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Principal's Corner



Dear Junction Family,

In past years, Junction School has had the great opportunity to work with Mister Brown. Mister Brown came to Junction again on September 16th to meet with our staff and talk about how we will achieve our mission this coming year. For those that have not heard of Mister Brown, he has been a speaker for over twenty years, helping communities connect with one another and improve their lives together. (More info at <https://www.hellomisterbrown.com/>).

Mister Brown's message about choosing well resonates with me as we return to Phase 3 just as our county is starting to experience a spike in COVID-19 cases. Up to this point, the greater Redding area, including our community of Palo Cedro, has been unaffected by the global pandemic, and our attitudes and behaviors have reflected this. Many citizens and businesses in Shasta County have been reluctant to wear masks or practice other recommended health and safety protocols. Some have suggested that this is a matter of exercising personal freedom, which I understand. Personal freedom is a hallmark of our constitution and something that I value tremendously.

But Mister Brown's "Choose Well" message reminded me that personal freedom is of the utmost value when it is exercised to make great choices, choices that improve our own lives as well as the lives of those around us. Our freedom is protected nationally by service men and women who choose to exercise their own freedom through personal sacrifice and service to country. Locally, our freedoms are protected by hardworking law enforcement officers and firefighters that also choose to make tremendous sacrifices in service to their communities. I am asking our Junction Family to follow suit, using our personal freedom to "Choose Well". This can be done by making personal sacrifices, such as mask wearing and social distancing, that will serve our school by keeping our community safe and our kids on campus.

The virus is here and the spike has begun. It is highly unlikely that we will make it to the end of 2020 without having to go to distance learning (Phase 1) at some point. While our Junction team is working together to improve our health and safety protocols day-by-day and week-by-week, we will need some good fortune, and help from our community. Please "Choose Well" and make personal sacrifices to keep both your family, and our Junction family, as safe as possible. We will not make it through 2020 unaffected by COVID-19, but we can work together to lessen the effects and keep our kids in school as much as possible during this difficult time. Start by remembering to "Mask up!" at arrival and dismissal, then please take another look at the key practices I sent out at the beginning of this school year (reprinted on the following page) to consider areas where you might make a choice to improve.

Thank you for your great partnership in achieving our district's mission of ensuring students' well-being and academic achievement!

Best Regards,
Christopher J. Nelson
Principal, Junction School

Key Practice	At School	At Home
Cohorting	Students are kept with the same group of students to minimize germ spread and aid contact tracing	Be extra cautious and practice distancing when spending time with others that are not in your immediate family; avoid large gatherings or parties
Health Screening	Students are checked as they enter the classroom; temperatures are taken if students exhibit any signs that they may be sick	Check temperatures daily and investigate any new symptoms; be extra cautious and stay home if you have any concerns that someone is sick; get the family COVID-19 tested whenever you suspect there may be a positive case in your house
Distancing	Depending on circumstances, students are asked to practice staying either 3 ft. or 6 ft. from others	When students accompany you on errands, always remind them to physically distance and avoid touching rails, objects, etc.
Hand Washing	Students wash hands throughout the day as part of their daily routine in order to wash of past germs and to make hands less likely to attract new germs	Make handwashing before and after meals routine; make sure the whole family washes hands anytime you depart from or return to home
Face Coverings /Masks	All TK-2nd grade students wear face coverings at arrival and dismissal and at various points in the day; 3rd-8th grade keep their masks on in the classroom	Keep face covering in a handy spot, such as right next to the front door, so that everyone remembers to take them on the way out
Signage	More signs have been added around campus to remind students and adults to practice the measures listed above. Some signs offer guidance and directions (e.g., where to stand/wait, how to wash hands, etc.)	Use signs, posters, notes on the fridge, chalkboards or whiteboards around the house to remind everyone of your family safety practices and health habits

LUNCH PRICES:

Lunch-\$3.00 Breakfast-\$1.50
Reduced .40 & .25

For information about school events and occurrences, please see the District Calendar available on our website.

Don't forget about Minimum Days: All students are released at 1:15 on Wednesday's

Thank you for helping Junction re-open and please remember to Mask-up.



You can order your school pictures on line

1. Go to <http://www.proimagez.com/>
2. Click on: "Order Products"
3. Type in "Junction" in the search bar
5. Enter: "Parent's Email Address" (for us to email the purchase receipt)
6. Enter: "raiders" (type all lower case letters)
7. Place Order
8. Receipt Emailed to Parent's Email Address



If you ordered a yearbook for last school year they are in the office for pickup. If you would like to purchase one they are available for \$30

Rader Read-A-Thon



JEF is holding its first fundraiser of the year!

Just simply go to:
<https://www.readformyschool.com/>

Track your progress, share with friends and family that would like to pledge. Your class could win a donut party!

The challenge begins Oct. 1st and ends Oct. 31st.

Classified Substitutes for Junction School

We are searching for individuals who may be interested in becoming Classified Substitutes for our school!

