Back to School

WELCOME TO THE 2026-2027 SCHOOL YEAR!

OPEN HOUSE July 28, 2026 INFORMATION

On July 24th, your child's teacher will contact you by email with a link to sign up for an open house session.
All students and their families will attend Open House on July 28, 2026. There will be 2 locations: PK, K, and 1st grades will meet in the lower K/1 Gym and enter through the gym doors. PK, 2nd, and 3rd grades will meet in the JES Cafeteria for a 10-minute overview with Dr. Long and Mrs. Costley, after which they will be released to meet their teachers. Pre-K students can pick which location they would like to attend.

All appointments will be held on July 28th, during the following sessions:
Session One - 2:00 Session Two - 3:00 Session Three- 4:00 Session Four - 5:00

K-3rd Grades 1st Day of School - Friday, July 31, 2026

PRE-K 1ST DAY SCHEDULE

Pre-K First Day Details

Monday, August 3, 2026

To help make the first day smooth and special, Pre-k students will begin school with a staggered start on Monday, August 3rd. Specific details will be shared with parents at open house.

KINDERGARTEN 1ST DAY SCHEDULE

Kindergarten First Day Details

To help make the first day of kindergarten, Friday, July 31, 2026, smooth and special, kindergarten students will arrive at 9:00 a.m. Please do not arrive early as our Kindergarten teachers are helping 1st graders before 9:00. This later start allows families time to park and walk their children inside. To help reduce traffic for all grade levels, please do not arrive earlier.

Kindergartners will have a shortened day on July 31st; 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. This provides students with a gentle introduction and helps families adjust to school routines.
Please send your child with a book bag and a water bottle. A snack will be provided.



JULY 28, 2026
OPEN HOUSE



BEFORE OPEN HOUSE

Parents...**save time** by registering and paying school fees through the online process.

- RETURNING students: Complete the online student registration process through your Infinite Campus parent portal.
- All NEW Bremen City residents needing to enroll a student will start the process through the Bremen City Schools website under the Enrollment tab.
- All new non-resident applicants that have received an acceptance email can apply online under the Enrollment tab on the Bremen City Schools website.

Save time!
Register & Pay Fees Through the Infinite Campus Portal!!

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- Inorder to attend Open House on July 28th,all tuition must be paid in full, or the ACH form must be submitted no later than July 24th. Tuition payments and ACH forms should be submitted to the Bremen Board of Education at 501 Pacific Avenue, Bremen, GA.
- Payment of grade level dues can be completed through the Infinite Campus Portal during the registration process.
- PreK Parents will have an assigned Open House Appointment listed in their welcome letter. All of the Kindergarten - 3rd grade parents will sign up for a time slot through Sign Up Genius to meet with teachers to allow for small group visits. Available time slots: **2:00 pm, 3:00 pm, 4:00 pm, 5:00 pm**. Be on the lookout for an email from Sign Up Genius on July 24th to secure a time slot.
- You will receive an email with your child's homeroom teacher's name on July 24th.

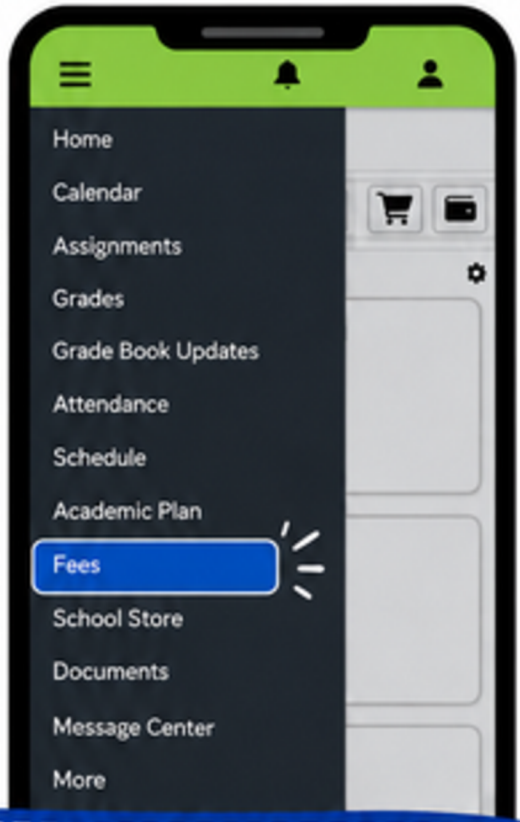


CONNECT with INFINITE CAMPUS

You will receive in-the-moment updates, weekly newsletters, and reminders through email using our Infinite Campus Portal. To download the app, search "CAMPUS PARENT" in the Apple App Store or Google Play Store.



