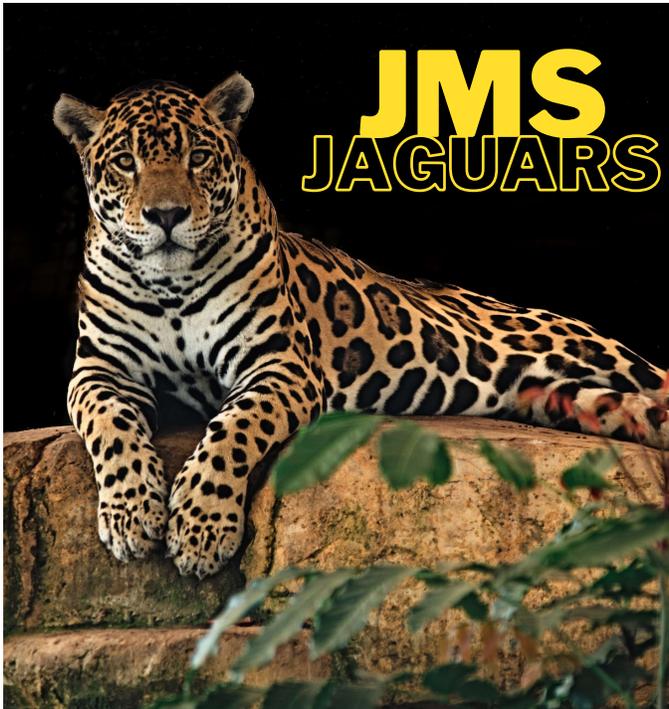




CAMPUS BUZZ

A QUARTERLY PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Greetings,

It is with great pleasure I bring to you our first quarterly classroom to parent newsletter.

Please read below to find highlights from your students time on campus, and an important message from Principal Anderson-Rhodes regarding the upcoming quarter.

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Important Announcement

October 2020,

Hello Jennings Jaguar Parents / Guardians,

It is with great excitement that I greet you at the end of our first quarter / beginning of our second quarter of the 2020-2021 school year. Your children are growing very quickly academically, emotionally, and socially. I thank each one of you for sharing and entrusting your child to our care.

As educators, we create safe and stimulating learning environments, whether it is brick and mortar or eLearning, in which to encourage and support your child. Teachers meet weekly to work on viable, engaging lessons that are aligned to the rigor of the grade level standards. Teachers are using skills such as communication, collaboration, thinking, and grade level appropriate content to meet the needs of your child.

As we identify and build on your child's academic, emotional, and social strengths and weaknesses, we ask that you collaborate with us to guarantee your child's success:

All Students/Parents:

- Create a Canvas account so that you can communicate with the teachers and monitor your child's grades.
- Attendance is vital for success. If your child is not attending school, then the gaps of learning will continue to increase.
- Ask your child to try his/her best and complete all assignments. If they don't try, we cannot accurately assess his/her learning and the teacher assumes it is a "will" problem and not a "skill" problem.

eLearning Students/Parents:

- Students must follow their schedule daily and attend all 7 classes.
- Have your child post the bell schedule or set alarms on their cell phone so they know what time to log into class. The bell schedule can be found on our website: <https://www.mysdhc.org/jennings>
- Students are expected to meet with teachers daily and complete the assignments daily. The only time this may be different is during a teacher's absent (in that case, instructions are posted on how to capture attendance and what assignment your child should be working on).

Important Announcement



1st Quarter Wrap Up:

- Students are getting the same instruction whether they are brick & mortar or eLearning.
- Student of the week has been success. Whether brick & mortar or eLearning, teachers nominate students who showing Jaguar PRIDE.
- We began our House System with students participating in a team competition during their PE classes.
- Please help us continue to keep students / staff safe by wearing mask while on campus unless you are eating / drinking, wash hands frequently, and clean up after every period.
- Majority of the students are handling situations in ways that are constructive and positive.
- As administrators walk the campus, students are engaged in their learning.
- Due to class size and the health and welling being of everyone on campus; if you would like to change from eLearning to Brick & Mortar, please contact us and provide your name, student name, grade, and contact number. We will build a brick & mortar schedule that will begin on January 20th, 2021.

Parents... we are almost there! In order to an official PTSA (Parent, Teacher, Student Association), we need a few of you who are willing to official board members for the 2020-2021 school year.

We need 3-4 parents, whose commitment would be minimal, but impactful. We will try to do the required 4 meetings via zoom or telephone, so that it will not take you away from your homes/families. This is one area where, as a school we can do so much more once Jennings Middle School PTSA has been established. Please consider and reach out to me, Mrs. Anderson Rhodes, your proud Principal.

Follow us on Twitter **@HCPSJenningsMS** to see all the great and exciting things that are happening with Jennings Middle School.

Building a Strong Community,

Latonya Anderson Rhodes, Principal

Jennings Middle School



Announcement: Backpack Food Program



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The Backpack food program will provide nutritious, non-perishable, easy-to-prepare food to children to ensure they get enough food on weekends to avoid hunger when they can't depend on school meals. If you have a student, you believe will need this type of assistance, please contact Ms. Valbrun, and I will create permission for that student to go home.

