

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER

Carl Junction Intermediate



Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parent/Teacher Conferences are scheduled on October 21 and October 23 from 4:00-8:00. You will only meet with your child's homeroom teacher. Please plan to attend a conference with your child. Your child's homeroom teacher will send out a link to Sign Up Genius for you to choose a time slot. These are very important so we can discuss the progress of your child! The first quarter ends on Tuesday, October 14, and grade cards will be distributed at the conferences. Remaining grade cards will be sent home on Monday, October 27 with the students whose parents did not attend conferences.

A+ TUTORING

THIS IS A REMINDER THAT A+ TUTORING CLASSES HAVE NOW STARTED. THE CLASSES ARE HELD MONDAY - THURSDAY EACH WEEK FROM 3:30 - 4:30. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS ARE TUTORING WITH A TEACHER SUPERVISING. IF YOUR CHILD IS IN NEED OF THIS TUTORING PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER.

TRANSPORTATION PLANS

IF YOUR CHILD WILL REQUIRE A CHANGE IN TRANSPORTATION PLANS FOR AFTER SCHOOL, YOU MUST LET US KNOW BY 1:00 PM MONDAY THROUGH THURSDAY AND NOON ON FRIDAYS. THE OFFICE GETS EXTREMELY BUSY IN THE AFTERNOON, AND IT IS SOMETIMES DIFFICULT TO GET NOTES TO STUDENTS AT THE END OF THE DAY, ESPECIALLY IF THEY ARE AT RECESS OR SPECIALS AND BAND. WE JUST WANT TO DO OUR BEST TO MAKE SURE YOUR CHILD GETS TO WHERE HE/SHE NEEDS TO BE SAFELY. THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP WITH THIS MATTER!

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

One simple way you can prepare your student for emergencies is to help them memorize a phone number and an address. We have those numbers in the office, but there are times that the computers are down, so it helps if students have those numbers memorized! We rely so much on cell phones to store information that we often forget how important it is to have it stored in our own brains!

TO ENSURE WE CAN ASSIST EVERYONE EFFICIENTLY, WE KINDLY ASK THAT YOU AVOID MAKING MULTIPLE CALLS IN A SHORT PERIOD. IF WE ARE UNABLE TO ANSWER IMMEDIATELY, IT LIKELY MEANS WE ARE ASSISTING OTHER FAMILIES OR STAFF MEMBERS. PLEASE LEAVE A VOICEMAIL-WE CHECK MESSAGES SEVERAL TIMES THROUGHOUT THE DAY AND WILL RETURN YOUR CALL AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



DATES TO REMEMBER

October 3-10: Fall Book Fair:

Students can explore and purchase new books; parents will not be allowed to shop with their student during school.

October 9: Family Library Night 3:30-6:30

October 14: End of First Quarter/ all school hat and pajama day for \$!

October 21 and 23: 4:00 pm- 8:00 pm
Parent Teacher Conferences; be looking for an email from your students teacher to sign up.

October 24: NO SCHOOL

October 31: Classroom Fall Celebration: parties start at 10:45 am; classroom parents may start setting up at 10:20am

October 31: Early Out 11:30 am



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Reminders from the Nurse

School policies and tips for preparing for the cold and flu season.

When to keep your child home:

Please keep your child home to prevent the spread of illness to other students and staff if they exhibit certain symptoms.

- **Fever:** Your child must be fever-free for at least 24 hours without using any fever-reducing medication (such as Tylenol or Ibuprofen) before returning to school. Sending a child to school on medication is often ineffective, as the fever can return during the school day, causing them to be sent home again.
- **Vomiting/Diarrhea:** If your child has vomited two or more times in the last 24 hours, they must remain home until they have been vomit-free for 24 hours.
- **Other contagious symptoms:** Keep your child home if they have severe cold or flu symptoms, such as a persistent cough (one that doesn't get better), or any unexplained rash. In these cases, it is best to contact your child's pediatrician.

Administering medication at school

- **First dose:** Staff cannot administer the first dose of any new medication. This allows you to monitor your child for any adverse reactions at home.
- **Prescription medication:** All medication must be brought to the school nurse in the original, pharmacy-labeled container. This container should only have the number of doses to be given at school, along with instructions for storage.
- **Over-the-counter (OTC) medication:** OTC medications must also be in their original, unexpired container. If your child requires a different dose than what is listed on the package, we may require a doctor's written approval.
- **Administration form:** Before any medication can be given, a parent or guardian must sign a medication administration form. This is required for both prescription and OTC medicine.

Tips for a healthy Fall/Winter

- **Encourage good hygiene:** Remind your children to wash their hands frequently with soap and water. We will be encouraging this at school!
- **Practice safe coughs:** Show your children how to cough or sneeze into a tissue or their elbow to prevent the spread of germs.
- **Stay in communication:** Keep school staff, especially the nurse, informed about any prolonged or severe illness.

Thank you for helping keep our entire school community safe during this season!

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