



Jay Shideler Elementary School

Blues News

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Principal's Note

Dear Jay Shideler Community,

Thank you for a wonderful first year as a Blue Jay! I can't thank everyone enough for your support. Every day I'm amazed at what a caring school community we have! So many of you give your time, talents and resources to support our students and staff. As the year ends, it's a time of celebration and a time to say goodbyes. For the good news, Jay Shideler is having 406 trees planted in our honor for the purchases of yearbooks! Let's congratulate Jenni Howard, Gifted Facilitator, who was named Auburn-Washburn's teacher of the year and also congratulate Mr. and Mrs. Sorenson who are proud parents of baby Peter John born on April 30th!



There are a few staff members that will be departing over the summer. Ms. Sarah Landis (2nd Grade), Ms. Tricia Martins (3rd Grade), and Ms. Jessica Thompson (Para) are moving out of the Topeka area over the summer. I want to congratulate Mrs. Sandra Cromwell (Interventionist), she will become an Instructional Facilitator at Indian Hills! Congrats! We will miss them all and wish them luck on their new adventures!

We also have a couple of new staff members coming next year. Mrs. Lisa Ross will be returning to the Auburn-Washburn district after living in Texas for a year. She will teach the fourth section added to 1st grade. Mrs. Kristina Morgan will be coming to us with eight years of teaching experience to teach 3rd grade.

On a final note, I would like to remind car rider parents that the new pickup procedures will begin on Monday, May 6th. Thanks again to everyone that has helped with this. Have a wonderful summer break!

It's a great day to be a Blue Jay,

Sarah Lucero, Principal

School Calendar

5/2	Shideler City Streets
5/3	No School Professional Development Day
5/8	Early Release 3:00 pm
5/10	Kindergarten Recognition 2:00 pm
5/14	JSE PTO Meeting 6:30 pm
5/17	4th and 5th Grades Talent Show-1:45 pm
5/21	6th Grade Science Fair 11:45 am
5/22	6th Grade Recognition & Talent Show-1:00 pm
5/23	Super Sports Day Last Day of School

Thank you to our 2018-2019 Big Jay Investors



Don't forget - JSE PTO is part of AmazonSmile! When you shop on AmazonSmile, the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price of eligible products to JSE PTO. Just select JSE as your charity of choice and then do your shopping!

President's Pen

Happy May Everyone,

This is Katie Dean, the new JSE PTO president. Are you like me and wondering what happened to the school year? It's May and the countdown to the last day of the school year has begun!

At our last JSE PTO meeting, we elected new officers for the 2019-2020 school year. In addition to myself, Danelle Harsin will continue as PTO Treasurer and Lindsey Munson as PTO secretary. Our new Vice President is Skye Gale.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday, May 14th at 6:30 pm, in the Library. We also will begin discussing our priorities for next year and wrapping up a few things from this year. There are lots of ways to get involved with the PTO, so we hope to see you there.

Speaking of next year's priorities, planning for the PTO's two main fundraisers, Boosterthon Fun Run and Sock Hop, are currently underway. We have lots of volunteer opportunities, especially for Sock Hop, leading up to and during the event. Please email me to learn how you can get involved with the fun.

On a personal note, I want to say thank you to Sherriene Sontag for serving as PTO president this year, and for her leadership and hard work!

And finally, the end of the school year always is a time when we say goodbye to members of our JSE family. Good luck to all of our sixth graders who are moving on to Washburn Rural Middle School next year.

Have a great May – and safe summer!

Katie Dean
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Counselor's Corner

I am always so amazed that it is May and the end of another school year and this year is no different. It has been a year of great change and growth with wonderful new staff members and students. My favorite change this year was celebrating at our monthly CARE Assemblies. Some amazing people have come to present and share how the character traits shape their lives for the better. We have also met our incoming kindergartners and we are excited to see them spread their wings next year. It is also bittersweet to say goodbye to our sixth graders. We know that the middle school is getting amazing students.

Our last character trait for the school year is Patience. This time of year, families are juggling multiple schedules and trying to find some semblance of "normal." I hope you can be patient with yourselves and enjoy the time with your kiddos. Time goes by quickly, so take time to create those memories that you will cherish. You will remember your adventures, you will not remember how clean your house was, or if your lawn was perfectly mowed.

Have a wonderful summer and I will be looking forward to seeing my Blue Jay Family in August!

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2019 Super Sports Day

Hey Everyone,

What an amazing year we have had at Jay Shideler! It is hard to believe we are in the final month of school. Your student will be bringing home a volunteer form for the 2019 Super Sports Day that we hold at Jay Shideler every year. Please help the event run as smoothly as possible and volunteer for a time you can be here. I am needing many adults 21 years or older to help man bounce house stations. If you are able to lend a hand, it would be much appreciated. If you have any questions please contact me at sorendak@usd437.net.

Mr. Sorensen

Don't forget to order your students' school supplies for 2019/2020 school year!



A Message From Lacy Randall

Jay Shideler Families,

I love my job here at Jay Shideler! As the school nurse, over the past four years, I have the privilege of meeting each and every student through routine screenings and seeing some of them more often when they are injured or not feeling well. Each day is different and it makes my job the best!

I wanted the families here at JSE to know that next year I will be part-time and job sharing with another great nurse. Lacy Frederick is joining me in the health room here at Shideler. Lacy F. says, "I am excited for the opportunity to share a position at JSE with Lacy Randall. I have been the school nurse at Pauline Central since the start of the 2017 school year, prior to that I worked at St. Francis for 16 years. I am married with two boys who are in 2nd and 4th grades."



Please help me in welcoming her to our school when you see her in the office next year. I look forward to working with her and continuing to work with your children!

As we wrap up this year and start the next, please feel free to email or call one or both of us with any health concerns, updates or questions! Our information is available on the USD 437 website. We will be collaborating and constantly communicating with each other to best serve the JSE population.

Lacy Randall
Jay Shideler Elementary
School Nurse, RN

Blues-n-BBQ Event

SAVE THE DATE: Friday, August 9, 2019

Dear parents, guardians, and friends,

We hope you'll join us for a fun, laid-back, **grown-ups only** evening of BBQ and live blues music. This is our kind of "Back to School Blues!" The event is arranged by and proceeds will benefit the Auburn-Washburn Public Schools Foundation. More information to come. Follow us on Facebook to stay in the know: @auburnwashburnfoundation

