



Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

Sunday, May 3, 2020

Jeffreys Grove families,

Thank you to those who were able to participate in the online Book Fairs! The businesses, as well as the PTA, appreciate your support during this uncertain time!

PTA Board Elections

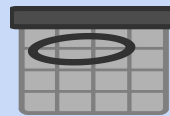
In the past, new PTA Board Members have been voted in during the May General Membership meeting.

Section 6.3 of the Local Bylaws states "Officers shall take office on July 1 and shall serve for that fiscal year (until the following June 30), **or until his/her successor is elected and ready to assume office.**"

NC PTA has recently amended their [Local Unit Bylaws](#), allowing PTA's to hold virtual meetings under certain circumstances. The JG PTA nominating committee has identified nominees for the 2020-2021 Board; all members except for one would like to continue on in their current roles.

Taking all things into consideration, I propose moving PTA Board Elections to the first PTA meeting of the 2020-2021 school year, but I would like your input before bringing this to the Board for a vote. **Please complete this brief, 3 question survey by Friday, May 8th: [PTA Elections Survey.](#)**

See page 2 for a message
from Ms. Ventura



Save the Date!

May 4th - 8th - **Teacher Appreciation Week**

May 6th - **Virtual Bike to School**

May 8th - **LAST DAY** to order [Yard Signs](#)

May 12th - **LAST DAY** to complete Free Pages

May 25th - NO SCHOOL

May 29th - Last Day for Silver Graphics Orders

June 12th - Last Day of School



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From the desk of...

Principal Ventura!

Dear JG Families:

May 4-8 is Teacher Appreciation Week, and we will be celebrating our teachers in very different ways this year. In years past, our school has held luncheons and planned other special events such as breakfasts, daily tokens of appreciation, and gifts to let our educators know how much they mean to us. Now that school buildings are closed and our teachers are implementing remote learning, we are asking parents to consider celebrating this special week in some new and creative ways. **The PTA and I came up with a number of ways you can honor teachers this week (see page 3 of the PTA Newsletter for ideas).**

Our teachers have been working very hard to implement remote learning for students and many of them are also supporting learning for their own children at the same time. **I encourage you to take a moment this week to recognize them for all they are doing during these challenging times.**

Sincerely - Juli Ventura, Principal of Jeffreys Grove Magnet Elementary

Digital Learning Resources

Shout out to our Literacy Coach, Ms. Kelley, for putting these tutorials together!

Links are coded: V- video, D - document, and W- website.

Some of our remote learning platforms include Google products. You can click on this [link \(D\)](#) to review some **Google Drive tips**. *Please make sure that your devices are all updated because your device will need to meet or exceed the minimum hardware requirements for programs to run properly.* At this [link \(W\)](#) you will find the **requirements for Istation**, which we will be using during remote learning.

It is of the utmost **importance that students login through their [WakeID Portal \(V\)](#)**. This is how students log into their [Google Classroom \(V\)](#) to complete assignments and [turn them in \(V\)](#). The **WakeID Portal is also** where students will see all of their icons for Brainpop, [Istation \(D\)](#), [Dreambox \(D\)](#), [Google meet \(D\)](#) etc. Here is a [summary sheet \(D\)](#) that lists which platforms are **accessed via the WakeID Portal vs. accessed through the internet**. The portal is a place students have visited often for a variety of activities.

Our teachers are here to help in anyway they can but [here \(W\)](#) you will find **technology support** for families provided by the county both in English and Spanish.

Teacher Appreciation

THIS WEEK May 4-8

Though our students are not in a physical classroom, their teachers are working harder than ever! We would like to take this week to recognize the work they have put into keeping our children's worlds as normal as possible, and for continuing to make their education a priority.

Below are a few suggestions of things you can do to brighten your child's teacher's day (these are just suggestions and can be done any time during the week):

- Parents, send an email letting them know how much you appreciate them.
- Ask your student to write their teacher(s) an email or send them an e-card.
- Have your student make a sign or create artwork to post it in their teachers Google Classroom.
- Help your student create a Flip Grid or video message telling their teacher what they like most about being in their class.
- Purchase an e-gift card ([click here for the Teacher Favorites list](#)).
- Ask your teacher if they are willing to share their physical address and have your students mail them a homemade card or hand written letter.
- Share what makes your child's teacher so special on social media and tag our school @JeffreysGroveES and use the hashtag **#ThankAWCPSSTeacher**.

We LOVE Teachers!

[A Message from National PTA](#)

[\(click for full message\)](#)

Get emoji-tional with us and

#ThankATeacher during Teacher

Appreciation Week, May 4-8, 2020!

