, so students will go to periods 1-4.

• **Tuesday, August 30th**
  Tuesday is a B Day, so students will go to periods 5-8. PTSA General Meeting – 5:00pm, Open House – 6:00pm.

• **Wednesday, August 31st**
  Wednesday is an A day, so students will go to periods 1-4. Early Release Day – students are released at 1:10pm.

• **Thursday, Sept 1st**
  Thursday is a B Day, so students will go to periods 5-8.

• **Friday, Sept 2nd**
  Friday is an A day, so students will go to periods 1-4.