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Living Life on 2 Wheels



All Kids Bike Learn-To-Ride Bike Program Implemented in 16 Jefferson County Schools with 4 more surrounding Schools receiving the program this Spring through health and wellness challenges presented by #30ForTheKids.

Living Life on 2 Wheels, a Jefferson County MO non-profit, partnered with All Kids Bike® with a goal to launch the Learn-To-Ride bike program in 35 Jefferson County elementary schools. Living Life on 2 Wheels received support from Home Service Oil and Express Mart, the Jefferson Foundation, Enterprise Bank, Walmart Festus, Aldi, Delta Dental, Leader Wedding Fair, and many generous advocates of the sport of cycling. Home Depot Festus has donated materials to build storage systems for each school to hold its fleet.

Plattin Primary accepted their fleet of 24 bikes on Monday, April 11. With the help of volunteers from Living Life on 2 Wheels, the bikes were fully

assembled and ready for kids in less than one hour. An assembly was held with the first grade and kindergarten students to introduce the bikes to them and allow them to take a few laps on the balance bikes. Next year, when the program is fully implemented during PE class, the students will start on the balance bikes (with no pedals) and then transition to pedaling all on their own. The students of Plattin Primary, along with their PE Teacher, Coach Wilson, are excited to bring the program to the students next year.

"Bringing Strider balance bike fleets into schools, building them up with our team and donors, and then presenting them to the children is an experience like no other. You see the excitement, fear, and joy on their faces, most of these children have not experienced learning to ride a bicycle. There is no doubt the positive impact this program will have." says Rene Creed, co-founder of Living Life on 2 Wheels and All Kids Bike® national ambassador.







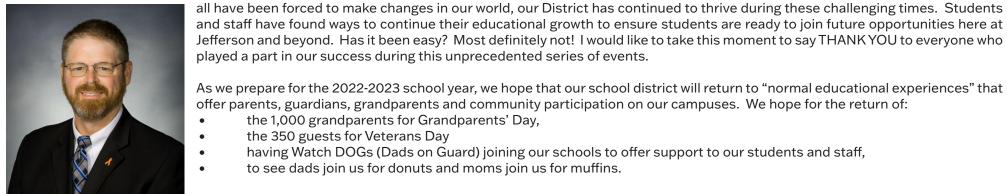




SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

Returning to Normal

I hope this message finds you healthy and preparing for the summer that is just around the corner. The Jefferson R-VII School District has just finished our regular school year and 2 1/2 years of education that has provided as many challenges as I have ever seen in my 30-year career in public education. While we



offer parents, guardians, grandparents and community participation on our campuses. We hope for the return of: the 1,000 grandparents for Grandparents' Day,

- the 350 guests for Veterans Day
- having Watch DOGs (Dads on Guard) joining our schools to offer support to our students and staff,
- to see dads join us for donuts and moms join us for muffins.

Each of these interactive opportunities will show we are "returning to normal times" across Blue Jay Nation. We will continue to monitor safety and health precautions, but we hope to see all of our community come back to these events, which makes our schools such a jubilant and energizing place to be. Here's to a new year and a return to normal! Enjoy your summer.

Superintendent Clint Johnston

Principal Messages

Jefferson High School



David Haug

It has been an honor and a privilege to have served as the building principal at Jefferson High School for the past nine years and two years as district

activities director prior. Jefferson R-VII is an outstanding community. I am looking forward to transitioning into the deputy superintendent position next year.

I am reminded every spring of the importance and significance of graduation. A culmination of thirteen years of learning and the memories each family has of the education experience. Our Class of 2022 had a unique high school experience with the pandemic.

This class prospered through adversity. This class earned 932 college hours collectively, which is the most since we partnered with Jefferson College in 2013. They earned 1.3 million dollars in scholarships for their first three years of post-high school opportunities. This class has been a great example for others to follow in dealing with adversity.

The Class of 2022 graduation ceremony was significant for our district. The past two years have been trying on every family, student, and staff member. There was a sense of normalcy at the graduation ceremony this year. I am greatly looking forward to transitioning into a new era of education where we take the best of education from the prepandemic era and incorporate what we have learned throughout the pandemic to maximize the educational experience. This will not be easy, but nothing that is worth doing is. We have the strength of this community to create an exceptional learning environment for all students.

Danby-Rush Tower



Cindy Holdinghausen planned and executed best teaching practices and held students to high standards and expectations to continue to provide an excellent learning environment for all our students.

