

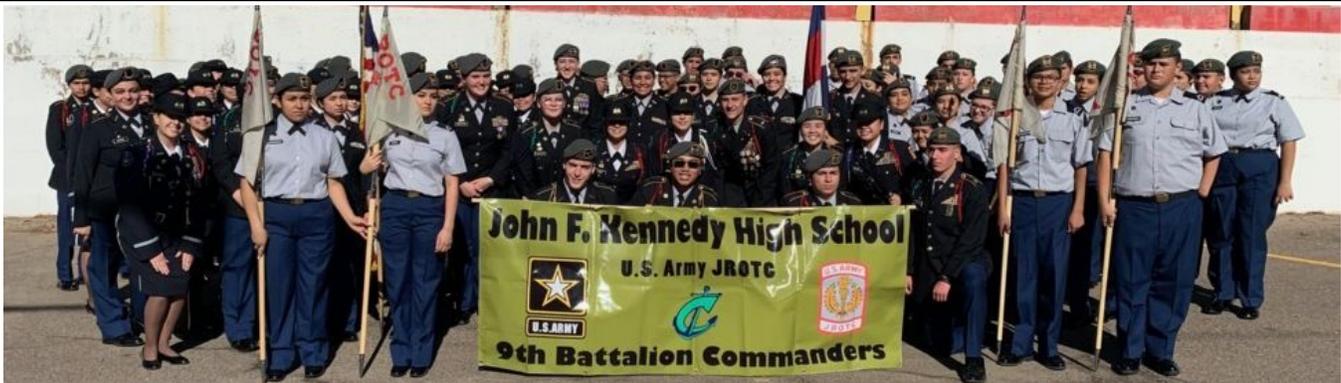
# FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Students and Families,

I want to take this opportunity to honor the great veterans among us. Thank you to all of the veterans and their families who have made unfathomable sacrifices in the service of our country and our freedom. Our JROTC spent their Saturday marching in the Veteran's Day parade, see the pic below. Our very own First Sergeant Mahoney was awarded the Instructor of the Year award on Friday. He is the top among 4,000 JROTC instructors around the globe. Kennedy is so fortunate to have been so positively impacted by First Sergeant Mahoney.

With Gratitude,  
Tiffany Almon  
Principal



## THIS WEEK'S UPDATES:

- ★ Seniors who have not yet shown competency in Math and/or Literacy will take the Accuplacer assessment on Tuesday.
- ★ On Monday in Advisory, students will review the new Graduation requirements, analyze their on track status and set goals to either stay on track or get on track. Please talk to your son or daughter regarding their plans to stay or get on track.
- ★ Students must have their school ID on them every day! This is one way that we can keep our students safe. We are requiring that all students who have off periods and want to work in the cafeteria show their school ID with their off periods sticker. Students can receive **one** FREE replacement ID. Each lost ID after the first replacement is \$5.

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- ★ HUGE SHOUT out to the Student Board of Education for creating the Thursday advisory lesson plans. The first SBOE lesson was launched through advisory last Thursday. Special shout out to Dariela Hernandez and Nini Thach for teaching the teachers how to implement this lesson.

## ARCHIVED UPDATES and REMINDERS:

- ★ Please check out this [site](#) for the new graduation requirements that begin next school year.
- ★ Students must have their school ID on them every day! This is one way that we can keep our students safe. We are requiring that all students who have off periods and want to work in the cafeteria show their school ID with their off periods sticker.
- ★ Please download the [Flyer app](#) and search John F. Kennedy High to receive ongoing updates about Kennedy.
- ★ Do you need **Internet service** at home to complete homework or do research for assignments? Request a Hot Spot from Laurentz Gilmore at [laurentz\\_gilmore@dpsk12.org](mailto:laurentz_gilmore@dpsk12.org) to rent a free Hot Spot from Sprint for the school year. The Hot Spot has enough data for one student to complete homework each night.
- ★ Fridays are **COLLEGE SPIRIT DAYS** wear your college gear!
- ★ Students can earn 1.0% point towards their attendance by attending City Year After School tutoring from 3 - 4 in the cafe. You must have a permission slip signed by parent/guardian to attend after school (you can get a permission slip from Ambrosia in the main office). If you have an off period, you can work with City Year in the cafeteria on homework or Khan Academy and earn 0.5% points towards your attendance. You must work the entire off period to earn this 0.5% point.
- ★ Students are welcome to join their teachers or other staff members for lunch AND to receive support before, after school, and during lunch; but, **a pass is required**. Students can receive a reusable pass from the teacher/staff member they wish to visit or the library and Future Center during the school day.
- ★ Robo calls will go home when a student has an unexcused absence. Please excuse absences within 24 hours. Reach out to Tiffany (720-423-4330) if you are experiencing issues with our attendance line. We aim to provide excellent customer service, and I need to know when we are not meeting this expectation.
- ★ If you need to pick up your student, please **come into the main office** and we will call your student's class to send them down. For security reasons, we prefer that you come in rather than calling our main line.
- ★ Students are required to wear **lanyards** and bring their ID each day so that staff can easily identify upperclassmen and Freshmen with permission who can leave campus for lunch. This also helps to quickly identify who has an off period when schedules are printed on the back of student i.d.s.
- ★ Students with a valid driver's license, registration, and proof of insurance can purchase a parking pass for \$20 in the main lobby beginning Monday. We require students who park in our student lot to have a parking pass.
- ★ If you would like to join the Commander Connection, our parent/guardian teacher student association, please email Tiffany at [tiffany\\_almon@dpsk12.org](mailto:tiffany_almon@dpsk12.org). The Commander Connection meets the first

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Wednesday of every month from 7 - 8PM in the JFK Cafeteria.

### **Important Dates**

**11/11** — On Track to Graduate and Competency Goal Setting through Advisor

**11/12** — Off Track to Competency Seniors will take the Accuplacer test

**11/12** — CSC meets from 4:30 to 6PM in the JFK ROOM — open to the public

For a list of games and events see our [rCalendar](#)

# **Commanders Show P.R.I.D.E.**

**P** professionalism

**R** respect

**I** inclusion

**D** dedication

**E** excellence

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