Teachers change the lives of millions of children every day—their immense work and impact moves us beyond words, so we need emojis to say how we feel. And with the abrupt end to the physical school year, our teachers have done even more to continue education with virtual classrooms and learning at home lessons. All to ensure every student has the tools they need to reach their full potential.



We encourage you to tell your teacher how much you...

- Love (❤️) how they encourage you in special ways
- Like (👍) what's happening in their virtual classroom
- Celebrate (🎉) their achievements with students
- Care about (🥰) their commitment to students and families

DON'T MISS OUT!

Yearbook

[Click here to purchase a yearbook](#). Softcover yearbooks \$15 after tax, hardcover books are an additional \$7.45 after tax. All yearbooks come with two **FREE** customizable pages at the end of the yearbook! (These pages will only be visible in your child's yearbook). Yearbooks will also ship directly to your home! (Additional shipping cost is \$2.99 for home delivery.)

**** IMPORTANT INFORMATION ****

- The PTA **will not** purchase additional yearbooks this year. **You must pre purchase** a book to receive one.
- **Unable to purchase a yearbook online**, please contact Cheri Thomas at JGPTAPresident@gmail.com.
- **Unable to purchase a yearbook for financial reasons**, **please contact Mrs. Jacobs**, the school counselor at bjacobs@wcpss.net; the PTA will work with her to ensure students who want a yearbook are able to receive one.
- **UPDATED: Two Free Pages extended - Tuesday, May 12th**, is the **last day** to design your two free pages! **We can't extend this again. Click here for instructions on creating the pages.**
- **Not sure if you purchased a yearbook?** You should have received a confirmation email from treeringpayment@treering.com. You must also create an account in order to purchase a book/create your two free pages. When you login you can see how many books you have purchased. **Click here for more information.**
- **The Yearbook Committee is no longer accepting pictures.**
- **NEW: Yearbooks can be shipped straight to your home!** - The PTA will receive yearbooks and distribute in accordance with social distancing guidelines the last day of school, but if you would like to receive the Yearbook as soon as it is available, update your shipping address when ordering.
- **NEW: Already purchased your yearbook but would like for it to ship to your home? Click here to update your shipping address.** Shipping cost is \$2.99.
- **NEW: Did you know your child can request electronic signatures from their friends!? Click here for instructions. Note: This feature is only available until May 12th.**
- **Past Yearbooks:** We have 9 yearbooks from last school year; if you would like to purchase a 2018-2019 yearbook, please reply to the newsletter email, or email JGPTAPresident@gmail.com.

School Spirit

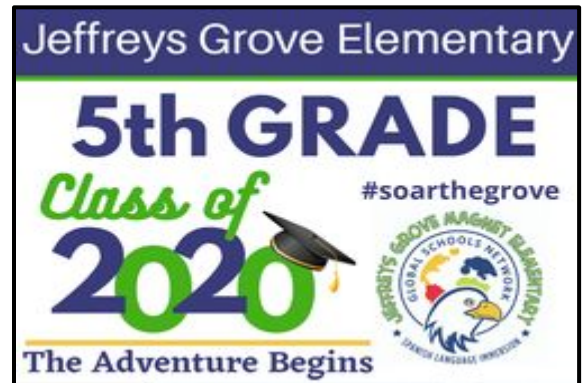
Show your Jeffreys Grove Pride, or celebrate your 5th Grader, with a Yard Sign!

The PTA is now offering yard signs for purchase.

Two Designs available: One is for 5th-grade graduates and the other is a general sign to show your support of our school.

[Click here to order one or both of these signs.](#)

Orders must be placed by May 8th.



Alicia The Musical

I apologize for the long delay on DVD distribution. When we previewed the DVD, it was very poorly done; we could not in good conscious charge for them. Unfortunately schools closed just as we discovered the issue. The videographer will not refund the \$1600 we paid him, but he did provide us with a high quality digital copy. We are currently working on a strategy to distribute the digital copy.

Individuals who have purchased the DVD will be contacted as soon as we have determined a solution.

As a reminder, **Alicia pictures** are available for **free download** at: [Sandy Everett Photography - Alicia](#)

Support Local Family Businesses

[Che Empanadas](#), [Salt & Lime](#), [Relish/The Kitchen Table at Relish](#), [Milton's](#) and [Gonza's](#) are all offering takeout (and some have delivery options). All of these businesses have been huge supporters of Jeffreys Grove; in addition, [Che Empanadas](#), [Salt & Lime](#), and [Mobley's Shoes](#) are owned by Jeffreys Grove Families! Please consider ordering a meal or merchandise from them.

