



LONGHORN NEWS

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Dear Longhorn Families,

I hope this newsletter finds everyone having a great start to the 2024 New Year. Our first semester is complete and we are well into some exciting events for the start of second semester. Students have been able to participate in extra-curricular activities and have had the opportunity to demonstrate their academic growth on the second progress monitoring FAST assessment.

When students took their second FAST assessment, they showed growth in math and ELA/Reading. We are pleased to see how far they have come and really look forward to our final assessment where they truly show their academic growth for the entire year.

I want to congratulate our student that represented Johnson at the prestigious All-State Chorus performance in Tampa. Congratulations Dylan! Also, we are very proud of our students that will be performing in this weekend's All-County Band, Orchestra and Chorus concerts. These students qualified through auditions and were asked to represent our school. It is an honor.

Track season is here, and we are looking forward to many of our students taking part in these meets. This is an awesome opportunity for students to be a part of a team where their individual performance can shine.

We are still accepting students that want to join track so please see details posted elsewhere in this newsletter.

Our Science Research students are getting ready for the Mainland Science and Engineering Fair. The students are working hard on their experiments and projects. I am sure they will represent us well.

And finally, our February dance is almost upon us. Students are sure to have a great time as they have at the previous events. We are looking forward to another great turnout.

Great things are happening in Longhorn Country!

~Mrs.Middleton

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

- Jan. 22-Feb. 2 - Longhorns Celebrate Literacy
- Jan. 25 & 29 - Moore 8th grade Field Trip
- Jan. 30 - JMS AVID & Cambridge Showcase
- Jan. 31 - SAC Meeting
- Feb. 19 - Student Holiday
- Feb. 21 - SAC Meeting
- Feb. 23 - February Dance
- Feb. 29 - Parent Conference Night

Check Focus and our website calendar for more details.

Mr. Eades would like to announce...

The Melbourne Square Mall Student Art Show is going on now! Johnson Middle School is well represented by our awesome students. The display is located in front of Dick's Sporting Goods and will be on display until Saturday, January 27th.



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Science Technology Engineering Arts Mathematics

JMS Full STEAM Club

JMS Full STEAM will provide students with a unique opportunity to engage in hands-on activities across various areas of study. The club will introduce students to new technologies and allow them to explore their interests. Activities range from coding, 3D printing, building simple machines, landscaping design, and plant science, to name a few.

Additionally, JMS Full STEAM Club students will have the chance to represent our school in the L3 Harris STEM challenge. However, students must obtain a permission slip to participate in the club's activities.

If you are interested in participating in the JMS Full STEAM club contact Mrs. Pegion in room 419 or email her at Pegion.Cynthia@brevardschools.org.



Order your yearbook now.
Early bird price is \$40.00.
Visit BUYTHEYEARBOOK.COM
and use code 715240.



Eighth Grade GradVenture

Eighth grade students are invited to attend GradVenture on May 10, 2024. This event is held at Universal Studios Florida for only eighth grade students. See pages 7 and 8 in this newsletter for criteria to attend and additional details.



Longhorns Celebrate Literacy

It's time to Celebrate Literacy here in Longhorn Country. Students are invited to participate in a variety of events throughout the two week celebration. Students participating in contests need to turn in a signed permission slip. The events flyer and permission slip are attached to this newsletter and available in the library, office and language arts teachers' classrooms. Join us in this year's Celebrate Literacy events!

TRACK SEASON!

Interested in the Longhorn Track Team? Practice is Monday - Thursday from 4:30 to 5:30pm. In order to participate you need to have a physical packet completed and turned in to Coach Langlie. (Packets are available in the front office.)

See one of the track coaches to get more information. The last day to join track is January 26th.

Track Meet Schedule

- 2/13/24 at Eau Gallie starts at 5:30
- 2/15/24 at Stone starts at 3:00
- 2/20/24 at Eau Gallie starts at 5:30
- 2/22/24 at Eau Gallie starts at 5:30
- 2/27/24 at Central starts at 5:30

Championship Meet
for those who qualify

3/8/24 at Cocoa High starts at 11:30

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TITLE 1 NEWS!

School and District Report Cards

The Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965 (ESEA), as amended by the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), requires that a Local Educational Agency prepare and disseminate an annual Local Educational Agency report card and provide information on state, local, and school performance and progress in an understandable and uniform format.

District and School grades provide an easily understandable way to measure the performance of a school. Parents and the public can use the grades and their components to understand how well each district and/or school is serving its students. District and school grades for the 2022-2023 school year serve as an Informational Baseline using the new assessment cut scores.

Use the links provided below to view either the 2022-2023 Brevard School District Report Card or Johnson Middle School Report Card. If you would like a printed copy or need translation assistance, please notify the front office.

[Johnson Middle School Report Card Link](#)
[District Report Card Link](#)

The District Parent and Family Engagement Plan is available for viewing in the Title I parent notebook in the front office. Additionally, the Johnson Middle School-Family Compact and School Parent and Family Engagement Plan are posted on our website at <https://www.brevardschools.org/Page/21836>.

