# Summit Middle School Newsletter

**NOVEMBER 2021** 

### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Summit Families:

A reminder that P-T Conferences occur this month as follows:

- November 11th: Conferences by appointment via Zoom or in Person
- November 11-22: Flex time conferences arranged with base-camp teacher

A big thank you to the Summit PTO for providing the November 11th conference meal for teachers and our parents for providing drinks.

We have experienced a definite increase in issues associated with social media including bullying, inappropriate comments, and sharing of personal information online. Please take some time to talk with your student about digital citizenship and social media. Also, please consider closer supervision of your students cell phone. Many experts suggest limiting access to social media and collecting cell phones prior to bed time.

As part of our Leader In Me initiative, Summit students have established three new clubs:

- Chess Club sponsor Mr. O'Brien
- Coding Club sponsor Ms. Ites
- Book Club sponsor Ms. McAlister

Have a wonderful end to fall and an enjoyable holiday season.

Chris Billings
Principal
Summit Middle School

### **COUNSELOR CORNER**

Gay Straight Alliance (GSA) group has begun meeting for the 2021-2022 school year. GSA meets after school on Thursdays from 3-3:30pm in room 226. There will be no GSA on Thursday, November 11 due to the early dismissal for conferences. If you have any questions or would like to sign up for GSA please reach out to Mrs. Brock or Mrs. Heston, Summit's school counselors and GSA staff sponsors.



The Strengths and Difficulties Questionnaire (SDQ) was administered at Summit on October 26 & 28. Approximately 170 Summit students participated in the survey. The SDQ assisted parents and students with identifying areas of strengths and difficulties, or areas of challenge, not only in school, but at home and within relationships with adults and peers. Your student's results will be mailed home to you so you are aware of the survey's results. If your child has an area of significant concern identified by the SDQ you would have received a phone call from a JCSD staff member to discuss this with you.



#### **SUMMIT BAND CONCERTS**

6th grade: November 8th, Summit Cafetorium

5:30 - Mrs. Green's students

6:30 - Mrs. Dunn-Hayward's students

7th Grade: November 9th, Summit Cafetorium

5:30pm - A Day (1st and 4th hour) - Students arrive in the

BandRoom at 5:15pm

6:30pm-B Day (2nd and 3rd hour) – Students arrive in the

BandRoom at 6:15pm.

\*Concert attire will be all black – please plan ahead.

## SUMMIT UPCOMING CHORUS CONCERTS

**December Chorus Concerts-**

6th Grade-

Mon., Dec. 7th- at Summit

A day concerts- 6:00

B day concerts-7:00



Thurs Dec Oth at ILIC



Boys concerts- 6:00 Girls concerts- 7:00

\*Arrive 15 minutes before concert\*



### **MOCK TRIAL COMPETITIONS**

4 teams of mixed Summit / JMS students.

Mock Trial Regional Contest: Nov 5 Mock Trial Regionals Run-Offs: Nov. 8 Mock Trial State Contest: Dec 1-2

### **JCE - NOVEMBER 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 <a href="mailto:breonnhia.bailey@johnston.k12.ia.us">breonnhia.bailey@johnston.k12.ia.us</a>

November Pool schedule is attached



November-2021-Pool-Calendar.pdf





### IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

**November 10th** 

Dismissal at 1:50

**November 11th** 

Dismissal at 11:50

Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 17th

Dismissal at 1:50

November 24th - 26th

No School - Thanksgiving Break



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