

Jefferson School & Fox River Academy Jet Express

YMCA 21ST CENTURY AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

We are very happy to welcome back the YMCA After School Program to Jefferson. This program will be available for K-6 grade students at Jefferson & Fox River Academy. This program will have many new features due to a grant we received. This program will run daily after school from 3:16-6:00 pm. You can send your child one day, two days or all week depending on your work schedule and needs. Each YMCA School Age site is licensed by the state of Wisconsin and is supervised by trained, professional staff who provide a positive childcare experience.

BREAKFAST PROGRAM AT

JEFFERSON We will again be offering breakfast to any interested boys and girls. Breakfast will be served from 7:55-8:15 starting Sept. 6th. Milk and cereal will be available every day. Throughout the week eggs, yogurt, muffins, pop tarts or pancakes may also be offered. If your child is interested in eating breakfast at school it will cost \$1.00 a day. If you qualify for free or a reduced price hot lunch, you would also qualify for the same program at breakfast. If you would like more information, please contact our ARA food service at 832-1718.



STUDENT ID NUMBERS

Please have your child practice and memorize their student ID number that they use for lunch time. This number is located on their Friday Take Home Folders. This numbers will be used everyday and will remain their number as long as they attend an AASD School.

PHYSICAL EXAMS

Incoming Kindergarten students are encouraged to have a physical exam. Forms for this were distributed last spring. If you have misplaced it, please ask for another at the school office.

ENTERING THE BUILDING

The inside doors will be locked at 8:40 - You will need to press button on wall to enter the building. Please come to the office and sign in and pick up a visitor pass.

MARKING OF ARTICLES

Each year students lose or misplace articles such as lunch boxes, tennis shoes, etc. PLEASE TAKE TIME TO MARK THESE ARTICLES so they can be returned to their rightful owners if found.

FREE MILK-REDUCED & FREE HOT LUNCH OR BREAKFAST

Please fill out the forms you received on the first day of school. These new forms have both lunch/breakfast approval along with school fee on the back of the form. Be sure to fill in both sides.

POPS AT JEFFERSON AND FRA

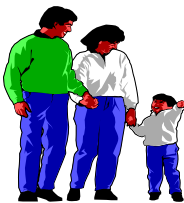
The Power of Positive Students, POPS, continues at Jefferson and Fox River Academy this year! We will focus on Respect, Responsibility, and Safety. Thickets will be given to students who are seen being safe, respectful and responsible. The tickets can be redeemed during the year for prizes or rewards. Ask your child 3 things they have learned about behaviors around the school. We'll kickoff our POPS year on Sept. 7th at 2:40 on the playground. Come check out our new theme song!

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PERMISSION TO LEAVE SCHOOL EARLY

Parents are asked to check in at the office. They will be signing a book on the counter. We will then either call the child to the office or if the parent wishes we will give them a slip of paper to give to the child's teacher. If you send a note to your child's teacher with your child stating that they must leave early we ask that you still come into school to sign the child out. You may then go directly to the classroom to get your child. This allows us to communicate to our staff which children are leaving school and for what reason thus keeping better track of all our students. We appreciate your support in this matter.



PHONE SYSTEM

The phone system goes to voice mail if we are on the line with someone else. Please leave a message and phone number. We will check the messages as soon as we can. If at all possible I will try to answer your calls. We feel it is important that you talk to a person when you call school and not a machine.



WANTED — LOVABLE PARENTS ARE NEEDED TO HELP IN OUR L.M.C.

Please keep our L.M.C. open by volunteering your time to work. Please call the school library media center if interested.

INTERNATIONAL DAY— SAVE THE DATE

4th, 5th, and 6th grade students are invited to an International Day at Highlands Elementary School on Saturday, October 22nd, 2011 from 8:15 – 11:30. Explore French, German, and Spanish culture and language while playing games, singing and dancing, and creating crafts. This is a free event!

LUNCH HOUR SUPERVISION NEEDED

We are looking for parents to assist in the lunch room during the lunch period. This is a paid position, \$8.25 an hour, 11:20 — 12:20. If you are available and wanting to assist, please call the school office at 832-6260.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON TAKE HOME

PACKETS - - Throughout the school year a number of important handouts and announcements will be sent home or Emailed on FRIDAYS. There will be times when only the youngest child in the family will be bringing home information. There may be other times when each of your children will be bringing home information about some upcoming event. We are trying to make sure that important school information is only going home once a week.