It has been a fantastic year, filled with events that have brought us closer together. We would like to thank you for your ongoing support throughout the year. We could not offer such a rich education to our students without the continuing support that you all give. Unfortunately, we must say goodbye to a few of our amazing teachers who will be leaving us this year: Debbie Graham, Baileigh Kausler, Amanda Adamse, Justin Horn, and Gene DeSalme. Thank you for your years of service in education and we wish you well in all of your future endeavors.

The summer months always seem to fly by quickly which means the new school year will be here soon. Please remember to mark your calendars for our Registration Day scheduled for August 11th. This is for anyone who has not already pre-registered for the upcoming school year. Parents and students, who have pre-registered, do not need to be in attendance on August 11th. You can find the steps to register on the website. Also, please make arrangements to join us for our Open House on August 18th from 5:30 to 7:00 pm.

Again, I want to thank you all for an incredible school year! Enjoy your summer and time with your children.

Telegraph Intermediate



Dalania Watson

Sunshine and Summertime has arrived! I hope each of you are enjoying the slower pace of the summer season. While many students are not with us this summer.

we still are welcoming over two hundred students to our summer program each day of June. The slower pace of summer allows for reteaching, intervention, and enrichment. I love that we are able to provide this opportunity for our students.

The last quarter of school zoomed by with a blink of an eye. The students finished up benchmark testing, state testing, and a few fun days in-between! It was a great way to end the year with normalcy. Parents joined us for field days, field trips, and other activities held the last week of school.

On the very last day of school we graduated 49 preschool students. Our preschool is growing by leaps and bounds with over 95 students enrolled for the 2022-2023 school year.

Every year I say, "This year flew by!" Boy did it~ we had long days but the weeks flew by! I am so proud of the tenacity of our students and staff as we were five days a week again with a few snow day interruptions. It has been two years since we had five full days of school for an entire school year. Thank you for continuing to support and encourage your child each and every day.

As we closed the door on the 2021-22 school year we said goodbye to Mrs. Williams, our reading specialist. Retirement is the next chapter of her book and we are so happy for her! Our pink day for her was a huge success!

I want to wish everyone a healthy and restful summer! August will be here before we know it! Please keep an eye on the mailbox for information regarding the return to school.

Plattin Primary



Tina Basler

lt's summer!! Time for warmer weather, baseball games, swimming, golfing, and vacations. This summer brings

about some mixed emotions for me personally as I will be sending my oldest child off to college as the summer draws to a close. On the school side of things, summer also brings about a time for reflection, summer cleaning, new carpet in classrooms, new ideas and projects, hiring and meeting new staff, and planning for next year. While the school may be empty of children, there is still a lot of work to be done as we gear up for next year. Summer planning is always an exciting time!

At the close of this year we had to say goodbye to three Plattin staff members. Miss Brenda has been working in our kitchen for the past two years. She has decided to retire, but we know we will see her back next year bringing her lovely

seasonal decorations to our cafeteria and subbing as a cook when needed. Mrs. Barton had a baby boy this past year and has decided to stay home to raise her little boy. She is a wonderful teacher that is ready to be a full-time mommy! We congratulate Mrs. Clonts as she is moving up to Danby Middle School to be their art teacher. We will miss her at Plattin and Telegraph, but are very excited for her to take her talents to the middle school level. We will be excited to introduce our new staff to you in our August edition.

Our summer school is already in session with over 230 students enrolled, keeping me in touch with many students through the end of June. It's always exciting to meet our newest kindergarten students - so many little siblings of our older students this year! They are already learning so much and learning how to be great students! Please continue to partner with us over the summer and encourage your kids to read just a little (or a lot!) each week. It will help keep those reading and comprehension skills from getting rusty over the long break. Most importantly, have a fun and enjoyable summer! We look forward to seeing all of you back in August!



Congratulations to the Class of 2022



The Preschool, Kindergarten, Eighth Grade Promotion, and High School Graduations can all be found on our live stream website. Scan the QR code to be directed to our live stream page. You can find all graduations under the On Demand section.



Preschool - Class of 2035





Kindergarten - Class of 2034



Eighth Grade - Class of 2026



Accepted College/University Scholarships and JHS Honors

Kyla Paige Allen - (daughter of Benjamin and Leslie Allen)

Scholarships: Southwest Baptist University – Dean's Scholar Award and Track & Field Athletic Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Chelsea Savannah Badger - (daughter of Joe and Nina Badger)

Amanda Laura Bates - (daughter of Matthew Bates and the late Renee Bates)

Gabrielle Jeanne Beffa - (daughter of Ryan and Alisyn Beffa)

