

AJMS Newsletter

Second semester has begun!

Happy New Year 2024



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Ms. Shockley brings exciting updates and looks towards the new month!

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... and more!

Greetings Generals!

First, I want to wish all of you a **Happy New Year!** I hope each of you had a wonderful and relaxing winter break with family and friends. I know that I have spent time reflecting on the past year and planning for the future in 2024.

We are now starting a new semester. The first week back is **FAST testing for ELA and Math** to measure student progress. We will be using this information to celebrate the success of their progress and design a plan moving forward to address areas of concern.

This month we honor **Dr. Martin Luther King Jr** and his legacy on January 15th. As we approach this holiday, I'm reminded of a quote of his: **"We must remember that intelligence is not enough."**

Intelligence plus character - that is the goal of true education."

Now that we have completed half the school year, please take a moment to review your child's progress. At Jackson, we are committed to the success of every student. If your child is struggling in any area, please reach out to us. Our dedicated teachers and staff are always available to provide support and guidance.

Again, welcome to the **New Year** and I look forward to working with all our families in 2024.

Jennifer Shockley
Principal
Generals 23-24



January Calendar & GAP Session Schedule

2024

JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
31	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 End of 1st Semester	9	10 FAST PM2 - Reading	11 FAST PM2 - Math FMEA/All-State	12 2nd Quarter Grades Published FMEA/All-State	13
14	15 Martin Luther King Day - School Closed	16	17 Moore Field Trip SAC Meeting 8:20 AM - 9:00 AM	18 Moore Field Trip Band All-County Rehearsal 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM @ Eau Gallie High School	19	20
21	22 Career Lessons in US History Classes	23 Career Lessons in US History Classes	24 Career Lessons in US History Classes	25 Career Lessons in US History Classes Band/Chorus/Orchestra All-County	26 Career Lessons in US History Classes Band/Chorus/Orchestra All-County	27 Band/Chorus/ Orchestra All-County
28	29	30	31	1	2	3

Our General Achievement Program offers “GAP” sessions where students can meet with their teachers before school for additional assistance with classwork, test preparation, and organizational strategies.

GAP SESSION SCHEDULE

Math Department			ELA		
Carroll	Wednesdays	8:20-9:00	Dennison	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00
Wright	Mondays	8:20-9:00	Marshall	Wednesdays	8:45-9:15
Spencer	Thursdays	8:20-9:00	Kriewaldt	Wednesdays	8:45-9:15
Ezzell	Fridays	8:20-9:00	Vaughan	Thursdays	8:45-9:15
Social Studies			Viera	Mondays	8:30-9:00
Carty D.	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Ragsdale	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00
Carty W.	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	TBA ILA		
Morgan	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Electives		
Means	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Theobald	Mondays	8:30-9:00
Science			Burk	Mondays	8:30-9:00
Huskisson	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Gay	Wed & Thurs	8:30-9:15
Curry	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Andrus	Mondays	8:30-9:00
Mellon	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00	Genet	Wednesdays	8:30-9:15
TBA Science			Reetz	Wed & Thurs	8:30-9:15
ESE			Solis	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00
Rosabella	Fridays	8:30-9:00	White	Mondays	8:30-9:00
Ganoa	Thursdays	8:30-9:00	Bentley	By Appt.	8:30-9:00
Misquitta	Thursdays	8:30-9:00	Woodside	By Appt.	8:30-9:00
Steffan	Wednesdays	8:30-9:00			

PARENTS:

If you haven’t already completed the permission slip for GAP schedules, please do so as soon as possible.

Please be advised that Mr. Viera, Mr. Marshall, Mr. Ragsdale, Mrs. Dennison, Ms. Kriewaldt, Ms. Guadagna, Ms. Shields, and Mr. Vaughan are teaching ESOL out of field in the certification area of Reading and Language Arts for the 2023-2024 school year.

We want to assure you that the teachers are fully certified by the State of Florida and are currently working to become certified in ESOL.

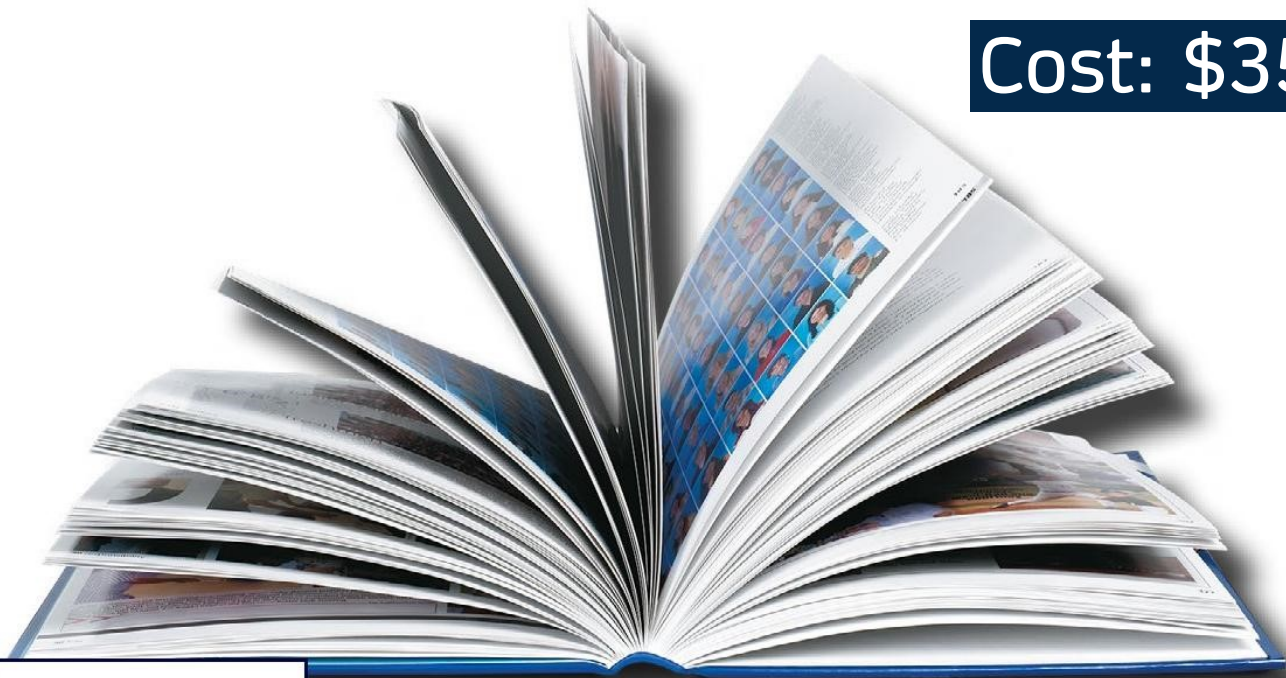
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Club Announcements:



