

JENNINGS MIDDLE SCHOOL

August 2020



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

August 18, 2020

Hello Jaguar Family,

We hope this message finds you and your family health and safe.

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! Your Administrative team, Faculty and Staff extend a warm welcome to Jennings Middle School, and our #JAGNATION family. Whether you have chosen eLearning or face-to-face learning, we can not wait to see you!

"At Jennings Middle School, we exhibit P.R.I.D.E. in all that we do; we are Positive, Respectful, In-Control, Dependable, and Engaged." We are enthusiastic about the opportunity of collaborating with parents and guardians to make the most of your child's individual talents. We will work together as a team to "Rise Up: Unlocking Our Learning."

Due to the COVID pandemic; we have some learning gaps that we must cover, but we are ready. If you are returning to face- to- face learning please wear your mask daily, always walk to the right, keep your hands clean and to your yourself. We are currently working on a schedule to ensure the cleaning of high touch areas between each period. Everyone must do their part to be safe and healthy.

Our 2020-2021 areas of focus are on instruction, behavior, and culture. Instructionally, we will design grade level appropriate lessons to depth of knowledge to the standard. Behaviorally, our goal is to increase the number of students who are front of their teachers daily, by decreasing the number of students who are suspended out of school. If students are not in front of teachers, they are not learning. Culturally, we want to communicate with you better about your child and school. We will also have some beautification projects around campus.

As stated earlier, attendance is a major component to student success. Our goal is increase from 78% to 83%. Again, we have a lot of learning to make up for, so it's important that your child comes to school daily if he/ she is healthy and fever free.

Our theme for the 2021 school year is "Rise Up!:" We will rise from the COVID pandemic by being intentionally being safe. We will rise from the Learning gap by offering grade level appropriate lessons to students and provide support for learning. We will rise by creating a strong culture of being a part of a learning community. We rise, we rise....together we rise. Welcome to the 2021 school year.

Please review all the documents in this packet so that you are aware of what is coming up and how you can be an active participant in your child's success. Return the one signature page and the signed and updated emergency card.

With Jaguar P.R.I.D.E,
Mrs. Latonya Anderson Rhodes
Principal, Jennings Middle School

2020-2021 Important Dates Semester One

Meet & Greet	August 18
Student's 1 st Day (eLearn)	August 24
Student's 1 st Day (face-to-face)	August 31
Labor Day Holiday	September 7
Progress Reports	September 8
Conference Night (tentative)	September 10
End of 1 st 9 weeks	October 11
Veteran's Day Holiday	November 11
Progress Reports	November 17
Conference Night (tentative)	November 19
Fall Break -	November 23-27
End of 2 nd . 9 weeks	December 18
Winter Break	Dec. 21 – Jan. 4



Meet & Greet / Open House:

August 18, 2020

Virtually

(if you missed it, here is the link)

<https://youtu.be/Zsxxv3f3h9Mg>

SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND BACKPACKS

BACKPACKS: Students may carry a backpack (**without wheels**) to and from school

SUPPLIES: Individual teachers and teams will distribute supply lists at the Meet & Greet or on the first day.

Each student will need a spiral notebook for each of their classes (7) which will need to be replaced each quarter. However, if you would like to purchase some supplies in advance, we recommend only purchasing basic supplies such as:

Loose-leaf notebook paper
Pencils
Folders, Scissors, Glue Sticks, Post-it-Notes
Black and Blue pens, marker, highlighters
One pack dry erase markers
Refillable Water bottle
Plug in headphones

Face-to-face Learners: Please bring your supplies daily. Due to COVID, we cannot share

HOST

We will offer the HOST (Before-School Care) program for \$.

Please contact Brandy Robarts-Molina at:

Brandy.robartsmolina@sdhc.k12.fl.us



ELP

FSA

JAG Time

Come learn how to tame FSA together!

Our Extended Learning Program (ELP) is offered for additional academic support.

For more information contact your grade level guidance counselor at 740-4575.

ATTENDANCE

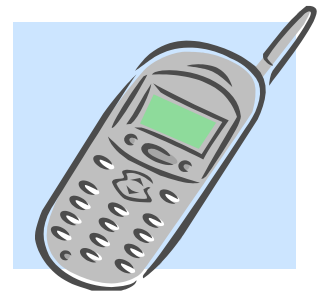
Please help your child understand the importance of an education and that daily attendance is absolutely essential for academic success.

If your child is absent, a phone call is required.

The telephone number for our 24 hour automated system is (813) 740-4575 press 1.

Please leave:

- Your child's first and last name
- Your child's student number
- Your own first and last name
- The date of the absence
- The reason for the absence
- A phone number where you can be reached



SIGN-IN

Any student arriving to school after school has begun **MUST** report to the Main Office with a parent. A tardy pass shall be issued indicating excused or unexcused.

Excessive unexcused tardies will adversely affect your child's academic success.

SIGN-OUT

Pre-approved and Emergency

During school hours, the principal or his designee shall permit a child to leave school only in the custody of one of the following adults:

- Legal guardian of the student, with photo ID
- Person listed on emergency contact card, with photo ID

Students may not be signed out after 2:30 pm on Mondays and 3:30 pm, Tuesdays - Fridays.