Please remember to ask your child(ren) every FRIDAY for school announcements or handouts.

TRAC - TRUANCY AND RUNAWAY ASSESSMENT CENTER

As we begin another school year, the Truancy and Runaway Assessment Center (TRAC) located in the Boys and Girls Club of the Fox Valley would like to remind parents of a resource available to them. The TRAC Program provides assessment, counseling, and follow-up services to students with attendance issues. TRAC also provides information on community resources, parenting information anger/stress management, and will assist students and parents in accessing the services needed to support the academic success of students.

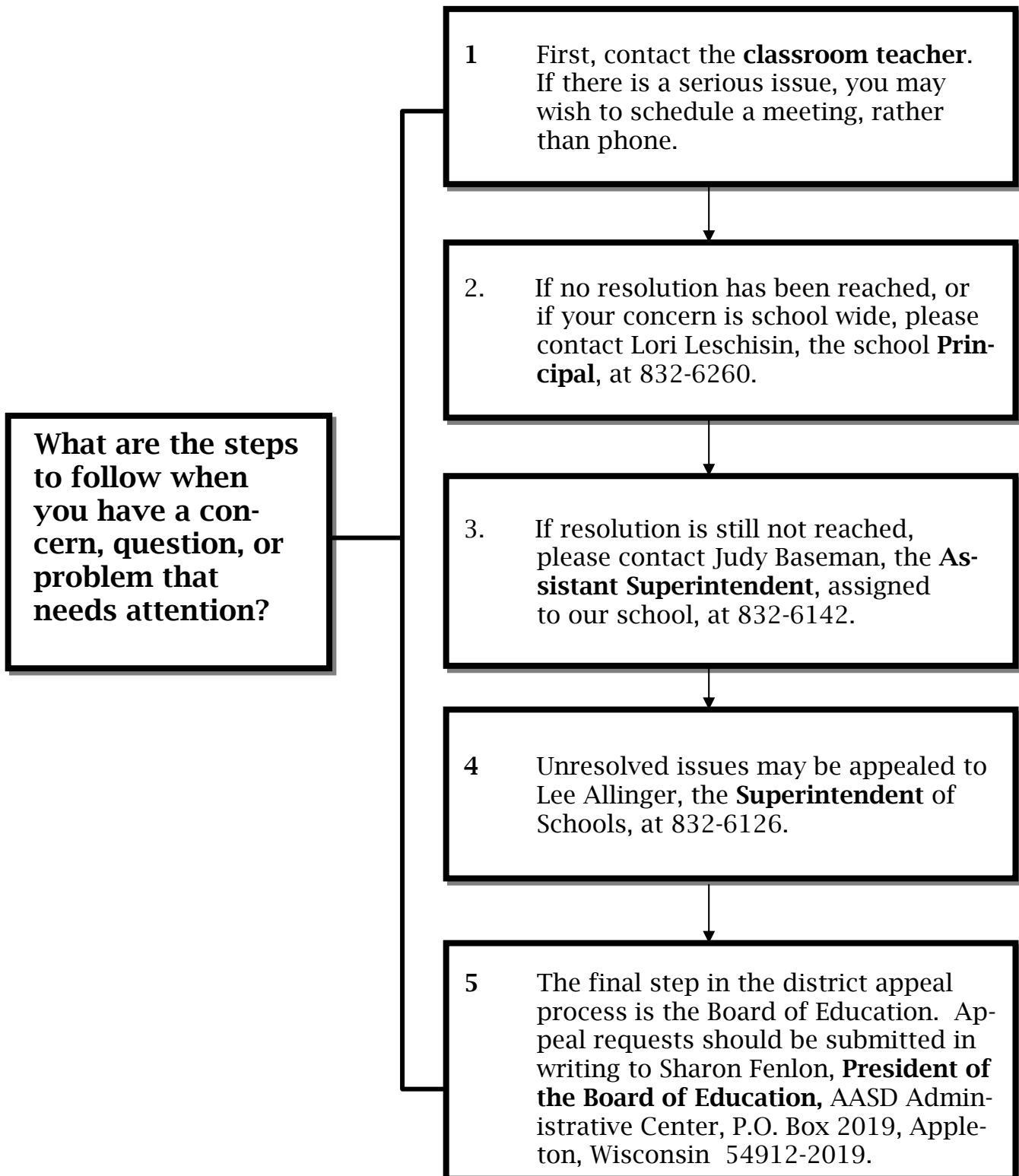
TRAC Director is Jerry De Long at 731-0555 ext. 246

