



Early Dismissal,
Wednesday, August 30th
Labor Day No School,
Monday, September 4th

Axson Open House

September 14th-Lower Elem
(1st-3rd) 6:15-7:00

September 21st - Primary
(PK-K) & Upper Elem (4th &
5th) 6:15-7:00

Snacks and drinks will be
sold to support the End of
the Year 5th Gr. Fieldtrip!

JAAMS

Weekly Parent Communication

Quarter 1 #1

August 18-25, 2023



A Note from the Principal

Welcome Back! To all our families. We are excited to get this school year started.

Morning Breakfast—Students wanting to eat breakfast each morning need to be dropped off between 8:00 and 8:10 in order to have time to eat. PreK students and new K students need to be labeled (by the parent) with the child's first & last name, teacher's name, and "breakfast" so we can make sure they are escorted to and from breakfast by an adult or safety patrol.

Morning drop-off—Our first bell rings at 8:25. At 8:25, the front door to building 3 closes and the car line cone is set out preventing you from driving in the car loop. When the door is closed and the cone is out, you will need to park and walk your child into the office. At this time, we will escort your child to class. At 8:30, your child is tardy. Please note that missing the morning class routine is extremely disruptive to the class and does not start your child's day off as well prepared. One of the School Improvement Goals is to decrease absences and tardies. If we notice your child is tardy multiple times a week, your child's teacher will reach out to you. If the pattern continues, we will be scheduling a meeting to problem solve ways to arrive on time with our Attendance Intervention Team. Setting good habits early will help your child in the future, so plan ahead for the busy Jacksonville traffic so you arrive on time each day.

Car dismissal—Car dismissal begins at 2:45pm. We have had several parents arriving after 3:10. Our staff is off duty at 3:10, so our goal is to finish each day by 3:10 as we all learn the new routine. Please ensure you are in the car line by 3:00 each day with your pink car tag visible on your dash and announced in the PikMyKid app. If you arrive after 3:10 you will have to drive to the front of the school, park and come in to pick up your child. Please ensure you arrive on time.

Our First Early Dismissal Day

This upcoming Wednesday, August 30, is our first Early Dismissal Day for the school year. On these days, our entire school (PK-5) dismisses at 1:15, versus the regular 3:00 time for K-5. We will experience a higher number of pickups on Early Dismissal Days due to the time. We will begin earlier (12:45) to



ensure we get all our students out safely AND have the professional development time designated for teachers on this day. Extended Day will operate as usual. If your child is enrolled in Extended Day, he/she will still attend. Buses will be released as they are loaded. You can set your PikMyKid app to alert you once the bus is released from the school.



School Advisory Council (SAC)

SAC is a group made up of Axson parents, staff, and business partners who meet 8 times a year to talk about the school. We look at performance data, the School Improvement Plan Goals for the school year, and give feedback. In December, we do holiday cards & treats to staff. In February, we have our annual Mid-Year Stakeholder's Meeting and review the school's performance data to date. These meetings are open to any parent that would like to attend. Please join us! We are always looking for new members and regular attenders that can be a part of this amazing group of parents.

School Advisory Council 1st Meeting is Friday, August 25 from 9-10 am at Axson. Please check in at the Front Desk and we will direct you to the meeting location.



PTA News

Please join the PTA!

On behalf of the Axson PTA, I would like to welcome you to the new school year. I'm both an Axson teacher and parent, so I can attest to what a special place our school is. I encourage you to get involved! One of the easiest ways to do that is by joining PTA. Our PTA does a lot for school: raising



funds to support students and teachers, organizing volunteers, and providing fun family event opportunities.

PTA membership doesn't have to be a huge commitment-you can help as little or as much as you like. One low commitment way to show support is purchasing an Axson shirt for your child to wear on "T-Shirt Tuesday". Our monthly meetings will be held on the last Tuesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the cafeteria. You can join PTA by visiting <https://axson.memberhub.com/store>

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Our first meeting will be on Tuesday, August 29 at 9:00 a.m. Hope to see you there!

Mrs. Kori

Upper El. Teacher/PTA President

**SCHOOL
COUNSELOR**
I'LL BE THERE FOR YOU



Before all of you start to rest after the tired that comes along with being back in school, please stop by the school counseling program website so you can get a better understanding of what our school counseling program provides Axson.

<https://jaamontessori.wordpress.com/some-tips-2/>

If you need to contact me, you can reach me via email at:

brysoni@duvalschools.org

Irene "E-re-né" Aguilar, MEd



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hDHh5kRvigE>

School Counselor

J. Allen Axson Montessori

Spirit Rock Guidelines and Rental Agreement Link Below

[Microsoft Word - JAA Spirit Rock Guidelines and Rental Agreement updated 3-9-23 \(duvalschools.org\)](#)

To reserve the JAA Spirit Rock, please see Gina Allmond, School Bookkeeper, between 8:30am and 3:30pm. She can also be reached at allmondg@duvalschools.org or by calling 992-3600 option 3. If you take a pic of your child with the Spirit Rock, you are welcome to send it to me for my Weekly Parent Communication. vanhojc@duvalschools.org



Happy 6th Birthday, Bryson Happy 7th Birthday, Evelyn



<https://getfortifyfl.com/>

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and school officials. Anyone can use this tool. You are welcome to add this to your phone. It is also posted on our website.



Amy & Cecilia



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