

# Summit Middle School Newsletter

*January 2022*

## Message from the Principal

Dear Summit Families:

Even though cold weather has set in, there are plenty of things going on at Summit Middle School.

**Save the Date!** The Summit PTO is planning a Family Tech Talk on Wednesday, February 16th at 8 PM for Summit parents. The event is sponsored by the National PTO organization and a Zoom link will be sent out to all middle school parents early next month. A link to the website for information about the presentation follows:

<https://www.ptotoday.com/techtalknight>

The format is a presentation followed by a Q&A with national experts. (See link above for specific information).

The spring play is in full swing with 45 cast and crew members. Auditions occurred last week and rehearsals began last Monday. [Murder on the 518](#) is an award winning murder mystery that has been performed by numerous middle schools. The performance will take place on Friday, March 4 @ 6:30 PM on the Summit MS Cafeteria Stage. Admission is \$3 for adults and students are free.

Finally, unless it is a “feels like” temperature of below zero, or we have inclement weather, we head outside for recess. Please encourage students to wear cold weather gear to spend 5-15 minutes outside enjoying fresh air and getting out some of that middle school energy.

Thank you,

Chris Billings



## Counselor Corner

7th grade students are beginning transition planning for 8th grade at Johnston Middle School (JMS). Please mark your calendars for the 7th grade parent meeting with JMS on Monday, January 31, 2022. In early February, 7th grade students will meet the counselors from JMS, watch transition videos and schedule for their 8th grade classes through Infinite Campus.

### Love and Logic Winter Session

A six session parenting program designed by the Love and Logic Institute.

Class Dates: Feb. 1, Feb. 8, Feb. 15, Feb. 22, March 1, and March 8, 2022

Learn how to:

- Avoid un-winnable power-struggles and arguments
- Stay calm when your kids do incredibly upsetting things
- Set enforceable limits
- Avoid enabling and begin empowering
- Help your kids learn from mistakes rather than repeating them
- Raise kids who are family members rather than dictators
- And much more!

See attached flyer for more information!



Love & Logic Winter 2022.pdf

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74.8 KB



Attention 7th grade students and parents!!! Monday, January 31st from 5-6pm there will be an 8th grade informational meeting with Johnston Middle School (JMS) via Zoom for 7th grade parents and students. The meeting will include information from JMS principals and counselors pertaining to the transition to 8th grade. A Zoom link for this JMS meeting is below. During the month of February, JMS counselors will be coming to Summit to complete the scheduling process for the 2022-23 school year. Please contact Shannon Brock, 7th grade counselor, with any questions.

You are invited to a Zoom webinar.

Date/Time: Jan 31, 2022 05:00 PM Central Time (US and Canada)

Topic: Middle School Parent Registration Meeting

Join from a PC, Mac, iPad, iPhone or Android device:

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Webinar ID: 981 5944 5057

Participant ID: 127433

International numbers available: <https://zoom.us/j/98159445057>

## Dine to Donate!

On Thursday, January 13th the delicious and generous Five Guys (455 S 64th St W.) is donating back 20% of takeout orders to support a great cause -- Summit Middle School!

On behalf of Summit Middle School, you're invited to join us and eat out, not only in support of the Summit PTO, but to show one of your Des Moines restaurants some love too!

We ask that you RSVP here: <https://grouprai.se/e201067> (even if you're not completely sure) so Five Guys knows roughly how many orders to expect & so you have access to all the event details.

We hope you can make it, and please feel free to forward this invitation to your friends and family. Thanks in advance for your support!



## 7th Grade Fusion Show Choir Performances

Parent Show- Jan 18th at 6:30pm at JHS (arrive at 5:45pm)

Showzam Performance- Jan. 21st at 5:15pm at JHS (arrive at 4:00pm)

Johnston Student Show- Jan. 24th at 7pm at JHS (arrive at 6:15pm)

## PE Announcement

We are hoping to begin ice skating in PE this month. Your student will be skating outside when they are in the multi-purpose room, weather permitting.

Each student will be required to wear a helmet (a bike helmet works). If you have extra helmets at home and want to donate them the PE department is looking for about 15. Please reach out to your student's PE teacher with any questions or concerns.



## Important Dates to Remember

### January 12th

Dismissal at 1:50

### January 17th

NO SCHOOL

### January 19th

Dismissal at 1:50

### January 26th

Dismissal at 1:50



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