

# Jefferson County Christian School

May 2011 Newsletter

Dear JCCS School Family:

Some of you may have heard that an agreement has been drawn up for the purchase of the former Aquinas building and that it is our intent to be in that building for the coming school year. Although the negotiations have been continually slowed and stalled (since last June) we have had a transition team in place since January.

The transition team has put in many, many hours strategically planning to take this ministry to the Lover's Lane location. One of the members of the team asked, "Do we want to be the old school in the new building or a new school in the new building?" The team answered that question: "Both." Since that initial meeting of the transition team, we have taken a long hard look at moving logistics, building concerns, curriculum and educational programming, branding, community and church involvement and what will be the very best way that we can continue to serve Christian families in the tri-state area.

With all of this discussion, we are so excited for the coming school year and what all the changes will bring. I do not understand why it has taken so long to actually acquire the building but what I will say is what I have said before. The important thing is not the "why" but the "when". We need to be ready to go when God, our Father, says it is time to go.

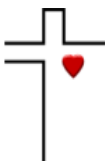
Remember when God gave Joshua instructions for "when" and "how" to cross the Jordan into the Promise Land (one of my very favorite passages of scripture, by the way.) The priests responded in complete obedience and stepped right into that rushing river. When their faithful feet touched the water, the water immediately held up on one side and ran down the other side creating the "way". It was the willingness of the people to go, when the Lord said, in the way the Lord said, that allowed God to show His glory in that great miraculous work. We need to be just as obedient, just as courageous, just as strong, just as faithful when the Lord tells us to go. . . so that we can watch Him be glorified in the great things that He will do for Jefferson County Christian School.

I included a quote by Oswald Chambers in the newsletter at this same time two years ago. I think, given our current circumstances, it is worthy of repeating now:

"It is no use to pray for the old days; stand square where you are and make the present better than any past has been. Base all on your relationship to God and go forward, and presently you will find that what is emerging is infinitely better than the past ever was."

May God accomplish all of His holy will in each of our individual lives and in the life of Jefferson County Christian School, now, and for the future.

Fully Trusting in Him,  
*Diane Hutchison*  
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Administrator



## NEWS YOU NEED TO KNOW

*Cinderella* was a wonderful success and we wish to congratulate and thank all those who participated in and supported this event. What you couldn't see was how sweet the spirit was among cast and crew back stage which blessed my heart. For those of you who came to see the play, I know you join me in appreciation of how special it was to see. We can never give enough thanks to Mrs. Bullard, Mrs. McGurn, Mrs. Johnson and Mrs. Grabits, for their **long hours and love** given so freely to present the special gift of "Cinderella" to our school. Thanks also to ALL the other parents, teachers, students, and supporters who worked so hard in so many ways to make the production possible. God bless you all.

### RE-REGISTRATION

Re-registration forms were due April 15<sup>th</sup>. After the 15<sup>th</sup> it will cost you \$25.00 to re-register your children. Please register now if you know that your students will be returning.



### BACK TUITION and CHARGES OWED

All back tuition due for the current year must be paid by May 30<sup>th</sup> in order to have your student enrolled for the next school year. Please address your debt as soon as possible. Any lost books fees/ hot lunch charges/ French Club charges/ book damages/ or missing uniforms that are not collected will result in report cards and all records being held at the end of the year.

**APRIL 28**

### Progress Reports and Notice of Improvement

will be sent home in the mail. It does NOT need to be signed and returned.



## DRESS CODE REMINDER



TAKE NOTE !!! Shorts are permissible at this date. Shorts must be neat walking shorts. No gym shorts. They must be no more than 2 inches above the knee. Girls: Shorts that are "low rise" or too tight will not be tolerated. Also, NO beach style FLIP FLOPS or FLAT THONG-TYPE BACKLESS SANDALS. Parents, it is your responsibility to filter the clothing that your children wear to school. Do not allow your student to wear the wrong thing and then wait to see if we will "catch it". If you have questions, please call.

**MAY 13**

### ACSI ART FESTIVAL

Our students have several wonderful entries to be judged at the festival this year. The art work at the in-school art show was FANTASTIC! Please take time to see the talent of our students while the projects remain in the hall.



**FISH FRY**



Thank God for His provision during the Fish Fry. Despite difficult economic times, the Lord gave us workers and customers and blessing as we needed it including a very healthy profit. We wish to thank everyone who helped out at the Fish Fry this year so selflessly giving of their time and effort. We are especially so thankful for the fine and faithful leadership of Mike and Kathy Mathison! Praise the Lord and God bless you all!

## FIELD TRIPS

**MAY 16-19** - News York City - Grades 11/12 Field Trip

**MAY 17-19** - Baltimore - Grades 9/10 Field Trip

**MAY 20** - Senior Banquet for Grades 9-12 only. Information will be sent home separately with students.

**MAY 24-25** - Gettysburg - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

**MAY 25** - Columbus - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip

**MAY 24**

### The JCCS SPRING CONCERT

AND

### ELEMENTARY AWARDS CEREMONY

will be held at 7:00 PM in the J.C.C.S. Gym. The concert will be presented by our students in Grades 1-7 and by our high school Performing Arts class. This will be a lovely and memorable spring celebration for our school family. Please plan to attend!

**MAY 26**

### Last Day for Seniors and Graduation Practice



for Grades 9-12  
from 12:15 to 2:00 PM.  
Permission slips will be sent home at a later date.

**MAY 27**

### LAST DAY FOR KINDERGARTEN!!

Friday, May 27<sup>th</sup> is the last day of school for Kindergarten students this year. Information about the end of the year Kindergarten program will be sent home to parents by Mrs. Bullard. Kindergarten students are invited to come back and participate in the PTF Field Day on Wednesday, June 1<sup>st</sup> but they must be supervised by one of their parents for the entire day.

**MAY 27**

### HIGH SCHOOL

### AWARDS ASSEMBLY AND GRADUATION

JCCS will hold its 15th Commencement Exercises at 7:00 pm at Colonial Baptist Church in Wintersville. All students in Grades 9-12 will participate. The entire school family is invited to attend. A reception hosted by the PTF will follow immediately in the church fellowship hall.

**MAY 30**

### NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day



**MAY 31**

### Junior High Awards Program

for Grades 7 and 8 at 1:30 PM in the school gym. Parents are invited to attend.

**JUNE 1**

### PTF FIELD DAY FOR GRADES K-6.

The PTF has a great field day planned for our elementary students on the last day of school!

**JUNE 1**

### LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

for Students and the End of Grading Period 4



### REPORT CARDS

will be sent home this year the week after school ends. Grades will include testing results from the SAT. Report Cards will be held for families owing any tuition or fees for this school year or books or uniforms until all JCCS property is returned and all accounts are paid in full.



### YEARBOOKS

Yearbooks can still be ordered for \$35.00. Please contact the office.



- The success of the Fish Fry
- The success of the play
- The success of this school year in each individual student's life

### UNIFORM COLLECTION

We are collecting all uniforms that are not currently being used. Any student from any team this year who still has a JCCS uniform at home **must return** it this month or that student's final report card will be held until the uniform is returned to us. Please bring uniforms to the office labeled with the student's name and turn it in to the office personnel.



### Pray to GOD for

- Safety for all of our field trips
- Our seniors as they go
- Next year's plans
- The teachers and families that He wants to be here next year

## SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During summer vacation  
the school office will be open on

**Tuesday from 9:00 AM- 12:00 PM**

**Messages will be received on the answering machine.**