PAY FEES THROUGH INFINITE CAMPUS



JONES ELEMENTARY 2026-2027 SUPPLY LISTS

At Jones Elementary, each student pays an annual student fee during registration that covers school supplies for the entire year, 2 class t-shirts, STEM-related costs, and other grade-level-specific needs.

For students in grades K–3, families will only need to purchase a bookbag (without rollers) and pay the grade-level fee through the school store in Infinite Campus.



Pre-K is a lottery-funded program, and parents will be given a separate supply list for their child.



PRE-K

Total $25.00

(includes field trip fee & Classroom T-shirt)

Parents purchase bookbag without rollers for their child.



KINDERGARTEN

Total $68.00

(includes all student supplies needed for the school year, Class T-shirt, Field Day T-shirt, STEM)

Parents purchase bookbag without rollers for their child.



FIRST GRADE

Total $75.00

(includes all student supplies needed for the school year, Class T-shirt, Field Day T-shirt, STEM)

Parents purchase bookbag without rollers for their child.



SECOND GRADE

Total $77.00

(includes all student supplies needed for the school year, Class T-shirt, Field Day T-shirt, STEM)

Parents purchase bookbag without rollers for their child.



THIRD GRADE

Total $80.00

(includes all student supplies needed for the school year, Class T-shirt, Field Day T-shirt, STEM, Recorder)

Parents purchase bookbag without rollers for their child.



Thank you for supporting our Blue Devils! ♡

STAY IN THE KNOW WITH PARENT SQUARE!

ParentSquare

Download on the App Store

GET IT ON Google Play

Be sure to check your text and turn your notifications on for ParentSquare, our NEW communication tool.

DON'T MISS
important school news, classroom updates, event reminders, and emergency notifications!

PARENTSQUARE IS
our official communication platform, making it easy to stay informed and connected with everything happening at Jones Elementary.

Thank you for being an important part of our Blue Devil family!

TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE THIS OUR BEST YEAR YET!



Welcome Back Messages

Cheer on your favorite JES students as they begin a new school year!

Purchase a personalized message to share on our cafeteria screens during lunch. Messages will be shared during the first week of school.

Scan the QR Code or visit:
https://forms.gle/iaXGnU3zGFnNZUZj8
to submit your message with a picture by
Friday, August 7th

Email your child's picture to: JESpics@bremencs.com

$5 per Message

Complete Form

Email Picture:
JESpics@bremenccs.com

Pay the $5 through Infinite Campus

NEW THIS YEAR!

IMPORTANT CHANGE FOR *Transportation Changes*

To ensure a safe, smooth, and efficient dismissal for everyone at JES, **ALL transportation changes must be submitted through our online form.**

HERE'S WHAT TO DO:

Complete the online Transportation Change Form when your child's afternoon plans change.

TRANSPORTATION CHANGE FORM

SCAN THE QR CODE to submit your request

NEED HELP?

Call our front office, and we'll be happy to assist you.

(770) 537-4352

PLEASE DO NOT

text, email, ClassDojo, ParentSquare, or message changes to teachers

OUR TEACHERS

are focused on teaching, supporting, and supervising students throughout the day, and they may not see messages in time.

THANK YOU

for partnering with us as we implement this new procedure. Your cooperation ensures every student has a safe, organized, and successful dismissal each day!

Jones Elementary School

UPDATE

MORNING DROP OFF PROCEDURES



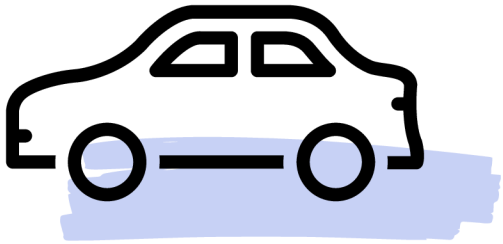
Be at JES before 8:00 am, so you're not late!

Students arrive from 7:30 to 8:00. Students are tardy if they enter the building after 8:00 am. Students who need to eat breakfast must arrive by 7:40 to enjoy their meal before at 7:55.

Breakfast

All students eating breakfast must be dropped off from 7:30-7:40 on Lakeview Drive to enter the cafeteria and have time to eat before the cafeteria is dismissed at 7:55.

