

FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Dear Students and Families,

This week I had an opportunity to meet with our Student Council for the first time of the 19-20 school year, and the feedback given was so powerful! We collaborated to ensure school traditions are honored and that JFK is a place that students can thrive academically, socially, and emotionally. The students helped me realize that the Main Hall is a gathering place and that one way students build community is by congregating in the Main Lobby during lunch; therefore, we agreed that as long as students show Pride and Excellence by cleaning up after themselves, they can sit in the lobby to eat during lunch. We also are devising a plan to begin a tradition in which Seniors who have a valid license, registration, and insurance can put their name in a lottery to paint a parking space.

Parents and students, please come and give feedback, ask questions, etc. to me during Real Talk with Tiffany at 8am and 4pm on Monday in the JFK Room.

Sincerely,
Tiffany Almon
Principal

UPDATES and REMINDERS:

- ★ City Year After School Tutoring occurs every Monday through Thursday from 2:45 - 4PM in our Cafeteria. Students must turn in a Parent Permission Slip to attend. This is an amazing opportunity for students to get support from College graduates in our City Year program.
- ★ **COLLEGE TRACK applications are due MONDAY!!!** This is a FREE after school program that many of our students are interested in, but there is limited space, so turn in your completed application!!! Learn more information [here](#).
- ★ If you have an off period, you are welcome to study in the library and in the cafeteria, you are also welcome to research college and scholarship opportunities in the Future Center. City Year Corp Members will have laptops in the cafeteria for you to complete school work OR get on Khan Academy to practice for the Accuplacer/SAT/P/SAT.
- ★ Some Freshmen Parents have requested that their child be allowed to leave campus with older siblings during lunch time. If you would like for your Freshmen to be able to leave campus, please print and complete this [permission slip](#). Hard copies will be available at our main office if you do not have easy printing access.
- ★ 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.

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- ★ 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.

Important Dates (these will be updated on the rcalendar on the website as well)

9/9: Real Talk with Tiffany in the JFK Room at 8am and 4pm

9/17: Senior Pictures (Senior T-shirts will be in the week of Labor Day)

9/24: **Ribbon Cutting Ceremony** for cafeteria and front entrance 5 - 6 PM

Commander Connection meets the first Wednesday of each month from 7 - 8 PM in the cafeteria

VOLLEYBALL --

9/11--Hinkley at JFK 4/5/6:30 PM

FOOTBALL --

9/19 -- Hinkley at Hinkley JV 10am

9/21 -- Hinkley at All City Field 2:00PM

SOFTBALL --

9/10 -- TJ at TJ 4PM/5:30PM

9/12 -- Northfield at Northfield 4PM/5:30PM

9/14 -- Hinkley at Hinkley 10AM/12PM

CROSS COUNTRY --

9/11 -- Multiple Schools at Sunken Gardens 4PM V/7PM JV

SOCCER --

9/9 -- Machebeuf at JFK 4:00 PM V/ 5:30 PM JV

9/11 -- Arrupe at Metro State University 5:30PM/7:00PM

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

P professionalism

R respect

I inclusion

D dedication

E excellence

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