Scholarships: Culver Stockton College – President's Scholarship, Honors Scholarship and Golf Scholarship; Lyly Koenig Memorial Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII MSTA/MNEA Scholarship; PFC Andrew Habsieger Memorial Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII PTO Making a Difference Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII PTO Blue Jay Dollar Scholarship; 2022 Jefferson High School Coaches Female Senior Athlete Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Senior Class President; Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizen Recipient; September Rotary Student of the Month; Rotary Youth Leadership Academy; St. Louis Post Dispatch Scholar Athlete; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Gabrielle Alexis Bollinger - (daughter of Joel and Beth Bollinger)

Andrew Robert Breeze - (son of Matt and Jane Breeze)

Scholarships: Lindenwood University – Academic Merit Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award; Academic Letter; National Honor Society President; Magna Cum Laude

Lucas Sterling Breeze - (son of Sean Breeze and Amy Jo Cook)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Vice President; Cum

Laude

William Chris Breeze - (son of Matt and Jane Breeze)

Scholarships: Lindenwood University – Academic Merit Scholarship; Lyly Koenig Memorial Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: 2022 Jefferson High School MSHSAA Award of Excellence; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Chloe Helen Burgard - (daughter of Robert and Sarah Burgard)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Landen Alan Burger - (son of Ryan Burger and Stefanie Burger)

Teagan Michelle Capstick - (daughter of Todd and Dawn Capstick)

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Peyton Elizabeth Cattoor - (daughter of Jared and Amelia Cattoor)

Scholarships: St. Louis University – Vice President Scholarship; Red Cross Scholarship; Bright Flight Scholarship

Honors: April Rotary Student of the Month; Missouri Scholars 100 Honorable

Mention; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Tristan Anthony Cavanaugh - (son of Erick and Paula Cavanaugh)

Honors: Area Technical Student Program Completer

Nolan Samuel Chamberlin - (son of Josh and Sarah Chamberlin)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; Magna Cum Laude

Jeremiah Logan Chipps - (son of Jack Chipps and Diana and Doug Rystrom) **Scholarships:** University of Central Missouri – Red and Black Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Military Recognition; Cum Laude

Christopher Michael Coaley - (son of Clint and Cantada Coaley and Tonya and Joe Siebert)

Jackson Earl Combs - (son of Greg and Mandy Combs and Michelle and Tim

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Military Recognition; Academic Letter; Area Technical Student

Program Completer; Cum Laude

Kaylie Elaina Cook - (daughter of Bradley and Tara Cook)

Scholarships: University of Missouri (Columbia) - Curator Scholar Award and

CAFNR Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; 42 Hour College

Accelerated Program; Magna Cum Laude

Maggie Elizabeth Cornell - (daughter of Herschel Cornell Jr and Mandy Kelly)

Scholarships: Truman State University – TruMerit Scholarship and President's Honorary Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award;

Summa Cum Laude

Drew Tyler Courtwright - (son of Chris Courtwright and Joanna Pashos)

Dalton Robert Cummings - (son of Marcus Cummings and Brittany and Chris Archibald)

Grace Olivia Daugherty - (daughter of Brian Daugherty and Nicole Blankenship)

Taylor Michelle Daugherty - (daughter of Bradley and Angela Daugherty)

Scholarships: Drury University – Presidential Scholarship, Legacy Scholarship and Priority Admission Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: December Rotary Student of the Month; Sophomore Pilgrimage

Representative; Academic Letter; Magna Cum Laude

Katie Michelle Deevers - (daughter of Robert and Lisa Deevers)

Honors: Military Recognition; Jefferson High School Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete; Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Kyle James Deevers - (son of Robert and Lisa Deevers)

Honors: Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Alexander Chance Demille-Thomason - (son of Aaron Cawthon and Sarah Thomason)

Accepted College/University Scholarships and JHS Honors Cont.

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Karter Jaxon Dowd - (son of Jason Dowd and Katie Johnson)

Scholarships: A+Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; Magna Cum

Laude

Hanna Jo Duban-Barnes - (daughter of Jason and Angela Barnes and

Samantha Kauffman)

Madison Elizabeth Edmond - (daughter of David and Angie Edmond)

Taryn Kendal Edwards - (daughter of Daniel and Megan Stemick)

Caleb Michael Fears - (son of Jason Fears and Jessica Fears and Randy Roth)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Cum Laude

Sophie Louise Firle - (daughter of Michael and Kristin Firle)

Scholarships: Missouri University of Science & Technology - Kummer Vanguard Scholarship, Access MO Grant, Honors Academy Scholarship, Groundbreaker Package and Biology Scholarship; Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation's Access Extra Scholarship; MoASBO Scholarship; Bright Flight Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; Magna Cum Laude