MORNING DROP OFF PROCEDURES



Pre-K DROP OFF LOCATION

PK

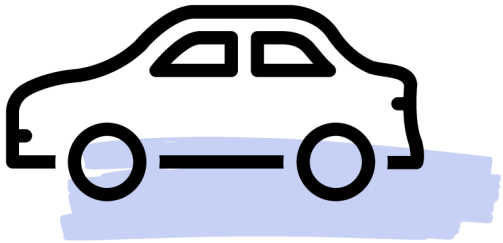
- 7:30 - 8:00 am Drop Off at Patterson Park ★
- Enter Drop Off area from Lakeview Dr. ↓
  Traffic is one-way by Patterson Park.
- Have students ready to exit the vehicle
- Yield to traffic on Lakeview Dr. when leaving



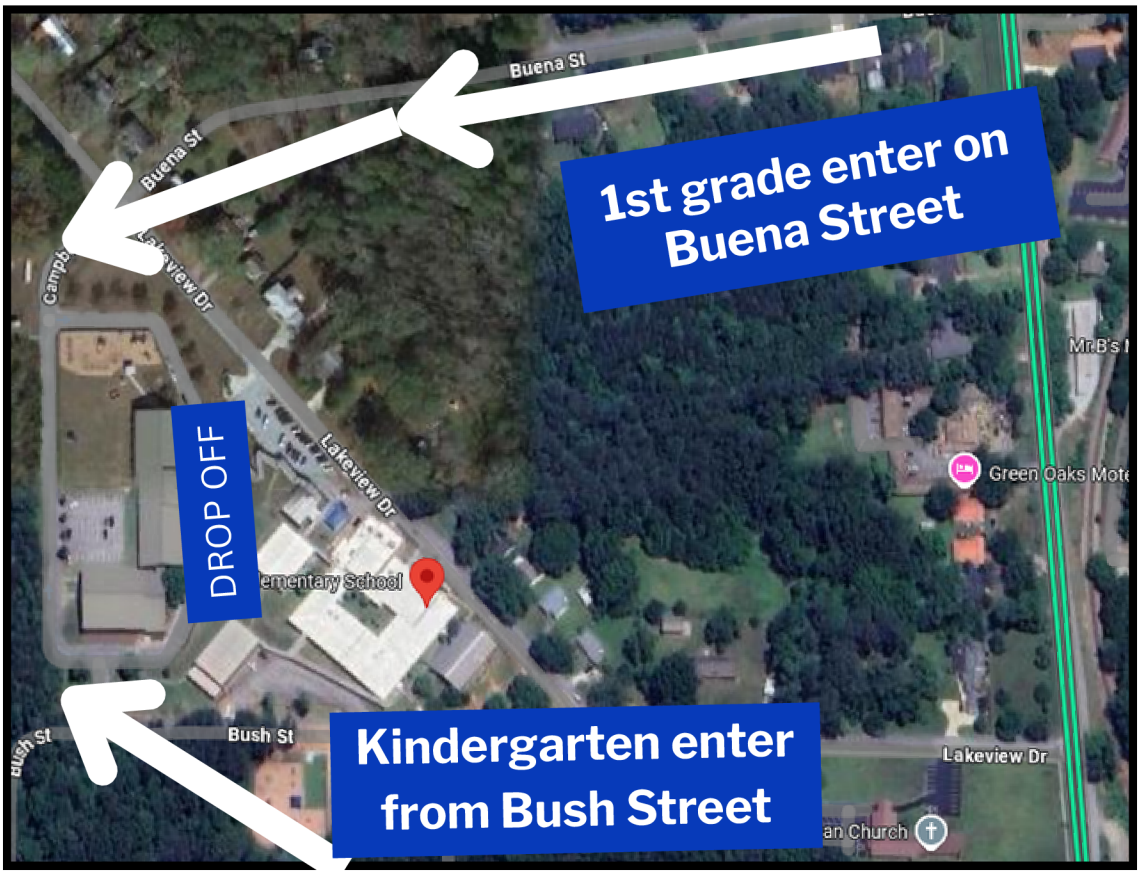


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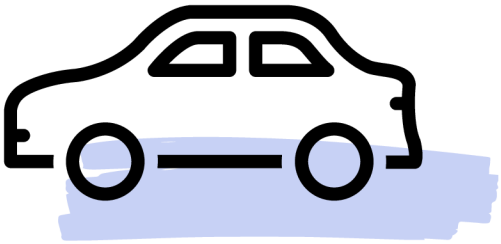