We want to do whatever we can to help support local family owned businesses during this uncertain time. **If you own a business** and would like us to get the word out, respond to the newsletter email or email JGPTAPresident@gmail.com

Advocacy

From a free/discounted internet option to how to talk to your children about COVID-19; we hope these links provide you with the resources you need to adjust to our new “normal”.

[National PTA Resources](#)

[Wake County Updates](#)

[Jeffreys Grove Resources by Grade Level](#)

[Wake County's Remote Learning Site](#)

[Local Bank Food Banks](#)

[No Kid Hungry - NC](#)

[UNC-TV & NCDE Remote Learning Resources](#)

[Sheetz Meal Program](#)

[Wake County - Feeding Children](#) (this includes how to donate and food pickup locations)

[Free or reduced price eligible families can text FOODNC to 877-877 to find nearby meal sites](#)

[Find child care programs](#)

Health & Wellness



Wednesday, May 6th

Grab your helmets and lace up your shoes! Jeffreys Grove PTA invites you to **GET OUT THERE**; Get out for a walk or ride with your family! Take a bike ride past the school, or around your neighborhood.

Share your adventure with the tag
#BiketoSchoolDay.

5th Grade Corner

The 5th Grade Planning committee is currently collecting pictures for the “Moving Up” festivities. If you did not receive an email this week requesting pictures, please contact your class rep:

Ms. Cardello's Class: kblevins33@gmail.com

Ms. Fuentes' Class: latitia.haskins@gmail.com

Mrs. Sullivan's Class: monithesailor@aol.com

Ms. Vicinus' Class: kiki.roberson@gmail.com

If you have already submitted pictures, you do not need to resubmit, but you will need to email your class rep giving the committee permission to print a picture of your child.

Questions? Contact your class rep, or Alex Flynn at alexandraflynn@gmail.com

Silver Graphics

Ms. Shaffer, the Art Teacher, worked with each grade level on a special Art project that was then sent to Silver Graphics. Silver Graphics uploads the images and parents are then able to buy a wide range of items, personalized, with their child's art.

Even though we aren't physically in school, we didn't want you to miss out on the opportunity to preserve your child's art in a beautiful keepsake.

Follow the instructions on the flyer to order; all items will ship directly to your home.

Contact Silver Graphics directly for questions.

Order Online:

- Go to: <https://www.silvergraphics.com/shop/> and enter your **School Access Code: ART20JG**
- Search** for your art by class, teacher and student name

♥ fundraising with heART ♥ at Jeffreys Grove Elementary



Order your child's art
 on these products!

Your child created awesome artwork for our SilverGraphics Fundraiser! You can view your child's art in our Online Art Gallery where you can select from a variety of personalized products like the one's featured on this page. These items make great one-of-a-kind gifts and collectibles. Don't miss this chance to take home a memento of your child's school year!

After you select your child's art, you can even upload more art and order from multiple pieces!

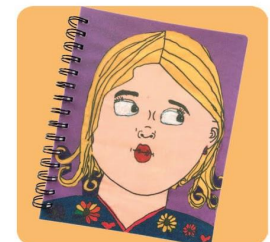
ORDER

View your child's art and place your order at:

<https://www.silvergraphics.com/shop>

Enter School Access Code: ART20JG

All orders will ship to your chosen address.



Open PTA Positions

We currently have the following positions open for next school year:

Membership - develop new incentives & coordinate events

School Spirit Merchandise - propose designs, fill orders, coordinate events

Yearbook* - design & distribute the yearbook

Silent Auction* - coordinate item collection & create online auction using existing program

Go Play Save - coordinate sales (moving to online App sales)

Passive Fundraising/Grants* - Seek out opportunities & coordinate with Grant Writer

Spirit Nights* - contact businesses, create/distribute flyers, coordinate PTA representatives at the event

Cultural Arts - Schedule artists, coordinate events, assist artists as needed



Why should YOU become a committee lead?

- **Get Connected**; there's no better way to know what's happening in your school.
- Tap into a **Network** of parents
- **Speak Up**; we want to hear your ideas!
- Witness Improvement and **Be Part of It**.
- **Be a Role Model** for your child

The National Education Association studies show **parent, family, and community involvement in education correlates with higher academic performance and school improvement.**

Being a committee lead does not mean you do it all. The positions denoted with an "*" above can be managed from home at your convenience.

We have people who can make copies and deliver orders, but **we need people to coordinate and manage committees.** If you're interested contact us at JGPTAPresident@gmail.com. We know your time is valuable and we respect that, but we can't make JG the best it can be without you!



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