IMMUNIZATION RECORDS:

Mandatory 7th Grade and STEP students
Vaccination Requirements

Students **will not** be able to start seventh grade unless they are compliant with immunizations in accordance to Florida State Law. **Florida Certificate of Immunization (680 Form) must be provided to the school by August 12, 2019 or your child will be excluded from class.**

The following immunizations are required for **seventh grade entry**:

- **DPT** (diphtheria, peruses, and tetanus) – 5 doses
- **Polio Vaccine** (IPV, OPV) - 4 doses
- **MMR** (measles, mumps, rubella) – 2 doses
- **Hepatitis B Series** (3 doses)
- **Varicella** (Chicken Pox - 2 doses)
- **Tdap** (7th grade shot)

For more information visit our web site @ <http://jennings.mysdhc.org>

Contact your physician or the Hillsborough County Health Department. Immunizations are provided FREE at the Health Department, (813)307-8077.
Main Hargrett Building
Immunization Clinic
2002 E. 26th. Avenue
Tampa, Florida

CLINIC INFORMATION:

- All prescription and non-prescription medications will be administered by the school nurse. Students should not have ANY medication in their possession at school (prescription or non-prescription). Medications must be checked in with the nurse in the original containers with the doctor's instructions.
- Students are allowed to carry **epi pens** as long as the proper paperwork has been completed and is on file in the clinic. This is the only exception to students having medication on their person.
- If you have questions or concerns, please call the school health personnel at **740-4575 ext. 240**. Please note that once a day medications containing narcotics will not be administered by the school health personnel.

Shot records may be turned in to the school office prior to or during Open House, or on the first day of school.

Common areas and classrooms:

Students must wear face covering upon entry to the school and at dismissal of the school. Students must wear face coverings in each area where social distancing is not possible. This includes when entering buildings and, in a classroom, if desks are not spaced at least six feet apart, as well as cafeterias, hallways and other shared spaces. Teachers can work with students to provide designated “mask breaks” during which time students will be socially distanced.

Classroom Modifications:

- Student desks should be separated to allow for social distancing as much as possible (3-6 ft)
- No cloth chairs or beanbags will be allowed.
- Remove non-essential furniture to maximize space.

Cleaning & Sanitizing

- Sanitation Stations should be set up in each room. HCPS will provide the supplies (gloves, wipes, and hand sanitizer)
- A class procedure should be in place for students to clean their workspace before leaving the room and upon arrival.

Clinic Procedures:

Students who express they are ill or injured should be sent to the clinic with a pass. The nurse will assess the student and determine next steps. If a student exhibits COVID symptoms, he/she will be isolated, and a parent will be called for immediate pick up. In our clinic, there will be two separate sides of the room for students. One side will be for basic first aid situations, and other side of the room will be for students exhibiting symptoms of COVID-19. Once it is determined that a student or staff member are experiencing symptoms of COVID-19, the clinic will be closed.

Students that were sent home due to a fever must see the nurse before returning to the classroom. This will be communicated to families upon parent pickup. The nurse will give the student a Clinic clearance pass to show their first period teacher for re-entry into the classroom.

Communication: Upon notification of a positive result, a parent or employee will notify their principal or supervisor, respectively. The principal or supervisor will notify the regional superintendent or assistant will communicate details with the Supervisor of School Health Services, Director of Safety and Risk Management, and the Chief of Communications and Media Relations. The Chief of Communications and Media Relations will alert the Superintendent, anyone who has come into direct contact with the positive individual, and the school site.

If an individual test positive for COVID-19: Individual should follow the recommendations of their healthcare provider for isolation protocol.

Returning to campus: At least 10 days have passed since symptoms appeared; at least 24 hours fever-free without using fever-reducing medication, and all other symptoms have subsided.

Contact tracing: Hillsborough County Public Schools is collaborating with the Department of Health to conduct contact tracing. Upon notification of a positive case on campus, the district’s Department of School Health Services will also communicate with administration to track movement of the person who tested positive and secure affected areas. Impacted individuals will be notified.

Deep cleaning: If a positive COVID-19 case is determined within a school or building, district staff will use an approved chemical and fogging machine to disinfect any area deemed appropriate by contract tracing processes.

School closures: School closures due to cleaning or positive cases will be determined on a school by school basis and appropriate protocols.

To find your bus information, go to <https://sdhc.k12.fl.us>, click on families and scroll to the bottom of the page. There you can click on the school bus.



You will see this screen. Click on FIND MY STOP.

Keep the Wheels of Education Rolling!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Transportation Call Center can be reached at 813-982-5500 between the hours of 6:00AM - 6:00PM on Mondays and 6:00AM - 7:00PM Tuesday thru Friday. If you have an emergency beyond our scheduled hours of operation you can reach our School Security at 813-623-3996.

Find My Bus Stop: [WebQuery](#) will have up-to-date busing information for the 2019-20 school year.

If eligible for Transportation please update your address at your school site ASAP to get your busing information.

Magnet Ramp Schedule: Parent Pick-up time: 3:45pm-4pm; Drop-off time 6:50am -7:00am

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August 2019



“Jaguar Pride”

P.R.I.D.E. Pledge

I am a Jennings Jaguar

I will be Positive and Respectful with what I do and say

I will be In Control

I will be Dependable

I will be Engaged In learning

I will have Jaguar PRIDE

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