

Counselor's Corner

December, 2017



When is Classroom Guidance?

Your child will have guidance with me once a month where they will be taught core values through Character Education. For the month of December, I will be teaching Character Education through the morning video announcements due to the reduced number of days because of Christmas Break. I will resume classroom guidance in January.



"Generosity"

Generosity is our character ed. term of the month. Generosity means being careful with what you have so you can share with others. People who are generous with others benefit not only the person they are helping, but they also experience satisfaction and joy themselves. Generosity demonstrates that we truly value others and are willing to reach out and meet their needs. We must learn to notice when others need our help, and then be willing to give of our time and our resources. Today and every day, take a moment to look around you and notice the needs of others and commit to doing what you can to help

(www.characterfirsted.com)

You can watch a book about generosity being read here:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AGAS_Aj85cA&feature=youtu.be

Jefferson Elementary Giving Tree

Jefferson Elementary students will have the opportunity to experience the joy of giving to others in need. There will be a Giving Tree set up on the stage in the cafeteria where students may place brand new socks and new underwear for children in need of these items. Please send these items in with your children if you'd like to participate.



Morning Announcements are back!!

We are so excited to announce that our morning video announcements will resume this month. I will put a link on the school website every day for you to click and view them. They will include our pledge, school motto, character word for the month, and lunch menu.



Morning Meeting and Lunch Bunches!

Morning Meetings/Lunch Bunch is a small group session designed to boost self-esteem, social skills, and increase peer relations. Any student can attend, and sessions will be planned according to each group's specific need. I will start a new group session in January. These groups are held first thing in the morning from 7:25-7:55 or during your child's lunch period. Lunch Bunch times are as follows:

Kindergarten: 10:55-11:25

1st grade: 11:45-12:15

2nd grade: 12:25-12:55



Student Referrals

Would you like your child to check in with the school counselor about something? If you feel that your child could benefit from checking in with me, please let your child's teacher know, feel free to email me at tbishop@jeffcityschools.org or call the school and I will try my best to accommodate them.



Behavior Rewards:

The students are loving the character ed. awards at the end of the month. Each month the winner will receive a certificate, a token, and a small prize. Please continue to encourage your child to model the character ed. terms of the month:

August: Respect

September: Perseverance

October: Caring

November: Responsibility

Students can also earn the privilege of being a guest on the morning video announcements! They will feel like celebrities.

Available Resources for Students in Need:

NOW weekend food

Dragon Snacks

School uniforms

Jackets

Underwear and Socks

Backpacks