Ms. Valbrun

School Social Worker

Email: Fritza.Valbrun@hcps.net

Phone: (813) 740-4575



Getting Involved



BLUEPRINT FOR GIRLS

1ST ROUND ROSTER (OCTOBER 5TH - NOVEMBER 13TH)

6th Grade: Ms.Cobb, Advisor & Program Coordinator

Kasie Blanco
Sabrina Castillo
Valery Constante-Serrano
Naomi Everett
Celeste Garcia
Thomanique Johnson
Toni Johnson
Aja Streater
Jessica Wickwire

7th Grade: Ms. Hosenbackez, Advisor

Courtney Gleaton
Elyssa Jackson
Asia Kelly
Alena Rodriguez

Ms.Perry-Aice, Blueprint4Girls Program Advisor & Assistant Coordinator

Mrs. Lindow, Blueprint4Girls Program Advisor

Ms. Frazier,Blueprint4Girls Administrative Advisor

8th Grade: Ms.Horton, Advisor

Anieceia Mathieu

8TH GRADE TAKE STOCK SCHOLARSHIP



We have currently received 12 applications for the TSIC scholarship. The Hillsborough Education Foundation has agreed to give Jennings Middle School 10 scholarships this school year. The due date to turn all applications into the Hillsborough Education Foundation is November 6th.



As a student in this program, students gain two additional tiers of support to add to all the support already given to them at home. Students are matched with a Mentor & College Success Coach during the school year, who meet with them at least twice a month at school. The goal of this program is to help students reach every goal they have set for themselves, while helping them become productive members of society.



Students who are accepted into the Take Stock in Children program receive a minimum 2-year Florida Prepaid Scholarship, after they successfully met all program requirements and have graduated from high school. This scholarship can be used in college or an accredited vocational program of the student's choice.



If anyone is still interested in completing a TSIC application for their student to email me Wildens.Cajuste@sdhc.k12.fl.us

PRIDEful Moments

HISPANIC MONTH



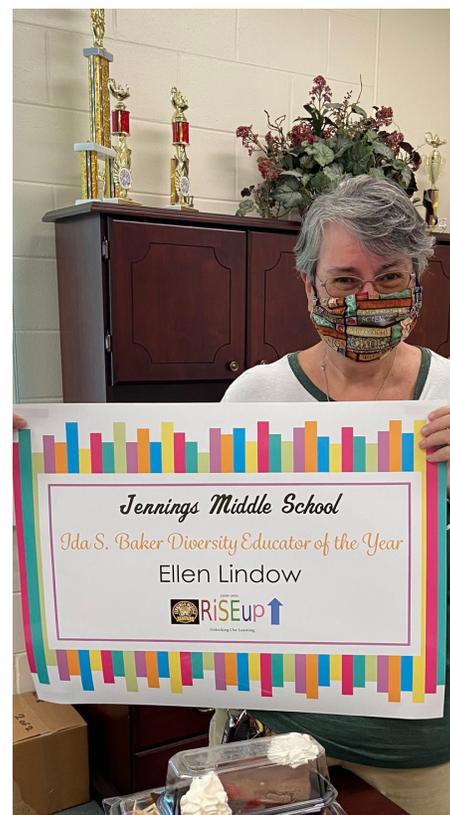
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GOODIES FOR GRANDPARENTS





PRIDEful Moments



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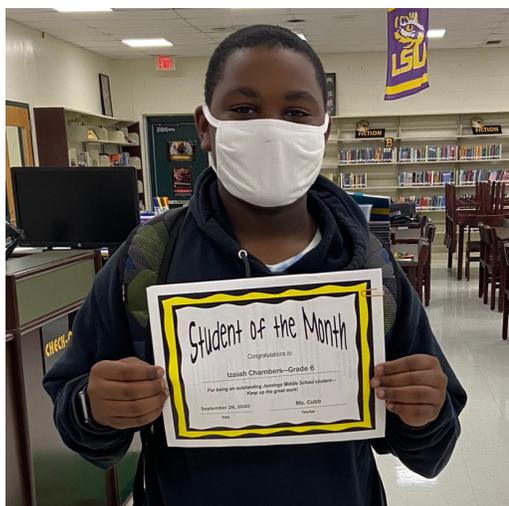
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RISING STARS
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JMS OCTOBER STUDENT OF THE MONTH



6th Grade: Izaiah Chambers

PRIDEful Moments

GREAT AMERICAN TEACH IN

VIRTUAL
GREAT AMERICAN TEACH IN
Thursday, November 19th



**This year will be EPIC!!!
Our presenters will be LIVE with our kids as they are actually at their jobs!!!**

Please contact me if you are interested in being a virtual presenter!!!

We were able to host a virtual event that will have lasting impressions! Students had the opportunity to listen to speakers as far as California and Texas about many different professions!

