Summit Middle School Newsletter

December 2021

Message from the Principal

Dear Summit Families:

It is hard to believe we have already reached December of our 2021-22 school year. There are signs of winter activities already--even though the weather has been warm for this time of year. I am excited to hear our choirs perform on December 7 & 8. The warm weather has made recess and other outdoor activities a joy. I would also like to encourage you to attend the Summit PTO meeting on December 7 at 7 PM in the LMC. The concerts will be wrapping up by then, and it would be a great opportunity to join us. Finally, we are setting up an ice rink and ice skating experience for PE students. The ice rink was purchased by the PTO in 2020. Helmets will be required and skates provided. PE teachers will work safely with everyone from beginners to expert skaters.

As part of our Leader in Me efforts, students have made extraordinary efforts to establish the following positive organizations and activities at Summit:

- A New Club--World Cultures
- A Toy Drive for Blank Children's Hospital
- A Therapeutic Pet Experience for Struggling Students
- A Compost Opportunity to Fertilize the Community Garden

There are many other plans and ideas being developed. These efforts are completely student-led with teachers, counselors, and administration being in a support role.

Finally, we continue to struggle with social media issues spilling over into school. Things that occur during evening and weekend hours often make it difficult to focus on the most important things at school. While we will continue to teach digital citizenship at school, please continue to talk to your students about your expectations for appropriate social media use.



Counselor Corner

The Summit GSA is continuing to meet every Thursday afternoon from 3-3:30pm in room 226. There will be no GSA meeting on Thursday, December 23rd because of winter break. If you have an interest in joining GSA please reach out to Mrs. Heston or Mrs. Brock, Summit's school counselors and GSA staff sponsors.

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Summit Chorus Concerts

6th Grade-Tues., Dec. 7th- at Summit A day concerts- 6:00 B day concerts- 7:00

7th Grade-Thurs., Dec. 9th- at JHS Boys concerts- 6:00 Girls concerts- 7:00

Arrive 15 minutes before concert

From the Summit PTO

We hope you are able to join us for our December PTO meeting.

When: Monday, December 6th Time: 7:00pm Where: Summit LMC or via Zoom <u>https://zoom.us/j/92483888496</u>

> Dine to Donate Where: McAlister's Deli Date: Tuesday, December 7th Time: 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM



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Tuesday, December 7th | 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM McAlister's Deli 5910 Douglas Ave. RSVP: https://grouprai.se/f201066

Important Dates to Remember

December 7th 6th Grade Chorus Concerts at Summit

December 8th Dismissal at 1:50

<u>December 9th</u> 7th Grade Chorus Concerts at JHS

December 15th Dismissal at 1:50

December 23rd-January 2nd No School - Winter Break

JCE - December Pool Activities

We are looking for a weekend Supervisor on Sunday's and also Swim instructors and Lifeguards. If anyone is interested, please email Breonnhia Bailey at <u>breonnhia.bailey@johnston.k12.ia.us</u>

December Pool schedule is attached



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