Your child also received a printed copy of the School-Family Compact and the School Parent and Family Engagement Plan for you to review. Our school and district report cards will also be posted on the same web page.

Order your yearbook now. Early bird price is \$40.00. Visit BUYTHEYEARBOOK.COM and use code 715240.

Do you have questions about Title I? Are you in need more information? The Title 1 Contact at Johnson Middle School is Diane Hasling. Hasling.Diane@brevardschools.org

School Improvement Plan

Johnson Middle School's Schoolwide Improvement Plan, which also serves as our Title I plan, is available for you to view. Please take a minute to review our school's plan at <https://www.floridacims.org/districts/brevard/schools/3031>. Copies of this document will be made available upon request and if you would like the document translated please contact our front office staff at 321-242-6430.

SpeakOut 800.423.TIPS

SpeakOut Hotline is designed to help you anonymously report any threatening behavior or situation that endangers you, your friends, family, community, or your school campus. Reporting isn't "snitching," reporting is when you need to keep yourself or someone you know safe from threats, harmful behaviors, or dangerous situations.

By guaranteeing a caller's anonymity, SpeakOut allows the caller to give information without the fear of retribution.

FortifyFL (App)

FortifyFL is a suspicious activity reporting tool that allows you to instantly relay information to appropriate law enforcement agencies and schools' officials.

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Longhorn Library Update

Longhorn Learning Commons is continuing Monday -Thursday mornings 8:15-9:00. Join us to get creative.



SSYRA 2024 ~ How many will you read?

Our Sunshine State Young Readers Award Books will be featured in our March Madness Activity. Check out the SSYRA books from the library today!

Read the book and see Mrs. Ford to get your keychain and book tag. See the display in the library to make a book choice and decide which book is your favorite.



8th Grade Physical Education

Eighth grade students who have P.E. this semester are able to purchase uniforms before school, during lunch or after school in the front office.

Shorts and shirts are \$10.00 each.

Cafeteria Information

- Breakfast and lunch are available to all students daily free of charge.
- Breakfast daily 9:00-9:25am.
- Students arriving on late buses will have the opportunity to eat breakfast.
- For more information check out the BPS Food and Nutrition page by following this [link](#).



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Longhorns Celebrate Literacy!



WEEK 1

- MON, 1/22/24:** THEME: "Longhorns READ" (Wear blue and yellow.)
CONTEST: Book Cover Contest begins (DUE FRI, 2/2)
- TUES, 1/23/24:** THEME: "Reading gives you something to say!"
(Wear your favorite statement shirt. Must meet dress code.)
EVENT: Literacy Display on the Patio during Lunch
- WED, 1/24/24:** WORD OF THE WEEK: Longhorns for Literacy!
EVENT: Literacy Display in the Library
- THURS, 1/25/24:** THEME: "Reading makes you BRIGHT!" (Wear bright colors.)
EVENT: Personal Poetry in the Library
- FRI, 1/26/24:** *CONTEST: Literary Character Costume Contest Judging*

WEEK 2

- MON, 1/29/24:** *CONTEST: Cake Decorating Contest Judging*
- TUES, 1/30/24:** THEME: "Oh the Places You'll Go!"
(Dress in colors from your favorite college destination or your chosen career.)
EVENT: SSYRA March Madness
- WED, 1/31/24:** WORD OF THE WEEK: Longhorns for Literacy!
EVENT: Lunch in the Library
- THURS, 2/1/24:** THEME: "Reading suits everyone!" Genre Color Wars!!
(Wear the color that represents your favorite genre.)
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| PURPLE = Fantasy | ORANGE = Dystopian |
| BLUE = Sports | BLACK = Horror/Suspense/Mystery |
| PINK = Romance | GREEN = Historical Fiction |
- FRI, 2/2/24:** THEME: "Superheroes Read" (Wear your favorite superhero shirt.)
CONTEST: Door Decorating Contest Judging

Denotes student must have a signed CLW permission slip in order to participate.

**PARENT PERMISSION AND RESPONSIBILITY STATEMENT FOR
STUDENT PARTICIPATION IN DISTRICT AND NON-DISTRICT SPONSORED CLUBS, EVENTS, AND
ACTIVITIES**

Refer to school board policies 2430 and 5730 for District and Non-District Sponsored Criteria

Johnson Middle School

School Name

1-19-24

Date

✓ _____

Student Name

✓ _____

Grade

Activity/Event: Longhorns Celebrate Literacy

List activity/event

ON Jan. 22 - Feb. 2, 2024

Date(s) and time of Event

Holly Ford, Roberta Scott

Adult Supervisor

LOCATION OF EVENT/ACTIVITY Locations throughout the school including the library, patio and classrooms

NATURE OF EVENT/ACTIVITY Literacy celebrations including book displays, poetry,
t-shirt themes, costumes, interactive displays, contests, etc.