Gracie Alexis Friedmeyer - (daughter of Frank and Stephanie Friedmeyer)

Honors: Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Madison Elizabeth Galli - (daughter of Phillip Galli and Julie Hemmen and Kimberly and Alex Ferguson)

Samuel Aidan Hawley - (son of Glen and Megan Hawley)

Honors: Military Recognition; Area Technical Student Program Completer

Jalen Rose Heberlie - (daughter of Willie and Linda Heberlie)

Kelsey Reagan Henson - (daughter of Jamey and Michelle Henson)

Scholarships: St. Louis University – Vice President Scholarship; Nagel Go Red Healthcare Scholarship; Bright Flight Scholarship

Honors: Girls State Representative; Missouri Scholars Academy Attendee; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Magna Cum Laude

Reagan Renee Hill - (daughter of David and Jodi Hill)

Grace Ann Holdinghausen - (daughter of the late Terry Holdinghausen and Lori Holdinghausen)

Scholarships: Jefferson College - President's Scholarship; JCSCA Woods/ Wyman Memorial Scholarship; Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation's Access Extra Scholarship; Red Cross Scholarship; Tye and Scott Edwards Memorial Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Student Council Historian; October Rotary Student of the Month; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Jacob Lee Holdinghausen - (son of the late Terry Holdinghausen and Lori Holdinghausen)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship; Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation's Access Extra Scholarship

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

David Henry Hollenberg - (son of Matt and Laurie Hollenberg)

Scholarships: Lindenwood University – Academic Scholarship and Archery Scholarship; American Legion Homer C. Boyer Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Eagle Scout; Academic Letter; Area Technical Student Program

Completer; Magna Cum Laude

Jackson Derek Hueter - (son of Andy and Christy Hueter)

Scholarships: University of Missouri (Columbia) – Chancellor Award; Dorothea Jackson Memorial Scholarship; 2022 Festus/Crystal City Sam Shapiro Rotary Scholarship

Honors: Senior Class Secretary; January Rotary Student of the Month; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Robert William Hurley Jr. - (son of Robert Hurley and Rebecca Reynolds and Kari Smith and Dustin Picou)

Honors: Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Reagan Elizabeth Kennedy - (daughter of Jonathan and Jennifer Kennedy)

Scholarships: Maryville University – Saint's Scholarship; Mississippi Lime Harry B. Matthews Jr. Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII PTO Blue Jay All the Way Scholarship; Nagel Go Red Healthcare Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: November Rotary Student of the Month; 2022 Optimist Youth; 2022 Jefferson High School MSHSAA Award of Excellence; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Paige Elizabeth Kidkul - (daughter of Chat Kidkul and Laurie Womack)

Scholarships: Ringling College of Arts & Design – Dean's Scholarship and College Grant; Bright Flight Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; 62 Hour College Accelerated Program; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Jordan Isaac Klinker - (son of John and Mary Klinker)

Kyle John Lintzenich - (son of Scott and Suzanne Lintzenich)

Scholarships: Murray State University – Regents Scholarship, Centennial Scholarship and Regents Scholarship Stipend; Bright Flight Scholarship

Honors: Eagle Scout; Boys State Representative; Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; 62 Hour College Accelerated Program; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Elizabeth Marie Maness - (daughter of Michael Maness and Sarah Maness)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Haley Paige McClung - (daughter of Keith and Jennifer McClung)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum

Laude

Cameron Nicole Menke - (daughter of Michael and Cathy Menke)

Elyceo Marcello Mercer - (son of James and Jacqueline Mercer)

Accepted College/University Scholarships and JHS Honors Cont.

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Cum Laude

Francisco Jose Mijarez - (son of the late Jose Mijarez and Angela Miller)

Gracey Ann Moon - (daughter of Keith and Robyn Moon)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: March Rotary Student of the Month; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa

Cum Laude

Alana Meng-Hua Nelms - (daughter of Ben and Kathie Nelms)

Scholarships: Jefferson College - Twin City Area Optimist Club Scholarship;

A+ Scholarship

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Cum Laude

Abby Jo Obermeyer - (daughter of Jeffrey and LeAnna Obermeyer)

Scholarships: Jefferson College - President's Scholarship; JHS Music

Boosters Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Award for Musical Excellence; Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; National Honor Society Secretary;

Magna Cum Laude

Michael Agustos Pashos II - (son of Michael and Joanna Pashos)

Kayla Louise Peterein - (daughter of Keith and Patricia Peterein)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Cum Laude

Chase Duncan Politte - (son of Johny and Brea Ellsworth)

