



## FJA Newsletter • October 2022

**Grateful Goodies:** FJA's newly regrouped Parent Teacher Group (PTG) invites you to come, connect, and enjoy a light breakfast with other parents and guardians at their Grateful Goodies event from 8:00-9:00 a.m. on Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Grateful Goodies will take place at both campuses and there will be raffle fundraisers for those who would like to support the PTG's efforts. Click on the link below for more details: <https://fjademy.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/11/FJA-PTG-Grateful-Goodies-2022.pdf>

**Accessing 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Graders Grades via Infinite Campus:** All sixth, seventh, and eighth graders, along with their parents/guardians, are encouraged to monitor student grades through Infinite Campus, FJA's online gradebook. If you are new to FJA, have lost your login information, etc., email Jeanne Hink at [jeannehink@fjademy.com](mailto:jeannehink@fjademy.com) so she can email you login information. Please note that once directions and temporary logins have been sent, they must be activated within 48 hours before they expire.

**Friday Cedar Campus Paw-Draw Community Meetings: Kinder thru 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Families Invited to Join First Fridays Each Month & 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Grades Families Invited Last Fridays:** Cedar Campus has our Friday Paw-Draw Community Meetings every Friday in our courtyard, weather permitting. We'd love for families to join us when possible. On your "Friday of the month," we welcome you to walk your children to campus, visit with their teachers in classrooms from 8:00-8:15, and then stay for the Paw-Draw Meeting at 8:15. **Ms. Shawna's, Ms. Conway's, and Ms. Cernohous's families are invited this Fri. 11/4.**

**Picture Day Make-Up's: Thursday November 10<sup>th</sup>:** If students and/or families disliked their original pictures, they can have them retaken on Thursday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. Students should bring their original envelopes/pictures with them on retake day. Additionally, all students who were absent on their original picture days will have their pictures taken on November 10<sup>th</sup>, regardless of whether they ordered or not.

**PTG Organizing Room Parent/Grade Guardian Opportunity:** Our PTG is organizing a Room Parent/Grade Guardian opportunity for families who want to provide an extra layer of support to our school's teachers and staff throughout the year. They're launching the sign-up form this week with a goal to begin engagement in January. Details and sign up form here:

<https://sites.google.com/view/fjaptg/room-parentsgrade-guardians?authuser=0>

Please send questions to [FJA.PTG@gmail.com](mailto:FJA.PTG@gmail.com)

**Cedar Campus Morning Drop-Off:** To ensure that everyone gets where they need to be on time, we kindly ask parents and guardians to be swift in dropping off students in the morning. **If you need extended time to say goodbyes, get children out of carsseats, etc., please park in a nearby, legal parking spot and walk your child onto campus.**

**Bonito Campus Afternoon Pick-Up:** Students can be picked up 3:15-3:30 p.m. daily and 12:15-12:30 p.m. on Fridays. Students who are not staying after for a sport or club with an adult sponsor, need to be picked up by 3:30 (or 12:30 p.m. on Fridays). **If you cannot pick up your child within that 15-minute window, please coordinate with your child to meet you off campus (library, Tree Park, etc.). Thank you!**

**Not Getting Important Email and Text Updates?:** Perhaps not all the adults in your family are receiving FJA messaging via email and texts? Or, perhaps you're receiving one method of communication, but not the other? Please let us know and we'll remedy the issue in our Student Database. **Just email FJA Office Manager, Jeanne Hink, at [jeannehink@fjacademy.com](mailto:jeannehink@fjacademy.com) and she will help you out.**

**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](http://www.unlockedpotential.net) or email Coach Kiki at 928-853-0014.

**Weather, Snow Delays/Cancelations, and Snow Gear:** FJA strives to announce any school delays or cancelations due to winter weather by 6:00 a.m. We will always do our best to assess weather for all areas that FJA serves (Kachina/Mountaineer, Doney Park, Parks, etc.). However, if we don't "get it right" with regard to delaying or canceling school for your neighborhood, we always respect families' right to make the best decision for their children. There might also be days that weather and traffic require more slow-going travel. Grace will be given for lateness on these days. Finally, please send your child in winter and snow attire (boots, pants, warm coats, hats/mittens, etc.) every day as we do eat outdoors and have recess outside as often as possible.

**Sign Your Child Up for Optional Pooled COVID Testing**

Pooled testing has begun for all students (even Pre-K). Click below to sign up your child:

<https://testcenter.concentricbyginkgo.com/minor-consent/>

**Enter the following access code: FJA2021**

### **FJA 2022-2023 Safe Return to School Plan**

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the state of Arizona requires that each school develop a Safe Return to School Plan and have its school board revisit the plan no less than every six months through September 2023. The FJA Governing Board revisited our Safe Return to School Plan at its August 3<sup>rd</sup> meeting. You can find the plan in its entirety on our website, or just click the link below:

<https://fjacademy.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/Flagstaff-Junior-Academy-Safe-Return-to-In-Person-Instruction-Plan-Rev.-8.3.22.pdf>

We ask that all families take the time to read the 2022-2023 FJA Safe Return to School Plan as it outlines logistics and COVID-19 mitigation measures. The plan may be adjusted depending upon our community's needs.

### **Upcoming Important Dates**

**Nov. 7<sup>th</sup>: FJA Governing Board Meeting, Cedar Campus or via Zoom, 5:00 p.m.**

**Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>—Veterans Day, No School**

**Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> through 25<sup>th</sup>—Thanksgiving Break, No School**

**Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>—Bonito Campus Winter Arts Showcase**

### **The Month in Pictures**



**Thanks to all the students and families who came out and rode to school together for Bike to School Day! Special thanks to Cosmic Cycles' Scott Heinsius and Ms. Shawna for helping with the ride, to Ms. Patterson for coordinating the event, and to Ms. Adi and Ms. Bax for getting the breakfast items ready!**





**Congratulations to our 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade art teacher, Mr. Clark, for representing FJA as our 2022-2023 Coconino County Teacher of the Year nominee!**



**The line of students waiting to take their turn at the mic and share appreciation for Mr. Clark was a long one when County School Superintendent Cheryl Mango-Paget came to recognize Mr. Clark.**





**Mr. Dixon and the Varsity Volleyball team after winning their season Championship game against NPA!**



**Ms. Cole and students doing a little pre-jog stretching and yoga before this year's Jog-a-Thon. Thanks to Ms. Hershey for putting on this annual fundraiser and student tradition for our school! Thanks to Ms. Betsy and Bonito Campus Student Council members for assisting with the event this year!**