



James M Faulkner Elementary School
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Dear Parents and Guardians,

It has been a great first week. The students are happy, excited, and are smiling. I am so privileged to work with a fabulous staff and supportive parents at James Faulkner Elementary School. We are welcoming two new teachers this school year, Dawn Kovarik as our special education/ interventionist teacher and Leah Nelson as our Art teacher.

As the children entered through the building Wednesday they noticed some changes, but the biggest change they noticed was all the new faces and how big their classes were. Our enrollment has increased more than 30 % since June. Our decisions in regards to our reconfiguration of classes were made with the best interest of the students in mind. Teachers worked hard these past two weeks to prepare their classrooms and make the necessary changes they needed to be ready for opening day. It is a pleasure to work with such a flexible and supportive staff.

InfoSnap Online Student Registration is Here! We have a new way for you to provide us with necessary student information. It's called InfoSnap, and it allows parents to complete all necessary forms online. You no longer need to fill out those large packets of forms and return them to school; you are able to do it all on any computer connected to the internet. InfoSnap saves both time and money, as this streamlined system is a cost saver in paper, time, and management of the information for all of the school districts in SAU 24. If you have not received your InfoSnap invite email, then please contact Pam Dionne by phone at [603-446-3348](tel:603-446-3348) or email at pam.dionne@sau24.org. If you don't want to complete any of this process electronically, just let us know. We will make a packet of paper forms available for you to complete. When you return the forms to school, we'll enter the information for you.

Lunch Reminders:

Debbie Smith works really hard to provide a high quality lunch with fresh ingredients, some from our garden. We, however, need your help by following these guidelines:

1. Meals need to be ordered by Tuesday of the week prior to serving. This allows us to have an accurate account and plan accordingly. Please also note on the form what type of drink you want your child to have, non-fat chocolate milk, 1% white milk or 100% orange juice.
2. Payment may be delayed a few days or made a month ahead if that helps your financial management.
3. Same day lunch requests may not be honored due to no extra meals are planned. We only prepare based upon the previous week's orders. If necessary we will provide a peanut butter and jelly sandwich.

Before and After School News: Before School is opening at 6:30 AM this year!! Please be sure to complete the needed registration forms each week so we know who to expect Before School and After School. As in the case of the lunch program we can be flexible with payment schedules. Please keep in mind that this is a user funded program and your support is needed to have it happen. Special afterschool programs will be scheduled soon.

As a reminder, please do not drop off your children before 8:50 AM. We do not have supervision on the playground before then. If you need to drop off before this time please arrange care in our Before Care Program.

We have a new website! Check it out at: www.jfes.us

Dates to Remember:

Friday, September 5th - PTO Family Picnic 6:00 PM on the playground

Monday, September 8th - School Board Meeting 6:00 PM

Thursday, September 11th and October- 9th PTO Meeting 6:00 PM

Tuesday, September 30th – Back To School Open House 6:30PM -7:30PM

Menu: Week of September 2-5

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1 NO SCHOOL Labor Day	2 Pulled Pork Sandwich Cole Slaw Tater Tots Fruit Ambrosia	3 Macaroni and Cheese with Ham Steamed Broccoli Peaches	4 BBQ Chicken Tenders Green Beans Rice Melon Cup	5 Pizza Spinach Salad Strawberry Yogurt Parfaits

Menu: Week of September 8-12

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8 Shepherd's Pie Green Beans Fresh Fruit	9 Chicken Caesar Wrap Sweet Potato Wedges Peaches and Pears	10 Lasagna Toss Salad Garlic Roll Apple	11 Ham and Cheese Quiche Cups Roasted Fresh Rice Pilaf Fruit Salad	12 Pizza Veggie Pasta Salad Fruit Cup

Milk or juice is included with each meal.

I look forward to meeting you at our Back To School Night on September 30th from 6:30 to 7:30. My door and ears are always open to you. If you have questions, concerns, or just want to say "hi," feel free to phone 446-2318 (direct line), e-mail me, or just stop in for a visit.

I am looking forward to a year full of growth and learning among all of us.

Sincerely,

Martha LeMahieu, Principal