



Staff Update

October 5, 2018

Better Today than Yesterday, Better Tomorrow than Today.

PURPOSE

Grateful

- 1. Kindergarten Enrichment**-Our title teacher and kindergarten teachers have teamed up to create an AMAZING experience for our kindergartners this year. Kindergarten enrichment takes place Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays from 2:45-3:15. This time of day is the epitome of our ONE WORD! Thank you to Katie, Karen, Kelli, Bobbie, Amanda Allen, Samantha, Colleen, Jackie and Rene for thinking outside the box to create an amazing experience for our kids!
- 2. Alicia**-I am so grateful for Alicia! She helped me present to the entire HCSD admin team on Thursday. Alicia is a natural in front of a crowd and she explained our data team process so well!
- 3. Joe our PE sub**-I know Joe can't see this but he was such a joy to have on our staff while Tim was out. Joe was kind and caring and truly seemed to enjoy his time with us! If you have a minute today, please take some time to truly thank him.

WELCOME BACK TO TIM!!!

Tim will be back starting October 8th! He will be here ½ days in the morning!

Tim, we are ROOTING FOR YOU!

R Factor Lessons are Ready

Remember you can get to our R Factor lessons by going to our Canvas course and clicking on the "R FACTOR" button. Then click "JWR Factor 2018-2019".

Here is a link to the lessons for [Kindergarten](#)

Here is the link for the lessons for grades [1 and 2](#).

Here is the link for the lessons for [grades 3-5](#).

We will be meeting with the R Factor (BIP) team on Friday to review the lessons and clarify!

The main goal is for kids to build an understanding of the BEHAVIORS of each VALUE.

Conference time is coming

It's important that we set ourselves up for success as conferences draw closer.

Here are some tips:

1-if you are going to have to have a tough conversation with a parent, it's IMPERATIVE that you **make contact with them via phone NOW to plant the seed**. Do not spring things on parents at conferences!

2-**If you want me to sit in on any conferences**, please tell me! I am happy to join you.

3-It's great to have **something tangible** for parents to take home at the end of the conference. A good idea is to create a document with strengths and goals that you use as a guide for the conference.

4-**If a parent requests and IEP** or says "I think my child has a disability (or needs special classes or makes reference to special ed..." or if they say "I think my child is dyslexic" DO NOT PANIC.

Remember, parents just want what's best for their kids.

- Listen to the parent and make sure they know that you hear what they're saying and you understand their concern.

- Continue to share what you're doing in the classroom to support their child, interventions they are receiving and be clear about the growth they have made so far.

- BE SURE TO TELL ME IF YOU HAVE THIS TYPE OF CONVERSATION WITH A PARENT AS WE WILL HAVE TO WRITE A PRIOR WRITTEN NOTICE AND PROVIDE THE PARENT WITH PROCEDURAL SAFEGUARDS!

Coffee with the Principal-Oct. 8

Coffee with the Principal is October 8th. Please be ready for parents to be in your classrooms from about 9:30-10!

Please DO NOT plan to give assessments (Panorama, pre-test, etc during this time)--parents need to see instruction.

Hilliard U is coming

Here is [the link](#) to propose a course for Hilliard U! We have so many awesome things happening here! I'd love for lots of us to present.

JW Grows is COMING!

We're so excited that JW Grows is coming! Be thinking about what you'd like to observe. Lisa and I will organize the schedule on Oct. 5th and get everything ready for Oct. 10 and 11!

Media/Tech Planning

<u>J.W. Reason (Usually 2nd Tuesday of the month)</u>
<u>Tuesday, October 9, 2018</u>
<u>Tuesday, November 13, 2018</u>
<u>Tuesday, December 11, 2018</u>
<u>Tuesday, January 8, 2018</u>
<u>February 26 (as needed)</u>
<u>Tuesday, March 12, 2019</u>
<u>Tuesday, April 9, 2019</u>
<u>Tuesday, May 14, 2019</u>

October 17 Site Visit

Hilliard has many requests each year for site visits therefore we have begun to have 2 official site visit dates per year for school districts who want to visit us. Just like last year, JW has been selected to be one of two elementary sites for visitors.

We are the AM elementary stop on the visit day. We will have visitors here from 9:15-10:15 AM on October 17th. (Yes, I know this is late night.)

The focus of the visit is-One to One, SEL and Culture.

Jim, Tasha, Jeff and I will welcome our guests at 9:15 for a short 10 minute introduction in the media center.

We will offer our guests 3 different experiences to choose from:

1. Visit classrooms for a look at One to One in action-
2. Remain in the media center with Jeff to discuss Mental Health and Wellness Data Teams
3. Take a tour with me to discuss and see Culture in action

I have contacted some of you to ask you to host visitors. If I haven't contacted you and you think you have something that would be awesome for visitors to see that day, please EMAIL ME!!!

Twitter!

I love your tweets! Keep up the great work! When you tweet please add **#jwreason** to all of your tweets. This will create a "digital file folder" of all of your tweets so that we can easily access them to share our story.

We can still add other hashtags as well like:

#jwrfactor

#jwyou

But always include **#jwreason**

Texting

Remember-we cannot TEXT parents!

No Photo List

No photo lists are up to date and hanging outside of rooms with no photo children.

What's on the calendar:

October 8-Coffee with the Principal 9:15am-10:15am

October 9-EL CONFERENCE DAY

October 10-JW GROWS ROUND 1

October 11-JW GROWS ROUND 1

October 12-Staff Meeting-JW Grows Debrief time

October 15-October 17-Conference Week

October 16-Fire Assemblies grades 1-5----Kindergarten Field Trip to Fire Station

October 17- Site Visit-more info above

Conference Late Night

October 19-No School COI day

October 20-JW PTO Garage Sale

October 22-Coffee with the Principal 9:15-10:15