Kindergarten and 1st Grade DROP OFF LOCATIONS



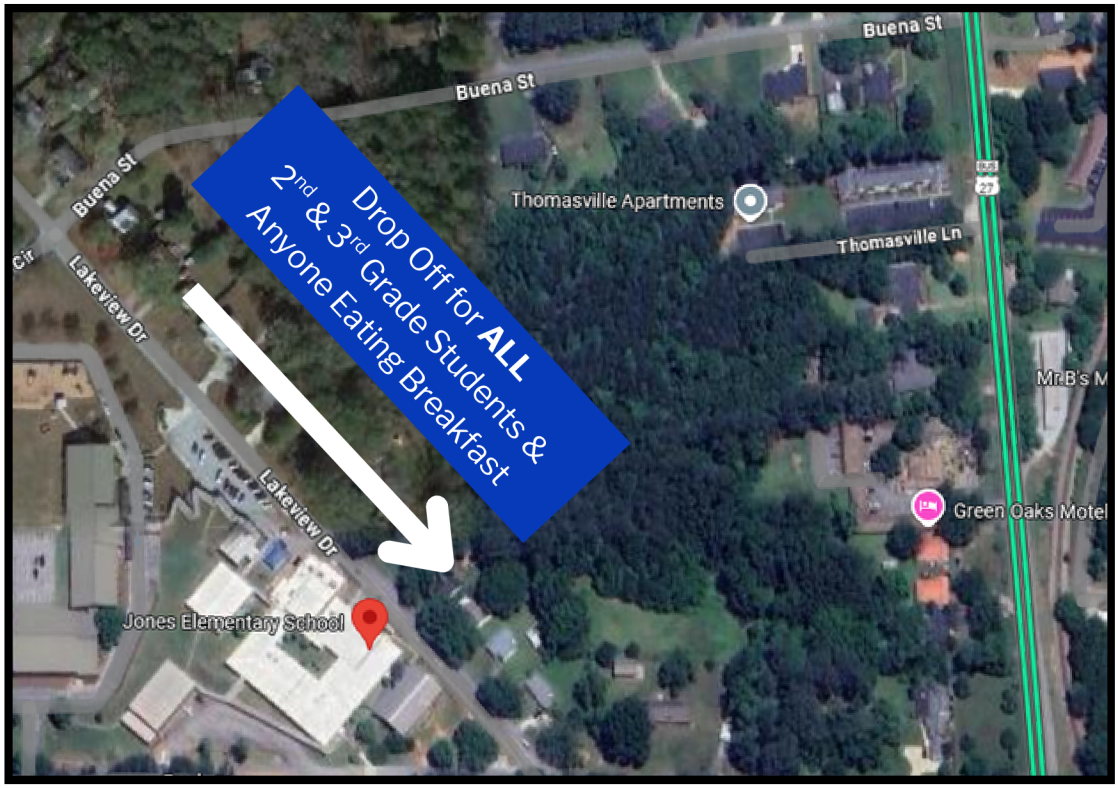
- **7:30 - 8:00 a.m. drop off at the K/1 Building**
- Have students unbuckle and be ready to exit the car once you enter the circle.
- Please keep in mind that adults are signaling you to pull forward.

MORNING DROP OFF PROCEDURES



2nd & 3rd Grade DROP OFF

Drop off for ALL 2nd and 3rd grade students is from 7:30 - 8:00 a.m. on Lakeview Drive outside the cafeteria.



- Have students unbuckle and be ready to exit the car once you enter the line on Lakeview Dr.
- Look for adults signaling you to pull forward.

PARENT NOTES FOR THE JONES' WAY

TRANSPORTATION CHANGES

All transportation changes must be submitted through an online form. Our teachers' focus is on your children at every moment. Teachers cannot check their phones often and may miss important messages regarding your child's afternoon plans. All transportation changes must come through the form. If you have an issue, please call the office at 770.537.4352. Please don't contact teachers to make any changes.



ICE CREAM FOR SALE EVERYDAY AT LUNCH

Ice cream will be sold Monday-Friday. If you wish to prepay for daily ice cream please send the money clearly labeled to your child's teacher and we will create a punch card for your child. We are also working on increasing student independence and responsibility. Students may bring their money to the cafeteria each day and exchange their dollar for an ice cream of their choice. Only exact change will be accepted.

