

### Jeffreys Grove Magnet | PTA NEWSLETTER

## **Jeffreys Grove families,**

We are planning our first Virtual General Membership meeting in September. We will officially vote in the 20-21 PTA Board, vote on the proposed 20-21 Budget, and share information concerning our No Fuss Fundraiser! This year we are hoping to raise money for much needed Technology Upgrades. Registered JG PTA Members will receive a special invite via email at the end of the week. Stay tuned for more information, and if you aren't a JG PTA Member, click here to join!

Sunday August 30th, 2020



### **Save the Date!**

September 1<sup>st</sup> - PTA Board Meeting

September 6th - GoPlaySave Sale Ends

September 7<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)

September TBD - General PTA Meeting

September 28<sup>th</sup> - NO SCHOOL (Teacher Work Day)

MemberHub & Social Media will be vital to staying informed this year!

From the desk of...

## **Principal Ventura**

**Dear IG Families:** 

We are starting week 3 of online learning which means we are out of the orientation period and will begin the regular schedules mentioned in my August 23rd newsletter. Click here for grade level schedules (see tabs at the bottom of the workbook).

At this point I hope your student is settling into a routine and becoming more comfortable with their online classroom. Our teachers and staff are working hard to address issues as they arise; thank you for your continued support and understanding.

If you have not picked up your student(s) materials, please contact the school to coordinate pickup.



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Read Past PTA Newsletters

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# JG PTA Membership - Click Here to Join!

#### What does the PTA do?

Though this year will be different from past years, the JG PTA will continue to keep you informed; advocate for our students and staff; organize Staff Appreciation events throughout the year; fund Cultural Arts events, provide Creative Teaching Grants (funding for Teaching materials that aren't provided by the district, or online subscriptions not generally offered); support Staff Development; and Special Projects - this year we are hoping to fund technology upgrades.



#### **Additional Information:**

- Joining the PTA doesn't obligate you to attend meetings or participate in any events/fundraisers, but ONLY registered JG PTA members will receive virtual meeting information; and only registered JG PTA members are able to vote.
- Memberships run for one year and expire June 30th. If you joined last year you will need to renew your membership by clicking the link above.
- Anyone can join the JG PTA; we welcome grandparents, other family members, and community members; anyone who is invested in our children's education.

### **New JG Families**

If this was a normal school year, your child would say the Jeffreys Grove Pledge each morning and would be asked to SOAR, but what is "SOAR"ing at Jeffreys Grove? Click here for the JG SOAR matrix. Share this information with your student(s), so they are familiar with what is expected of them when they return to school. Also, talk about how these principles can be applied to online learning.

## **Jeffreys Grove Pledge**

As a Jeffreys Grove Eagle I will soar by showing self control more and more. I will own my own actions every day, accepting what others have to say. I will show respect to everyone and make great choices one by one. I'm a positive role model for all to see, I'm a soaring eagle from JGE!





# **GoPlaySave Mobile App - ENDS THIS WEEK!**

The Jeffreys Grove PTA (JG PTA) is selling GoPlaySave mobile coupon books this year. A great way for your family to help our school and enjoy trying new places or visiting your favorites. **Mobile** books sell for \$30 and include Raleigh, Durham/Chapel Hill, and surrounding

areas. Due to Covid-19 we will sell the mobile book only, and for every mobile book we sell, JG PTA will earn \$15! The books don't expire until Nov. 30, 2021, so hopefully we will all feel more comfortable going out more before too long. GoPlaySave has over \$10,500 in local savings to great restaurants, services, and entertainment. This is a great way to support and help our local businesses. **To see our participating merchants,** click this link. We will officially start our sale Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> when school starts but you can get a head start by clicking on our custom link <a href="https://www.goplaysavetriangle.com/store/JGE2021">www.goplaysavetriangle.com/store/JGE2021</a> now and purchasing the mobile book to be used right away. Once there, you can click on the green button to create your own personal link and email or text it to friends, coworkers, and family to help raise money for our school, and earn free mobile books and other prizes. By creating your own link you will receive an email every time you have an online order.

Questions? Email Garbrielle Rhodes and Alexandra Flynn at <a href="mailto:JGPTAGoPlaySave@gmail.com">JGPTAGoPlaySave@gmail.com</a>

## **Coming Next Week!** - Sneak Peek

In the next newsletter there will be links to purchase Spirit Wear and Yard Signs! Here's a sneak peek of the new designs!

We're bringing back a design used in the 80's; and we've added a kindergarten yard sign! You will also be able to choose from sweatshirts, hoodies, t-shirts and more in the online Spirit Wear store!













## **Passive Fundraisers**

### SIMPLE WAYS YOU CAN HELP THE PTA RAISE MONEY FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS... TODAY!

Fundraising is an essential part of our PTA's mission to enhance the educational experience of our children and the teaching environment for our teachers. Utilize the following the companies to help raise money for our school; these companies donate a percentage of what you spend to Jeffreys Grove!! Questions? Email JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com



#### Link your Harris Teeter VIC card to Jeffreys Grove.

\*\*You must re-link your VIC card each year in order for Jeffreys Grove to earn money on your purchases. If you don't already have a rewards card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Harris Teeter.

Harris Teeter: When you are checking out, ask the clerk to link your rewards card with Jeffreys Grove Elementary #2451.



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#### Earn money for JGMES while you shop at Amazon!

