

JOY JAMES ELEMENTARY
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- TAKS testing grades 3-5
April 28-May1
- Cinco de mayo Carnival
Saturday May 2nd
9:30am-1:30pm
- Progress Reports
May 12th
- PTO Meeting
May 12th
- JJE library 5:30-7:00pm
- Field Day
15 May
- 2-3 Music Program
Tuesday 26 May
6:30-7:30pm in the JJE
cafeteria
- End of the year awards
June 1-4 JJE cafeteria
- Last day of School
June 4th
Early Dismissal 1:15pm



Terry Johnson
Principal

Joy James Elementary School News

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Serving Students

The week of April 20th – 24th has been volunteer recognition week. This has been the time that all schools in the state of Texas say thank you to all of the people who have served the students of their local school in various ways. At Joy James Elementary we have adults who volunteer their time with PTO, as tutors reading with the students, filing items for teachers in their classrooms, answering the phone in the office, eating lunch with students, passing out papers, making copies, and being runners on picture days making sure that classes come to the photographers at the right time. We also have Joanne and Bob Adcock from the Tarrant County Literacy Coalition who are here faithfully every Monday and Wednesday working with all adults who show up on improving their use of the English language. All who volunteer are precious servants to our students, teachers, and parents here at our school. The volunteers are important parts of the body of Joy James that help it all function smoother and more effectively the more they get involved. Testimonies from students and teachers are heard everyday in the halls of the school regarding the work of the volunteers. We will be forever thankful for the time and energy they have given this year. To all the future volunteers out there, we can't wait to see you come through the doors and share with us the gifts and abilities you have. We will find a spot for you if you show the interest in wanting to help. Will you come and be a servant to the children of this community?

DICP Wins First Place in Regional Competition

DICP, JJE's Destination Imagination Team won first place in the Greater Fort Worth DI Region. There were 184 teams in competition. In the Instinct Messaging Challenge, which we participated in, there were 34 teams competing. The team advanced to State Competition in Houston in April. DI is an International Creative Problem Solving Organization for students from pre-k through high school. There are also some college teams involved..

This is the second time in three years that a team from Joy James has advanced to State competition. In 2007 the JJE Team, the DIvine Lions, won first place in Regional, the DaVinci Award, and Fourth Place Medals in State. We are extremely proud of these students who have spent more than 100 out of school hours preparing.

Team members are Eduardo T., Andres S., Jesus C., Nahomi T., and Crystal E. Team managers are Mr. Tewes and Mr. Trillo.

The Mission of Castleberry ISD is to graduate all students as lifelong learners who will excel in our changing world and competitive workplace.

Joy James Elementary Newsletter

Counselor's Corner

Dear Parents,

Hello and Happy Spring! It's hard to believe that time is flying so quickly. April is nearly over and May is fast approaching!

What we are looking forward to next at JJE is the Elementary Career Day for our students PK – 5th grade. We are excited about the different speakers who have already agreed to present at the Career Day. They will be talking to the students about the many facets of their careers such as what qualifications are needed, what education and training are necessary for their job, how important getting an education is to working in a career as well as other facets such as what the future outlook of their job is and what do they specifically like and dislike about their work! It should be an exciting time as well as informative for our Joy James Elementary students.

We also had the privilege of giving plagues to different businesses that have supported Joy James Elementary in some capacity. One of the businesses, McBee Homes, represented by Mr. White, graciously spoke to the students about how important it is to get an education and how beneficial having an education is.

I wish all of you a Happy Spring!

Sincerely,

Liz Brown, Counselor

2009 Summer School PreK-8th Grade

The 2009 Castleberry ISD Summer School will be offered to students in Pre-K through 8th Grades. If your student qualifies, the school will be contacting you prior to the end of school. The cost of Summer School for students who did not meet district attendance requirements is \$100.00; otherwise, there is no cost for all other eligible students.

Both Math and Language Arts classes will be offered this year. Classes will be held at Castleberry Elementary 2-3 and A. V. Cato Elementary Schools, Monday through Friday from 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We plan to incorporate numerous instructional strategies throughout the day to keep the students interested and engaged all day long.

All students will be offered breakfast and lunch at no charge. Breakfast will be served from 8:00 AM to 8:30 AM. Lunch times will vary depending on your child's grade level. Again this year, CISD will offer bus transportation to any eligible child. CISD will offer several bus routes with stops conveniently located throughout the district.

To learn more, please join us for one of our information sessions being held throughout the district:

CE Pk-3	May 26	Multipurpose Bldg.	6:30 PM
JJE	May 27	JJE Cafeteria	6:30 PM
AVC	May 28	Multipurpose Bldg.	6:30 PM
All Schools	May 30	Multipurpose Bldg.	1:30 PM
IMMS	June 1	IMMS Auditorium	6:30 PM

If you have any questions between now and the beginning of Summer School, please feel free to contact Chris McGrath, Summer School Principal Pre-K through 8th Grade (817-252-2494) prior to June 6, 2009.

For more information about Castleberry ISD

- Explore our Webpage: www.castleberryisd.net
- Watch **Charter Cable Channel 30** in the River Oaks and Sansom Park Areas.
- Call **817-252-2000** and choose **Option 8** for weekly events.

Schedule of Events

- Your school's calendar, as well as a district-wide calendar, are available on our website.
- From our home page, choose "schools," then your school, then "School Calendar."

Family Access

- CISD parents can now go online and view their student's grades, health records, attendance, and much more.
- Sign up for Skyward Parent Access today by calling 817-252-2023.

Volunteers

- From our home page, choose "Volunteer Program."
- You can print out a volunteer application and turn it in to your school secretary.

School Board Meetings

- A summary of each Board meeting is available on our website.
- From the home page, choose "Board of Trustees."