EXCUSE NOTES

If your child is absent, please send a note to your child's teacher. Text messages cannot be accepted for excused absences.

STAY CONNECTED TO BCS

Download the Bremen City School Mobile App to stay up to date on all things BCS, check menus, read school newsletters, and keep up with BCS sports.

2026-2027 Attendance Policy

Guardian Notes



Studentsare allowed5 guardian notes persemester (1day absent =1guardiannote). Note mustinclude child's name, date, and reason for absence (accepted reasons: personal illness, illness/death in immediate family, religious holidays, court orders, hazardous conditions, family circumstances approved by principal) After 5 notes, a doctor/legal note is required

Medical Notes



Absences are excused with the submission of a medical note. The school system reserves the right to verify the accuracy of the provider's note. Tip: When scheduling appointments, please schedule them after 12:30; this will protect your child's instructional time. Medical notes are required for extended illness resulting in more than 3 days absent, such as flu.

Submitting Excuses



You maysubmit guardian and medical notes to your child's teacher or your student's respective front office staff. Notes can also be emailed to amanda.rainwater@bremencs.com

Examples of unexcused absences



Oversleeping, vacations/trips, car trouble, babysitting, running errands, skipping school

Checking out



K & 1st - If a student checks out before 11 am and does not return, the student is counted absent
PK, 2nd, & 3rd - If a student checks out before 11:30 am and does not return, the student is absent for the day.

School Nurse



Iftheschoolnurse sends a child home for medical reasons, Infinite Campus will reflect this, and no documentation is needed from the guardian.

Tardies



Ifastudent is tardy or checked out an excessive number of times, a referral may be made to the System Truancy Team.

Communication



Dailyalerts for absences are delivered through Infinite Campus. Infinite Campus also automates reminders for unexcused absences, starting with 3 unexcused absences

Attendance Concerns

5+ Unexcused Absences

Two notification attempts will be made and documented. If initial attempts fail, a written notification will be sent via mail. A school-level attendance conference may be held.

8+ Unexcused Absences

Written notice may be hand-delivered to the home by a school official or School Resource Officer. The District Attendance Supervisor is notified, a school-level attendance team conference is held, and the child may be referred to the Risk Reduction Team.

10+ Unexcused Absences

A Bremen City Schools System Truancy Team meeting is mandated. A CHINS (Child in Need of Services) Complaint for truancy may be filed with Haralson County Juvenile Court, and/or a referral may be completed to DFCS for educational neglect.

Attendance Data

- Studentswhomissmore than 10% of the school year are considered chronically absent (Approximately 18 days for the school year)
- Kindergarten and 1st grade students who are chronically absent have an 81% chance of reading below grade level by 3rd grade
- Chronic absenteeism is a leading indicator that a student will drop out of high school
- When a student misses 2 days a month, they miss 20 days a year, 30 hours of math, 60 hours of reading and writing, and over 1 year of school by graduation

2026-2027 Vacation Planner

LABOR DAY	3 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 9/5/2026 - MONDAY 9/7/2026 *STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY 9/8/2026*
fall Break!	9 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 10/3/2026 - SUNDAY 10/11/2026 *STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY 10/12/2026*
THANKSGIVING BREAK	9 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 11/21/2026 - SUNDAY 11/29/2026 *STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY 11/30/2026*
Christmas BREAK	17 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 12/19/2026 - MONDAY 1/4/2027 *STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY 1/5/2027*
MLK Day JR	3 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 1/16/2027 - MONDAY 1/18/2027 *STUDENTS RETURN TUESDAY 1/19/2027*
winter break	9 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 2/13/2027 - SUNDAY 2/21/2027 *STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY 2/22/2027*
Spring break	9 DAY OPPORTUNITY	SATURDAY 4/3/2027 - SUNDAY 4/11/2027 *STUDENTS RETURN MONDAY 4/12/2027*

A HELPFUL GUIDE FOR PLANNING FAMILY VACATIONS, WELLNESS VISITS, AND OTHER APPOINTMENTS DURING SCHOOL BREAKS. SCHEDULING THESE OUTSIDE OF INSTRUCTIONAL DAYS HELPS MINIMIZE ABSENCES AND SUPPORTS CONSISTENT STUDENT ATTENDANCE.