First Priority is a Christian club that meets every **Thursday from 8:30 - 9:00am** in Mr. Ragsdale's room 305. Students play games, connect with others, and hear a positive message each week. If you would like to attend, make sure to grab a permission slip from [Mr. Ragsdale](#) or [Coach Henry](#) and bring it signed to either teacher!

BEST BUDDIES

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Upcoming events for Best Buddies:

Meeting in room 307: **Friday 1/12 3:00-3:30**

Lunch Bunch: **Friday 1/19**

Meeting in room 307: **Friday 2/9 3:00-3:30**

Lunch Bunch: **Friday 2/16**

If you have any questions, please reach out to [Mrs. Wright](#), club sponsor.

Club Announcements:

Track will start **January 18th** and run through **March 7th**.

Track tryouts are **January 18, 19**, and the **22nd**. Students must have proper paperwork to tryout.

The first track meet will be **February 6th**.

For more information, contact [Coach Woodside](#) or [Coach Henry](#).



A reminder to parents of students in **Art Class**:

Art fees are collected at the beginning of each semester. If you have not done so, please send the **\$10 art fee** with your student to give to [Ms. White](#).

Thank you!



Cambridge Corner



Attention 6th graders and parents of 6th graders:

Please join us on **January 16 from 6 pm- 8 pm** for our annual Cambridge Showcase.

Sixth graders will follow a typical Cambridge schedule to learn what Cambridge is all about at Jackson Middle School.

Please RSVP to kriewaldt.jessica@brevardschools.edu so a schedule is ready for you!

Jessica Kriewaldt

Cambridge Coordinator

7th grade Cambridge English

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PBIS



At Jackson, We Celebrate Being STAR Generals



	Halls	Patio	Cafeteria	Restroom	HOT Hangout	Dismissal Areas
Stay Safe	-Keep moving -Follow the flow of traffic -Walk at an appropriate pace -Keep feet on the ground	-Notify staff of any spills -Walk to desired location	-Notify staff of any spills -Keep hands, feet and food items to self	-Use the restroom, wash your hands, & exit -Notify staff of any spills or other concerns	-Walk to desired area -Use equipment for its intended use	-Walk to desired location -Pay attention to moving vehicles
Take Responsibility	-Use appropriate language -Maintain an inside voice -Electronic devices in backpacks	-Stay in your original seat -Clean up your area before leaving -Electronic devices in backpacks	-Get in line or find a seat quickly -Stay in your original seat the entire time -Clean up your area before leaving -Electronic devices in backpacks	-Ensure you have a pass during class time -Keep the restroom clean -Electronic devices in backpacks	-Have your student ID ready -Report any unsafe behaviors -Electronic devices in backpacks	-Clean up your area before leaving -Report any unsafe situations -Electronic devices in backpacks
Achieve Academic Excellence	-Arrive to class on time and be ready to work -Use transition time effectively	-Utilize your time effectively -Use hall passes to visit teachers and office	-Raise your hand to go to the library, patio, or other activity	-Use instructional time wisely	-Come inside when time is called	-Keep all items in your backpacks
Respect Yourself & Others	-Keeps hands, feet, and object to self -Be kind and use appropriate language	-Maintain an inside voice -Be kind and use appropriate language	-Wait your turn in line -Maintain an inside voice -Be kind and use appropriate language	-Wait your turn -Be kind and use appropriate language	-Be kind and use appropriate language -Leave food and beverages inside	-Keep hands, feet, and objects to self -Be kind and use appropriate language

PBIS is our incentive program for rewarding STAR General behavior!

The STAR Bucks Store opens the last week of August.

STAR General behavior can earn Positive Referrals and Student of the Week awards.

Appreciations:

**WE WANT TO THANK THE FOLLOWING
BUSINESS PARTNER:**

NICOLE'S APPLIANCES BY DANNY
**FOR DONATING A WASHING MACHINE FOR OUR CUSTODIAL
DEPARTMENT.**

THANK YOU!!!



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