LUNCH HOUR

Fox River Academy will start out our lunch hour at 11:10. Around 11:20 our all day kindergartners will go down to lunch. Each of these classes will be seated at their own table, and their teachers will stay with them until our regular lunch hour starts. At 11:30 students in grades 1-3 will be excused for lunch. Grades 4-6 will start their lunch hour as in the past by playing outside. At 11:50 our older students will come in to eat their lunches in the cafeteria. By this time most of our younger students and Fox River Academy will have finished their lunches and will be on their way outside. Our lunch hour will end at 12:20.

AASD Complaint Procedure

The Appleton Area School District, **Jefferson Elementary School** and **Fox River Academy** are committed to working closely with parents and guardians to resolve issues and concerns in a way that is mutually agreeable.





CHILD'S NAME:

_____ PLEASE DO NOT LIST MY CHILD'S PHONE NUMBER IN THE BUZZER.

_____ PLEASE DO NOT LIST PARENTS' FIRST NAMES IN THE BUZZER.

JEFFERSON SCHOOL BUZZER

The Jefferson P.T.A. will again print "THE JEFFERSON BUZZER", our student telephone directory. The Jefferson Buzzer will be sold in our school store approximately two weeks after school begins for 50 cents a copy. Every child's name will be listed in the buzzer. If you prefer that your phone number and parents' first names not be listed in this directory please drop this sheet in the PTA mailbox (located in the school office) or mail it to: Jefferson School PTA, 1000 S. Mason Street, Appleton,

DO NOT RETURN THIS FORM IF PERMISSION IS GIVEN TO INCLUDE YOUR CHILD'S PHONE NUMBER OR PARENTS' NAMES OR TO PHOTOGRAPH/VIDEO TAPE YOUR CHILD FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

Join PTA Today

It's a great way to get involved with your children's school and their education.

You'll meet other parents and make new friends.

If you're interested in joining, just fill out the bottom part and send it back to school.

\$5.00 for single membership and \$10.00 for family membership. Please make checks payable to Jefferson PTA.

I would like to join Jefferson PTA

Name _____

Address _____

Phone Number _____



Frequent Reader Miles



Dear Parents:

Strong reading abilities set the stage for a successful education. To help develop reading skills, the Jefferson community will be participating in a school-wide reading incentive program called the Frequent Reader Program.

We are committed to the idea that reading success is essential for success in all academic endeavors. We want our students to develop the habit of life-long reading and we believe that our reading incentive program provides a strong motivation for our students to increase their reading achievement and enjoyment.

Our reading incentive program will be the most effective when parents become involved. You can help your child reach their goal by reading to your child, listening to your child read, or providing books on tape. Any form of reading is acceptable for our program including books, magazines, newspapers, or even recipes.

The program motivates children to read at home by rewarding them for their reading accomplishments.

This is how it works:

- When students read 300 minutes they will move to the next landmark. The goal of 300 minutes applies to grades K - 6.
- We will strive to have each student reach a minimum of three landmarks each year.
- We currently have 15 landmarks. (Students can start over as Star Readers they need to then read 600 minutes to move to each landmark. Students who again pass the 15 landmarks then become Smile readers and they then read 1,200 minutes to move each landmark).
- Parents will be recording the total number of minutes read for their student on the calendar in their assignment notebook.
- The minutes will be recorded from the student calendar. The students achieving the 300 minutes goal will move their jets on the globe and receive the incentive for that level.
- Minutes can be accumulated *after* school (The YMCA After School Learning Program may sign off on reading minutes).
- Parents will need to make sure the reading level is appropriate for their child.