SCHOOL CAFE

Set Up Your Child's Lunch Account Today!

Make back-to-school one step easier by registering with SchoolCafé!

SchoolCafé allows you to conveniently add money to your child's meal account, monitor account balances, view purchases, and apply for free or reduced-price meals if eligible.

www.schoolcafe.com/bremencitysd



206 Lakeview Drive Bremen, GA 30110 (770) 537-4352 www.bremencs.com

Lunch Account Information for Parents

Keep Your Child's Lunch Account Ready with SchoolCafe!

With SchoolCafe, you can:

💳 Add money to your child's lunch account anytime.
📊 Monitor account balances and view purchase history.
🔔 Set up low-balance alerts so you never miss a refill.
🍎 Complete meal benefit applications (if eligible).
📱 Manage your student's account from your computer or mobile device.

We encourage all families to create or log in to their SchoolCafe account before the school year begins to ensure their child is ready for the first day of school.

You will need your child's *student ID number*, which can be found on Infinite Campus.

Website: www.schoolcafe.com/BREMENCITYSD

LITTLE BLUE DEVIL CLUB

THIS PASS ENTITLES THE PASS HOLDER TO ENTRY INTO ALL HOME BHS ATHLETIC EVENTS. THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE PLAY OFF EVENTS OR GAMES. GO BIG BLUE!!!
GRADES PREK-5TH ONLY

AS A MEMBER YOU WILL RECEIVE:

- 2026-2027 LITTLE BLUE DEVILS MEMBERSHIP BRACELET
- 2026-2027 LITTLE BLUE DEVILS CLUB MEMBERSHIP CARD
- PRESENT THE CARD OR BRACELET AT THE GATE FOR ADMISSION

ONLY $25 PER CHILD PAY ONLINE WITH QR CODE
**ONCE WE RECEIVE YOUR ORDER THE BRACELETS & MEMBERSHIP CARDS WILL BE DELIVERED TO THE PROSPECTIVE STUDENTS. IF GAMES OCCUR BEFORE BRACELETS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED. THERE WILL BE A LIST AT THE GATE. THANK YOU & GO BIG BLUE!!!

*ANY QUESTIONS/CONCERNS OR TO REQUEST A PAPER FORM PLEASE EMAIL JESSICA.LABBE@BREMENCS.COM

SCAN ME

TO JOIN LITTLE BLUE DEVIL CLUB 2026-2027

JONES
ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

CELL PHONE POLICY UPDATE

Responsible. Respectful. Ready to Learn.



At Jones Elementary, we are committed to helping every student learn, grow, and succeed in a safe, focused, and distraction-free environment.



As we prepare for another amazing school year, we want to remind all PK–3 families of **Georgia's Distraction-Free Education Act (HB 340)** regarding personal electronic devices during the school day.

IN ACCORDANCE WITH
HB 340





PERSONAL DEVICES AWAY ALL DAY!

SCHOOL DAY HOURS: 7:30 A.M. – 3:00 P.M.

Students may not use or access personal electronic devices during the school day, including:

- CELL PHONES
- SMART WATCHES
- TABLETS
- EARBUDS OR HEADPHONES (unless school-issued or teacher-approved)

DEVICES MUST REMAIN:

- POWERED OFF
- STORED IN BACKPACKS
- OUT OF SIGHT THROUGHOUT THE SCHOOL DAY

Students who need to contact home may do so through the school office.
Parents are always encouraged to contact the front office if they need to reach their child.

WHY THIS MATTERS

SUPPORTS LEARNING
Students stay focused on instruction and classroom activities.

ENCOURAGES POSITIVE RELATIONSHIPS
Children spend more time interacting, playing, and learning together.

PROMOTES SAFETY
Students remain engaged with teachers and school expectations throughout the day.

OUR COMMITMENT



At Jones Elementary, we are committed to providing every child with a safe, engaging, and distraction-free learning environment where students can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally.

THANK YOU!

Thank you for partnering with us to create the best possible learning environment for every Blue Devil.

TOGETHER, WE CAN ENSURE OUR STUDENTS ARE:

- READY TO LEARN.
- READY TO GROW.
- THE BLUE DEVIL WAY!

LEARN. GROW. LEAD. | *Blue Devil Strong!* | Every Child. Every Day. Every Opportunity.

BLUE DEVILS

2026 SPIRIT DRESS UP DAYS!

SHOW YOUR BLUE DEVIL SPIRIT!