Visit smile.amazon.com and link your account to our school by selecting: Jeffreys Grove Elem School PTA. \*\*The only catch is that you must go to **smile.amazon.com** each time you shop in order for our school to earn 0.5% on each eligible purchase you make.



**Download the new Box Tops for Education app**, select Jeffreys Grove as your school and just scan your receipt in the app. Our school will receive a credit for any participating box tops items you have purchased. Note: Receipts must be scanned within 14 days of purchase.

### Corporate Matches and Business Sponsors

Jeffreys Grove PTA is non-profit organization; we currently receive funds from IBM, SAS, and GlaxoSmithKline, thanks to amazing parents who've chosen to support Jeffreys Grove through their employers. We also have a number of business sponsors, which include parent-owned businesses as well as surrounding businesses. If you own a business, or work for a company that offers a match program click here. Have questions? Contact Sarah Edge, our VP of Fundraising, at <a href="mailto:JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com">JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com</a>.

The Students, Staff and Families of Jeffreys Grove appreciate any and all support!



## **Advocacy**

The primary mission of the PTA is "to make every child's potential a reality by engaging and empowering families and communities to advocate for all children.' The best way we can advocate for all children is to vote, and encourage others to vote, for candidates who support the PTA's mission and public education.

Click here to access questions National PTA has compiled for you to ask candidates.

National PTA believes more resources are needed in order for schools to open safely:

"There are numerous critical needs children, families, educators and schools are facing during the coronavirus pandemic. While Congress has provided some relief to our nation's children, families and the educational system in previous legislative packages, there are additional needs that must be met before the school year starts... Please contact your Members of Congress today and ask them to provide the critical funding needed to reopen schools."

Click here to read more

Click here to read about #StopCutstoClassrooms

Click here to read about Every Student Succeeds Act

Click here to find your elected officials

### **Key Legislation**

Find out which bills in Congress National PTA supports, opposes and is monitoring.

Read More →

#### Federal Public Policy Agenda

Learn more about National PTA's policy agenda for the 116th Congress on issues impacting children, families and schools. Read More →

### **Letters to Policymakers**

Read every letter National PTA has sent to policymakers this year to improve the education, health and well-being of all students and families.

Read More →

### Resources

**National PTA Resources** 

**Wake County Updates** 

**Local Bank Food Banks** 

No Kid Hungry - NC

**UNC-TV & NCDE Remote Learning Resources** 

Free/Reduced School Meals

Pandemic Electronic Benefits Program

(P-EBT) for Eligible Families

# Remote Learning Support Links

Wondering how to access the **Wake ID Portal**, or **Google Classrooms**? These links are a great resource!

- <u>Click here</u> for WCPSS Guides to Technology for Parents & Students
- <u>Click here</u> for answers to common questions around Remote Learning.
- <u>Click here</u> for WCPSS School Communications information, and to opt into text messages









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### **Facebook Live Parent Workshops**

**WCPSS Family Academy** 

www.facebook.com/WCPSS-Family-Academy-277563949100964

DATE	TOPIC	DATE	TOPIC
08/06/2020	A Great Start for Your Kindergartener!	12/03/2020	Communicating with Your Teenager Effectively
08/11/2020	Navigating the different virtual platforms that teachers use in Elementary School	12/10/2020	How to apply for Early College and Magnet Schools
08/18/2020	How to communicate with your child's teacher virtually (Google Meet and Zoom)	01/07/2021	Developing Good Homework Habits
08/20/2020	How to Support Academic Growth Your Child Using Online Learning Tool	01/12/2021	Tips for Successful Parent-Teacher Conferences
08/25/2020	Transitioning to Middle School	01/21/2021	Teaching Your Child How to Deal with Peer Pressure
09/03/2020	Transitioning to High School	02/04/2021	Identify Bullying and Protect Your Child Against It
09/10/2020	Navigating Wake County Public School System (WCPSS)	02/18/2021	Preparing Your Child for the End of Grade (EOG) Tests (3 -8th)
09/17/2020	Getting to Know the U.S.A. Educational System	03/04/2021	Helping Your Child Reduce Test Stress
10/01/2020	Parent Advocacy and Engagement in Your Child's Education	03/18/2021	Today's Math: "I didn't learn math like that!" (K-5th)
10/15/2020	How to identify that your child is suffering from cyber bullying	04/08/2021	Connecting your child to College and Beyond through CFNC
10/29/2020	Learn How to Motivate Your Child to Thrive in School	04/15/2021	Developing Academic Vocabulary at Home Using Hands-on Activities (K-5th)
11/12/2020	Today's Math: "I didn't learn math like that!" (K-5th)	04/29/2021	Getting Ready for College/University
11/19/2020	Building a Positive Relationship with Your Elementary School Child	05/20/2021	How to Support Academic Growth over School Breaks

#### **FAMILY ACADEMY DISTRICT SPECIAL EVENTS**

- Saturday, October 17, 2020 at 11:00 am Don't miss this presentation!
   "No More Wimpy Parenting" With our special guest Dr. Wynns, expert in child psychology and parenting issues.
- Thursday, December 10, 2020 "How to Apply to Magnet Schools" at 5:30PM.
- Tuesday, January 19, 2021 "How to Apply to Pre-K". " at 5:30PM.

DON'T MISS THESE SPECIALS EVENTS!





## **Business Sponsors**

Want your business logo featured in the weekly newsletter? Contact Sarah Edge, VP of Fundraising, at <a href="mailto:JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com">JGPTAFundraising@gmail.com</a> to find out how to become a

JG Platinum Sponsor!

