



Junaluska Elementary School Newsletter

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Ongoing Introductions of New Staff



KRISTI BLACKBURN is our new 3-5 EC teacher. She graduated from Appalachian State with a B.S. degree and this is her 17th year teaching. She is married with three boys, 2 of which attend Junaluska.

JENNIFER DAVIS is a new fifth grade teacher at JES. She is an alumni of the NC Teaching Fellows program at UNC-Asheville and also holds a Master's degree in Elementary Education from Appalachian State University. A few of her favorite hobbies are reading, cooking and running. She loves teaching, learning and having fun: All of which make 5th grade a great place for her to be!

SUSAN DELBENE is a new Title 1 teacher. This is her 17th year teaching for Haywood County Schools. She was at Hazelwood Elementary for 2 years and Central Elementary for 14 years. She has been fortunate to teach children in 1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th, and Title I. Her favorite thing to teach is Reading, so she's very excited to be back in Title I working with 1st and 2nd graders. When she's not working, she loves to be with her family. She has twin girls that are 16 and a son that is 12. They keep her very busy! She is very excited to be working at Junaluska this year.

MICHELLE FORD is a new 3rd grade teacher. She lives in Waynesville with her husband, daughter, two dogs, and four cats! This is her 23rd year teaching. However, this is her first year at Junaluska Elementary, joining the JES family after the closing of Central Elementary. In December 1994, She graduated from Western Carolina University with a Bachelor's Degree in Special Education. A few years later, she returned to WCU and added another area to her license. She has a teaching license for Elementary K-6 and Exceptional Children K-12. She looks forward to being a part of Junaluska's family. Hopefully, this will be the best year ever!

BROOKE NICKOL is a new 3rd grade teacher. She began her teaching career in 1995 at Hazelwood Elementary. There she taught for four and half years before deciding to be a stay at home mom. She came back to teaching in 2008 and worked at Central for 8 years. Her family is going through lots of changes this year. Besides the fact that she is starting a new year at a new school, she recently moved her oldest son, Ben, into college at Wofford. He will be playing soccer while he attends school there. Her middle son, Luke, is a sophomore at Tuscola and he also plays soccer. Her daughter Grace, will begin the year at Waynesville Middle School as a sixth grader. Grace loves dancing and dances competitively at Angie's Dance Academy. In September, Mrs. Nickol will celebrate 22 years of marriage. Mrs. Nickol is originally from Raleigh but now loves to call Waynesville his home.

JOY SOLLIE is our new school counselor! She is at Junaluska full time, and she is so excited to be able to teach guidance every other week. She attended Appalachian State University and North Carolina State University and has been a school counselor for 13 years. Mrs. Sollie loves spending time with her husband and her two children.

CINDY WARREN is our new 3-5 EC teacher assistant. This is her 20th year teaching and the last 16 years have been with EC. She has been married for 32 years to Sam Warren. They have 3 children; 2 daughters and a son. She also has 2 sons-in-law and her first grandbaby is due in October.

MORE TO COME NEXT MONTH....

Student Council

Representatives and alternates, from 3rd to 5th grade, will be chosen from each class.

This is an opportunity to build student leadership in the school building.

1. **Wednesday, September 7th**—Student Council Applications Available.
2. **Tuesday, September 13th**—Student Council Applications Due to your teacher.
3. **Tuesday, September 13th**—Written speeches due to your teacher.
4. **September 14th to 20th**—Speeches will be given in your classroom. (Teachers will select the day or days.)
5. **Candidates are NOT to bring anything in to share with class to win votes.**
6. Classes will vote before **September 22nd**.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Monday, September 12th—Open House for K-2nd Grade (5:15-6:00 Pizza Dinner, 6:00 Short Principal's Information and PTA meeting followed by classroom visits)
- Tuesday, September 13th—Open House for 3rd-5th Grade (5:15-6:00 Pizza Dinner, 6:00 Short Principal's Information and PTA meeting followed by classroom visits)
- Tuesday, September 13th—Student Council applications and speeches due to teachers
- Thursday, September 22nd—Picture Day
- Thursday, September 22nd—Safety Patrol applications due
- Friday, September 23rd—School Dance (3:00-5:30)



PE News

Upper grades are starting a volleyball unit. Please, please make sure students wear sneakers for P.E. Remind them, maybe, that it will count against them on the Eagle Club (not prepared for class).