To receive credit for days read, please write down the number of minutes read each day and total up the minutes at the end of each month on the official Frequent Reader calendar. Be sure to also include the parent/guardian signature at the end of each month.

- Students will keep all reading calendars in their home-to-school folders/ assignment notebooks.
- Calendars will be collected by teachers and turned into the program coordinator each month.
- If the calendar is lost, please notify your teacher before the last day of the month to receive credit.
 - 300 miles Smiley Cap Eraser
 - 600 miles Scented Pencil
 - 900 miles Sticker (Assorted Designs)
 - 1200 miles Be A Star Reader Book Mark
 - **1500 miles Big Prize (Choice of books)**
 - 1800 miles Exercise Your Mind Pencil
 - 2100 miles Button (reading)
 - 2400 miles Tatoo (Assorted Designs)
 - 2700 miles Readers Are Leaders (Bookmark)
 - **3000 miles Big Prize (Choice of books)**
 - 3300 miles Pencil Grip (Cushy)
 - 3600 miles Pull Apart Pop-up Pencil
 - 3900 miles Certificate (Various coupons)
 - **4200 miles Big Prize (Choice of books)**
 - **4500 miles Star Reader's Award Presented at Monthly Assembly**
 - **5100 to 31,500 Awards are similar to above incentives with students needing 600 or 1,200 minutes of reading to advance each level. Incentive may change on a monthly basis with seasonal items.**

We encourage you to make reading a priority in your family and play an essential part in helping your children develop their reading abilities!

Sincerely,
Jefferson Staff

MEDICATIONS AT SCHOOL

Medications should be administered at home whenever possible. Parents/guardians are urged to consult with their family physician to determine if medications can be scheduled outside school hours. In the event that this is not possible, the district will administer medication within the following guidelines.

MEDICATION ADMINISTERED BY SCHOOL STAFF

Medication must be provided in the original container labeled with the student's name. A parent/guardian consent statement must be on file for all medications administered by school staff. A physician statement must also be on file for prescription medications.

SELF-MEDICATION

It is permitted, and sometimes necessary, for students to carry and administer their own medication. If a parent wants his/her child to possess medication for self-administration, the parent must complete an authorization form. Due to state law and district policy, asthma inhalers and controlled substances (such as Ritalin, Adderall, and codeine) also need physician authorization. Medication should be kept in the original container labeled with the student's name, and only a limited quantity should be carried to school. Self-administration of medication is discouraged at the elementary level.

MEDICATION FORMS

Medication forms are available in the school office. Medication forms may also be downloaded from the district website: <http://www.aasd.k12.wi.us/Parents/health.html>

Please check the expiration date of any medication provided to school. For the safety of our students, we are unable to administer medication beyond the labeled expiration date.

The Appleton Area School District does not discriminate against pupils on the basis of sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability or handicap in its education programs or activities. Federal law prohibits discrimination in employment on the basis of age, race, color, national origin, sex, religion or handicap.

FOX RIVER ACADEMY GIFT CARD (SCRIP) FUNDRAISER –

What is it all about?

The Fox River Academy initiated a gift card (scrip) fundraising program in the 2008/9 school year. It has proven to be a great way to support the Jefferson playground improvements and FRA field trips through the purchase of everyday items (primarily gas and food).

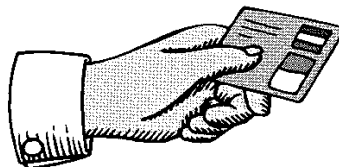
Here's how the gift card fundraiser (scrip) works. You purchase gift cards (scrip) for local businesses through the Fox River Academy. The current businesses available include Kwik-Trip (10% until 9/15/10, then 5%), Woodman's (5%), Fleet Farm (5%), Kohl's (5%), COPPS/Pick n' Save (4%), Festival (3%) and Marcus Theatre (15%). For example, you purchase \$100 Kwik-Trip gift cards. Kwik-Trip charges the school \$90 for your \$100 card that is worth \$100 to you. Kwik-Trip has given the school the profit. It costs you nothing extra and you have earned \$10 for our school improvements! What an easy way for you to help your child's school. We all consume food and gas so why not try participating in the FRA gift card fundraiser?

