



FJA Weekly Newsletter • Week of November 29, 2021

FJA COVID Dashboard: Below is a summary of confirmed COVID-19 cases at Flagstaff Junior Academy by campus. It includes cases reported within the last week, as well as the total number of cases reported since August 1st.

Campus	Weeks of 11/15 to 11/28	Since August 1, 2021
Cedar	1	12
Bonito	2	10

Vaccination Reminder and Site Locations: FJA follows current state and county health department guidance for quarantining close contacts. If you have had Covid-19 within the past 90 days or are fully vaccinated, you do **not** need to quarantine due to close-contact status if the school has to shut down a classroom for a positive case(s). You can bring in documentation of a confirmed Covid-19 case or proof of vaccination to the school office or email it directly to FJA Office Manager, Jeanne Hink at jeannehink@fjadacademy.com

For recently updated Coconino County vaccination sites, please click on the link below:
<https://www.coconino.az.gov/2580/COVID-19-Vaccination-Locations>

FJA Shout-Outs: An FJA Shout-Out to Jenn Cernohous for completing her first sports season as Athletic Director. She's doing a great job and is already coordinating games, referees, and coach's meetings for winter sports.

An FJA Shout-Out to Jen Conway for managing the Cedar Campus Lost and Found collection. Putting all those forgotten items out for students to reclaim and then hauling the remaining ones to the Goodwill takes time. We appreciate it!

An FJA Shout-Out to our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade classes for decreasing their paper cup use last month! We challenged them and they met the challenge. These grade levels collectively used fewer than 20 cups during the month-long Water Cup Challenge. They will enjoy a movie and snack day at the end of the semester as a thank you from FJA staff (and Mother Earth!).

Cedar Campus Dance Performance: You're invited to come watch the informal FJA Cedar Dance Performance on Monday, December 6th during the school day! All performances will take place outside, in the lunch area, and will be about 5-10 minutes each. Please remember to wear your mask. The performance schedule is listed below. If you are unable to attend in person, we'll film the performance and can send it to you afterwards! If you have any questions or concerns, please email jourdanbingham@fjacademy.com. We are so excited to share our dances with you!

Dance Performance Schedule:

- Conway- 9:50-10:00am
- Bax- 10:30-10:40am
- Peterson- 11:20-11:30am
- Cernohous- 1:00-1:20pm
- Heinsius- 1:50-2:00pm
- Cole- 2:30-2:40pm

Holiday Giving Opportunity: This holiday season FJA is offering your family the opportunity to share love and kindness by donating to FJA's children and families as well as your greater community in many ways.

- 1) Donate to the Toy Drive a new gift, book, or toy to be donated at the Flagstaff Food Center's Gift of Reading Event. Please donate unwrapped gifts so students can wrap them together during the school day and celebrate the spirit of giving together. We are also looking for donations of wrapping paper, gift bags, and ribbon. The deadline to donate to the Toy Drive is **Friday, December 10th**. Please have students deliver Toy Drive Gifts to their Classroom Teacher at Cedar Campus and to the front office at Bonito Campus.
- 2) Donate a gift card that will be donated to an FJA family to use as needed this holiday season. Some ideas are: Walmart, Gas card, Target, Grocery Store, Visa Card. Please bring your FJA donation to the front office at the elementary or the middle school campus by **Thursday, December 16th**.

Bonito Campus Scholastic Book Fair—Wednesday 12/15: Students can purchase books during their class's designated time during the school day, or browse and buy with their families at our evening event from 5:00 to 7:30 p.m. Cash, check, or credit card will be accepted. It all happens on Wednesday, December 15th!

Bonito Campus Winter Arts Showcase and Chili Fundraiser—Wednesday 12/15: All middle school students and families are invited to come and celebrate the arts at Bonito! There will be guitar, band, and dance performances to enjoy. Performances start at 5:30 p.m. Grab a bowl of chili and a hot chocolate while you're on campus. Chili fundraiser profits will benefit the 6th grade class and their end-of-year river trip.

Gently Used Books/Games: Our FJA Aftercare Program is looking for gently used picture books, chapter books, board games, playing cards, etc., to use during our program time with our wonderful students. Donations can be dropped off at our Cedar Campus.

Order Your 2021-2022 FJA Yearbook!: Yearbook packages start at \$20 for softcover and \$25 for hardcover. Prices do increase after January 1st, so order soon. To order yours, go to www.ybpay.com and enter our school code: 14441822.

FJA Co-Ed Intramural Volleyball: Open to all 5th through 8th graders! Come out and have some fun with your classmates—every Wednesday from 3:15-5:00 p.m.

Cedar Campus Families: The school day begins at 8:00 a.m. For safety reasons, students who aren't attending Before-Care and arrive before 8:00 a.m. should wait at the entry gate under family supervision until an FJA staff member arrives. If your child arrives after 8:15 a.m., please walk them in and sign them in the front office. Thank you!

PreK-8th Grade Winter Basketball League: Unlocked Potential is an independent program run by the Boys and Girls Club of Flagstaff and is geared towards students having some basketball fun over the winter season. Deadline to register is December 31st. Go to www.unlockedpotential.net or email Coach Kiki at 928-853-0014.

Activity Fees for the 2021-2022 School Year: Flagstaff Junior Academy has an annual student activity fee of \$125 per elementary student and \$175 per middle school student. Our school depends on and uses these fees for many things, including field trips and experiential learning, special events, educational assemblies, and clubs and sports. If you have not made payment yet, please submit cash or a check payable to "Flagstaff Junior Academy" to one of our front offices.

FJA Parent Teacher Group Restarting: A few parents have expressed interest in organizing a Parent Teacher Group again. In the past, this groups has met monthly and spearheaded events and fundraisers such as: Dr. Seuss Day, Bike to School, Babysitting for Parents Nights, Family Game and Movie Nights, Earth Day Clean-Up, and Teacher Appreciation Week. If you'd like to get involved in one capacity or another, email Kristin Patterson at kristinpatterson@fjademy.com

Middle School Families and Checking Students' Grades: If you're having any challenges with creating your Infinite Campus Parent Portal account and checking your child's grades, please email Cassie Wilson directly at jeannehink@fjademy.com. She will set you up and help connect you to online grade review.

Give to FJA with No Cost to You!: If you are an Amazon shopper, please sign up for Amazon Smile! It costs nothing to you and a small portion of all your qualifying purchases will be donated to FJA. Just go to smile.amazon.com and select Flagstaff Junior Academy as your charitable organization. On your web browser, you can add a bookmark to smile.amazon.com to make it even easier to return and start your shopping with AmazonSmile. For app use, activate AmazonSmile in the Amazon Shopping app on your iOS or Android phone within the Settings or Programs & Features menu.

The Week in Pictures:



The Children's House students enjoying festivities and food— pudding, bread, and homemade butter that the students made with help from Ms. Barbara, Ms. Tammy, and Ms. Robin!



Mr. Clark's students preparing to write their art critiques!



Ms. Cernohous's students learning about water and flotation!



7th and 8th Grade Student Council preparing for a seasonal fundraiser. Thanks, Mr. Chee for sponsoring and supporting these student leaders!



Loading up the truck with lots of food collected during the Cedar Campus Food Drive!