Book Fair

Junaluska's Book Fair will be October 31st to November 4th! More information coming home soon...



2nd Grade

SECOND GRADE WILL BE "REARING" MONARCH BUTTERFLIES OVER THE NEXT FEW WEEKS AS PART OF OUR SCIENCE UNIT ON LIFE CYCLES BEGINNING THIS FRIDAY.



Girls on the Run

Registration Dates for Girls on the Run at JES will be from September 1 -September 15. At this time the team is limited to 5th grade girls. To register, interested girls should go online at gotrnwnc.org.

Directions to register are posted there on the homepage. GOTR Sessions will begin at Junaluska Elementary on **Tuesday, September 20th**. Students will meet after school in the library.



Eagle Club (2nd-5th grade)

Soaring to Success!

Each 9-weeks, we will be offering a fun and exciting trip as an incentive for attendance, homework, and citizenship. Students will qualify for the trip by adhering to the following rules of the Club:

- **Positive behavior:**
 - HAVE ONLY POSITIVE VISITS TO THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE.
- **Be prepared for class**
 - 3 OR MORE CLASSROOM STRIKES AND YOU ARE OUT OF THE CLUB.
- **Be on time and stay all day:**
 - HAVE NO MORE THAN 2 CHECKOUTS
 - HAVE NO MORE THAN 2 TARDIES.
 - NO MORE THAN 3 ABSENCES EACH 9 WEEKS.

Welcome to the Eagle Club!



Help Needed

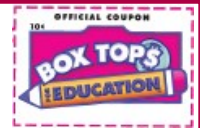
Junaluska is desperate for substitutes in the cafeteria. It is a great opportunity for stay at home parents or grandparents that might like to make a little extra money while the kids are in school.

Hours range from 3 to 6 hours a day. For more information please call the School Nutrition Office at 627-1150.



PTA News

Back-to-School Dance: Our first dance of the year will be held on **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23**, from **3:00-5:30 PM**. Our first dance will be for 1st-5th grade. More information will be sent home in your child's backpack closer to the date of the dance.



Box Tops: We hope you've been snipping Box Tops all summer! It's almost time for our fall Box Top collection. Please send in all Box Tops by **OCTOBER 14**. The classroom in grades K-2 that collects the most Box Tops and the classroom in grades 3-5 that collects the most will each win a pizza party. If the school collectively brings in more than \$1200 worth of Box Tops then the entire school will receive a surprise. Remember, the money raised in individual classrooms will go back to each respective teacher, so keep clipping!

Run/Walk-A-Thon: Our annual Run/Walk-A-Thon is coming up soon. This event is so much fun for everyone and is our biggest fall fundraiser. Stay tuned for more details and get ready to lace on those sneakers!

SCIENCE CLUB



Junaluska teachers and Science Coaches are launching a Science Club for interested students this fall. Permission forms will be sent home with fifth grade students during the week of September 6th. The first club meeting will be on **September 14th** after school in the library. Students must have a permission form to participate. The club will also be opened to fourth grade students as space allows.

Carline Instructions

Please help us to make Junaluska Elementary School's carline as efficient as possible.

1. To speed up the carline, when your car has stopped please have your child get out of the car.
2. Please have your child exit on the right side of the car.
3. Parents, please stay in the car unless your child must be seated on the left side, and then you can help them exit the car.
4. Pull all the way to pole #1, and drive slowly because the speed limit in carline is 5 miles per hour.
5. If it is after 8:00 A.M., your child is tardy. You will need to park and check in your child in the office.



5th graders interested in being on our Safety Patrol, must turn in an application by September 22nd.

TITLE 1 NEWS

The goal of Title 1 is to provide extra instructional services and activities for qualified students. Support is offered to students by helping them meet the state's challenging performance standards in mathematics, reading, and writing.

WHAT DO TITLE 1 PROGRAMS OFFER?



- Smaller classes or special instructional space
- Additional teachers
- Extra time for teaching all students the skills they need
 - A variety of supplementary teaching methods
 - An individualized program for students
- Additional teaching materials which supplement a students' regular instruction

Please let us know if you have any questions.

Thank you!

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Susan DelBene, Kathy
McConnell, Annette Stiles,
Beverly Ketner, &
Diane Fore.