Staff/Guests who will be present during event/activity Johnson faculty and staff

Parents should direct questions concerning the activity to the school office

Name Holly Ford, Roberta Scott

Adult Supervisor

Telephone: (821-242-6430) _____

(School Number) (Mobile Phone)

(ALL THE ABOVE TO BE COMPLETED BY THE SCHOOL)

PARENTAL AUTHORIZATION AND ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF RISKS

1. I understand that participation in this event/activity is voluntary.
2. The parent or guardian and student are responsible for transportation to and from the event/activity unless otherwise specified.
3. The parent or guardian and student understand that the school district, its officers, agents, or employees are not responsible for the student during the time he/she is traveling to or from the event/activity, unless the school is providing transportation.
4. The parent or guardian, and student will assume the liability during the entire course of the student's participation in the event/activity and will indemnify and hold the School Board of Brevard County harmless for any injury or accident or property loss involving the student.
5. Parent or guardian permission for the student to participate in the above event/activity may be withdrawn at any time by contacting the school and/or sponsor.
6. In the event of medical emergency, I/We authorize the sponsor or chaperone in charge of the event/activity to seek emergency medical treatment for my child at my expense.

I/We have read and understand the information above and accept the designated responsibilities. I hereby grant participation in all aspects of the above Student Club and/or Activity/Event..

✓ Granted Denied Granted with the following exceptions: _____

(Describe)

✓ _____
Student Signature – Date
(Optional for Elementary School)

✓ _____
Parent/Guardian Signature– Date
(Required for all)



Johnson Middle School
8th Grade GradVenture at Universal Studios Orlando



May 10, 2024

Cost: Approximately \$190

What does your ticket include?

- o Transportation on charter bus
- o JMS GradVenture t-shirt
- o Admission
- o Meal
- o Rides and Attractions at TWO PARKS! (Universal Studios and Island of Adventure)
- o Entertainment-DJ's, Dance Zones, Karaoke, Street Entertainment

Travel Arrangements

- o Bus departs JMS at 4:00 p.m.
- o Students will not be permitted to "check out" of school the day of the event.
- o Students who are absent from school that day will not be permitted to attend.
- o The buses will arrive back to JMS at approximately 1:30 a.m.
 - o Please have rides waiting for our return

Dress Code

- o No **JEANS** of any kind for anyone; Cotton pants (khaki type) in any color, cargo pants, slacks, etc. are recommended.
- o **Not Allowed:** Skirts, PE shorts, board shorts, swimwear, jogging suits, sweatpants, basketball shorts, pajama bottoms, yoga pants etc.
- o No backless shoes
- o No hats
- o You must wear your Johnson GradVenture T-shirt. **NO WRITING OR ALTERING OF THE T-SHIRT IS PERMITTED.**
- o **NO LOW RIDING OR BAGGY CLOTHES PERMITTED.** All bottoms must be of knee length or longer.
- o You must adhere to other Brevard Public Schools' Dress Code Policy requirements and the School Board Code of Conduct.

"Our mission is to serve every student with excellence as the standard."

Once at the Park

- Students are free to move about with friends.
- A Hospitality Center will be available for chaperones.
- If you need to locate any school personnel, ask a park attendant.
- Students are required to adhere to the times and meeting locations established by the chaperones.

What can I bring?

- Large backpacks are **NOT PERMITTED**. Students may bring drawstring backpacks no larger than **8 ½ by 11"**.
- Girls can bring purses, but they **CANNOT BE LARGER THAN 8 ½" by 11"**.
- All items will be searched at gate.
- Cell phones, cameras, IPODs, MP3s, PSPs, money purses, wallets, etc. are the responsibility of the students. The recommendation is that no electronics be brought. Be careful not to lose anything!
- Buses **will not** be locked. Carry all valuables with you.
- All students must adhere to the School Board Policy for items that should not be at any school function. Disciplinary action will result if any violation occurs.
- All students and student belongings are subject to search at any time.

Criteria to attend GradVenture (beginning August 2023)

- Cannot receive a discipline referral for fighting, bullying, chronic disruption, or other serious infractions resulting in **Out of School Suspension**
- Cannot receive **ANY discipline referrals in 2nd semester**.
- Cannot receive a bus referral that results in **bus suspension**.
- Cannot purchase a ticket or get on the bus without a passport.
- Cannot have any grades lower than a "C" for the first semester and third quarter report card.
- Cannot have **excessive absences (10 or more) 2nd semester**.
- Cannot owe **ANY** financial obligation or library fine at the time of the ticket sales.

Tickets are expected to go on sale in March 2024.

Tickets are deemed non-refundable by the company, so if a student is later determined ineligible to attend or is not present the day of the trip, then he/she forfeits the ticket.

Great Things are Happening in Longhorn Country!



JMS AVID & Cambridge Showcase

Come on out and see what the Johnson Middle School AVID & Cambridge programs have to offer!

AVID & Cambridge Showcase

Meet with the coordinator for each program to learn more about each program.

Tuesday January 30

5:30-6:30

To RSVP [http://tinyurl.com](http://tinyurl.com/avidandcambridge)

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HORNS UP