You can go to the Fox River Academy website and download a scrip order form or pick one up in the Jefferson school office. Once completed, this form, along with payment made to the "Fox Trackers", should be sent to the Fox River Academy to the attention of the Fox Trackers. Your order will be filled ASAP and you will be notified to make arrangements to pick up your gift cards. You can also order and pick up your gift cards on Monday mornings 8-8:30am and Thursday afternoons 3-3:30pm in the hall near the Kindergarten rooms in Jefferson elementary school, 1000 S. Mason Street, Appleton.

The FRA Gift Card Fundraiser provided ~\$1000 in 2009 and ~\$2000 in 2010 to the Jefferson playground improvements, provided funding for the FRA solar panel project and enabled several FRA students to participate on field trips with no out of pocket costs.

Thank you for considering to support the Jefferson playground improvements and the Fox River Academy through your purchase of gift cards. As an added bonus, each customer's name will be entered into a monthly drawing for a free gift card with each of their gift card orders. Good luck in winning!

Please contact Joanne Wayner at 830-1357 or bwayner@sbcglobal.net with any additional questions on Scrip.



**GIFT CARD
FUNDRAISER
ORDER FORM**



Student Name _____
 Phone Number / Email _____
 Date Rec'd _____ Cash Chk # _____ \$ Amt _____

Percent of Total Donated to FRA & Jefferson schools	Copp's / Pick 'N' Save	Festival Foods	Fleet Farm*	Kwik Trip †	Marcus Theaters	Woodman's †	SEASONAL GIFT CARDS	
							Kohl's *	5%
\$5.00	X	X	X	10%	15%	X		5%
\$10.00	X	X	X			X		X
\$20.00	X	X	X		X	X		X
\$25.00		X		X		X		
\$50.00					X			
\$100.00					X			
\$6.00/movie **	X	X	X	X		X		X
\$8.00/movie **	X	X	X	X		X		X
TOTALS (Cards / \$)			\$	\$	\$	\$		\$

DENOMINATIONS AVAILABLE

X'd out areas indicate denominations are NOT AVAILABLE.

* Fleet Farm gift cards may be used for anything except credit card debt. For gas purchases, you must pay inside the station.

† Woodman's gift cards may be used only for store purchases (grocery and liquor store) and may not be used for gas purchases.

‡ Kwik Trip gift cards may be used at the pump as well as for store purchases. They also honor competitors' gas coupons when scrip is used inside the store.

^ Kohl's gift cards may be used for purchases or credit card debt.

** Marcus movie prices increased in 2009. All movie passes purchased at 2008 prices remain valid with no expiration.

Make checks payable to: FOX TRACKERS

Orders are processed daily. Return order form to Jefferson School office, or stop in Mondays 8-8:30 am and Thursdays 3-3:30 pm to purchase gift cards directly. Please call Joanne Wayner at 830-1357 or email bwayner@sbcglobal.net with any questions.

What is the Gift Card Fundraiser?
 Gift cards or certificates purchased from area businesses who donate a percentage of the sale to the Fox River Academy and Jefferson schools.
 You, the buyer, receive the full value of each gift card.
 Money used from gift cards is used to defray costs of:

- Field trips
- General FRA support
- Improvements to our Green Teaching Building
- Jefferson/FRA playground improvements

3-5 Year Old Developmental Screenings Available at Jefferson Elementary School

This is your child's "other check-up" to make sure your child's development is on track.

The developmental screening looks at all areas of development including:

- * Fine motor skills - drawing, writing, block building, playing with Legos
- * Gross motor skills - walking, running, skipping, jumping and balance
- * Speech and Language skills - words, talking, describing, speech sounds
- * Thinking and Learning skills - listening, answering questions, attending

All children between the ages of 3-5 years of age that are not enrolled in kindergarten, and live in the Appleton Area School District can be screened. Students already enrolled in the kindergarten can not participate in the developmental screenings.

3-5 Year Old Developmental Screenings will be at
Jefferson Elementary School on Friday, September 23rd

You do not need to have concerns to have your child screened. We love to see typically developing children. The Appleton Area School District encourages all children to be screened prior to entering kindergarten. To schedule an appointment for a Developmental Screening, please contact Carin Tijan at 920-997-1399 Extension 2112.