8/7	@ Rockmart Jackets	USA
8/14	@ Harris Co Tigers	FAVORITE HOLIDAY
8/21	v Bowdon Devils	REAL DEVILS WEAR BLUE!
8/28	@ HC Rebels	DEVILS AT THE COLISEUM DRESS IN ANCIENT GREEK OR ROMAN ATTIRE!
9/4	@ LFO Warriors	FAR FROM HOME
9/18	v Mt. Zion Eagles	COLOR WAR DRESS IN YOUR FAVORITE COLOR ALL OVER!
9/25	v Model Devils	BLACK OUT FOR BROOKS
10/2	@ Pepperell Dragons	COUNTRY vs COUNTRY CLUB
10/16	@ Heard Braves	DEVILS WEAR PINK
10/23	v Armuchee Indians	HOCO - SEE BELOW
10/30	v Coosa Eagles SN	WHITE OUT
11/6	@ Darlington Tigers	CAMO

HOCO WEEK - SEE BELOW!

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Disney VS VILLAIN	DRESS AS YOUR FAVORITE MEME	TEEN BEACH VS BIKERS	THROWBACK THURSDAY 12TH - 2000's 11TH - 90's 10TH - 80's 9TH - 70's	11TH - 12TH BLUE 9TH - 10TH WHITE

STUDENT PICK UP INFORMATION
PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE EARLY-YOU WILL BLOCK TRAFFIC



JOIN THE JES PTO!

SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS. SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL. TOGETHER, WE MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

The JES PTO is made up of dedicated parents and teachers working together to support our students, staff and school. Your membership helps fund programs, teacher support, student activities and so much more!

CHOOSE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

$10 — OPTION 1: PTO DUES ONLY

$10 PER STUDENT ANNUALLY

- Supports the JES PTO and helps fund programs, teacher support, and school improvements.
- You will have the opportunity to participate in all fundraiser events.

$60 — OPTION 2: ONE & DONE MEMBERSHIP

$60 PER STUDENT ANNUALLY

Includes PTO dues PLUS prepaid DISCOUNTED fees for PTO events:

- Back to School Bash
- Jones Jog participation & student t-shirt
- Candy Cane Lane (5 gifts)
- Candy Grams (5 grams)
- Shamrock Shuffle participation
- Student Birthday Message on JES Digital Sign

ONE PAYMENT. ALL THESE EVENTS. ALL YEAR LONG!

Save time, stress, and money with the One & Done Membership. It's the easiest way to support your student and our school!

SCAN ME

Please include with payment to oldest child's homeroom teacher

STUDENT NAME	HOMEROOM TEACHER	BIRTHDAY (MM/DD)	T-SHIRT SIZE

PAYMENT METHOD (PLEASE CHECK ONE):

- ☐ Cash
- ☐ Check (Payable to Jones Elementary PTO)
- ☐ Online (Infinite Campus → School Store)

Total Amount Paid: $ _____

Thank you for supporting our students and staff!

NOTES

- IF PAYING ONLINE THROUGH INFINITE CAMPUS, THIS COMPLETED FORM MUST STILL BE RETURNED SO WE HAVE YOUR STUDENT(S)' INFORMATION.
- ONE FORM MAY BE USED FOR MULTIPLE STUDENTS.
- IF YOUR CHILD'S BIRTHDAY IS DURING A SCHOOL BREAK, PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU'D LIKE THE BIRTHDAY MESSAGE BEFORE OR AFTER THE BREAK.

ONE & DONE AGREEMENT

(Complete only if selecting Option 2)

- ☐ I understand my membership includes only the events listed above.
- ☐ I understand the cost is $60 per student annually.
- ☐ I understand the One & Done Membership is NON-refundable, even if my child does not participate in the above events.

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

MEMBERSHIP DEADLINE: AUGUST 28, 2026

Questions? Contact us at jonesptole@gmail.com

JONES ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

PTO FUNDRAISER

SUPPORT OUR SCHOOL!

Help us continue making a difference for our students, teachers, and school by supporting the Jones Elementary School PTO!

YOUTH & ADULT

STRIPED BLUE DEVILS



COMFORT COLOR T-SHIRT

YOUTH & ADULT

BLUE DEVILS TEE



SPORT TEK DRI-FIT SHIRT

ORDER ONLINE ONLY

Using the

QR CODE!

DUE DATE

AUGUST

14

2026

Thank you!