These individuals would be put on a calling list to cover shifts for our regular employees. A classified substitute could be available for positions such as Instructional Aide, Cafeteria Worker, and Custodian.

In light of recent events surrounding the coronavirus, we are unable to bring parent volunteers on our campus. Getting added to the substitute list would be a great opportunity for you to get a chance to be on campus.

The qualifications vary based on position; for an instructional aide substitute, 48 units OR a paraprofessional certificate is required. Please get in touch with Elizabeth Paris in the Junction School Office for more information. She would be happy to answer any questions and walk you through the process of getting on our substitute list!

Junction Students

WILL YOU BE TRICKED OR TREATED?

HALLOWEEN

OCTOBER 30th, 2020

JOIN US IN THE RAIDER CAFE

Find a **STICKER** Under
Your Tray, **WIN** a **PRIZE!**

During Breakfast & Lunch Service!



OCTOBER 2020


JUNCTION MENU

STUDENT BREAKFAST \$1.50
 STUDENT LUNCH \$3.00
 REDUCED STUDENT BREAKFAST \$0.30
 REDUCED STUDENT LUNCH \$0.40
 ADULT BREAKFAST \$2.50
 ADULT LUNCH \$4.00
 MILK \$0.35

ALL MEALS INCLUDE A CHOICE OF 1% WHITE OR FAT FREE CHOCOLATE MILK

*BREAKFAST INCLUDES A CHOICE OF FRESH FRUIT, CANNED FRUIT &/OR JUICE DAILY.
 *LUNCH INCLUDES FRESH FRUIT &/OR CANNED FRUIT, FRESH SALAD &/OR FRESH VEGETABLES DAILY. ALL 5 MYPLATE CATEGORIES ARE REPRESENTED AT EACH MEAL SERVICE.

MENU IS SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
 CEREAL CHOICE & ½ ENGLISH MUFFIN TURKEY or TUNA SANDWICH	STUDENTS MUST CHOOSE 3 OF THE 4 ITEMS OFFERED FOR BREAKFAST, ½ CUP OF FRUIT OR VEGETABLE MUST BE TAKEN. FRUIT, VEGGIE & YOGURT SMOOTHIE & BANANA MUFFIN PULLED PORK TACOS	STUDENTS CHOOSE 3 OF 5 COMPONENTS FOR LUNCH. STUDENTS MUST TAKE A MINIMUM OF ½ CUP FRUIT OR VEGETABLES. MORE IS ALLOWED & BOTH ARE ALLOWED. WG FRENCH TOAST STICKS CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD OR CHICKEN COBB SALAD & BREADSTICK	WG WAFFLES BEEF & CHEESE QUESADILLA	APPLE CINNAMON STICK CHICKEN NUGGETS & MACCARONI AND CHEESE
5 CEREAL CHOICE & ½ ENGLISH MUFFIN FISH STICKS & FRENCH FRIES	6 FRUIT, VEGGIE & YOGURT SMOOTHIE & BANANA MUFFIN PULLED PORK TACOS	7 WG FRENCH TOAST STICKS CHICKEN CAESAR SALAD OR CHICKEN COBB SALAD & BREADSTICK	8 FRIED (BAKED) EGGS & WW TOAST BAKED SPAGHETTI IN MEAT SAUCE	9 WG PANCAKES CHICKEN BACON RANCH WRAP
12 WG BAGEL W/ CREAM CHEESE FISH STICKS & FRENCH FRIES	13 FRUIT, GRANOLA & YOGURT PARFAIT BEAN & CHEESE BURRITO & CELANTRO BROWN RICE	14 APPLE CINNAMON STICK CLASSIC HAMBURGER & POTATO SALAD	15 CEREAL CHOICE & WW TOAST ORANGE CHICKEN OVER STEAMED BROCCOLI & BROWN RICE	16 POTATO & EGG SCRAMBLE W/ WW TOAST WG PEPPERONI PIZZA
19 CEREAL CHOICE & ½ ENGLISH MUFFIN CORNDOG & TATER TOTS	20 WG WAFFLES CHICKEN ENCHILADAS	21 HOT OATMEAL & WW TOAST GRILLED CHEESE SANDWICH & SOUP	22 HOUSE MADE BREAKFAST SANDWICH CHICKEN NUGGETS & VEGGIE PASTA SALAD	23 FRUIT, GRANOLA & YOGURT PARFAIT BBQ PULLED PORK SANDWICH
26 CEREAL CHOICE & ½ BAGEL BRUNCH FOR LUNCH	27 WG FRENCH TOAST STICKS (BEEF) TACO SALAD	28 FRUIT & VEGGIE SMOOTHIE & HOUSE MADE DONUT MUMMY (Hot) DOG	29 PANCAKE SAUSAGE ON A STICK MEATLOAF, MASHED POTATOES, GREEN BEANS & DINNER ROLL	30 BISCUITS & SAUSAGE GRAVY WG COMBINATION PIZZA

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