Scholarships: United States Coast Guard Academy Appointment

Honors: Senior Class Treasurer; Military Recognition; Jefferson High School Army Reserve National Scholar/Athlete; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Mallory Elizabeth Rarick - (daughter of Steve and Sherri Rarick)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Student Council Secretary; National Honor Society Member; Cum

Laude

Colton Jennings Richardson - (son of Pete and Renee Richardson)

Scholarships: Missouri Baptist University - Academic Scholarship and Football Scholarship; Larry Blaha Heart of the Team Scholarship; 2022 Jefferson High School Coaches Male Senior Athlete Scholarship; A+

Scholarship

Abigail Elizabeth Settlemoir - (daughter of Steve and Felicia Joedicke and

Stephanie Settlemoir)

Honors: Area Technical Student Program Completer

Breanna Rose Shepard - (daughter of Billy and Stacey Shepard)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; Cum Laude

Lillian Izella Sikes - (daughter of Ron and Catie Sikes)

Scholarships: Jefferson College - President's Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII PTO Jo Ellen Murphy Scholarship; Missouri Scholarship & Loan Foundation's Access Extra Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; National Honor

Society Member; Magna Cum Laude

Caleb Jonathan Silipo - (son of Michael and Jennifer Prater)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Abriella Kay Smith - (daughter of Derrick and Angela Smith)

Scholarships: Southeast Missouri State University - Copper Dome Scholarship and Residence Life Scholarship; 2022 Kevin Epperson Shelter

Insurance Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor

Society Treasurer; Magna Cum Laude

Lydia Rose Strohmeier - (daughter of the late Craig Strohmeier and April

Strohmeier and Cody Bailey)

Scholarships: Jefferson College - Follett Book Scholarship; Brenda J. Preston Memorial Scholarship; Cole's Hope Foundation Memorial

Scholarship: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Senior Class Vice President; February Rotary Student of the Month; Tri-M Music Honor Society; Academic Letter; National Honor Society

Member; Magna Cum Laude

Alyssa Dawn Sullivan - (daughter of Daniel and Dawn Sullivan)

Scholarships: Blue Jay Foundation Scholarship; Mississippi River Eagles Ron Sweet Memorial Scholarship; 2022 Kevin Epperson Shelter Insurance

Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Cum Laude

Emily Grace Sullivan - (daughter of Greg and Shannon Sullivan)

Scholarships: University of Missouri (Columbia) - Curator's Scholarship;

English Department Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; 42 Hour College Accelerated Program; National Honor Society Member; George Washington

Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Nicholas Tyler Sullivan - (son of Daniel and Dawn Sullivan)

Scholarships: Mississippi River Eagles Ron Sweet Memorial Scholarship; A+

Honors: Tri-M Music Honor Society; Cum Laude

Paige Marie Theodoro - (daughter of Josh Theodoro and Michelle Theodoro)

Morgan Elizabeth Todd - (daughter of Tim and Tracy Todd)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Cum Laude

Jacob Lee Triplett - (son of Loyd Triplett and Mary Watson)

Scholarships: A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; Area Technical Student Program Completer; Cum

Kiersten Elizabeth Vandeven - (daughter of Ryan and Amy Klump)

Scholarships: Southeast Missouri State University - Copper Dome Scholarship and Residence Life Scholarship; Jefferson R-VII MSTA/MNEA Scholarship; 2022 Kevin Epperson Shelter Insurance Scholarship; Nurse

Wanager Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: Academic Letter; National Honor Society Member; Magna Cum

Laude

Andrew Micheal Voyles - (son of Charles and Reba Mahue and Amy Losh)

Accepted College/University Scholarships and JHS Honors Continued

Macie Reah Waddell - (daughter of Keith Pinson and Kristie Waddell) **Scholarships:** A+ Scholarship

Peyton Elizabeth Waters - (daughter of Steven Waters and Lisa and Chad Smith)

Joshua Gabriel Waugh - (son of William and Nannette Waugh)

Peyton Madison Weiler - (daughter of Chad and Molly Weiler)

Scholarships: University of Missouri (Columbia) – Chancellor's Scholarship; Blue Jay Foundation Scholarship

Honors: Student Council Treasurer; United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; 62 Hour College Accelerated Program; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Summa Cum Laude

Hannah Marie Wigger - (daughter of Jared Wigger and Lisa and Matt Lewis)

Scholarships: Truman State University – President John R. Kirk Scholarship; Bright Flight Scholarship

Honors: United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; Magna Cum Laude

Nathaniel Marcus Witte - (son of Randy and Ericka Witte)

Scholarships: Jefferson College – President's Scholarship; Mississippi Lime Harry B. Matthews Jr. Scholarship; Red Cross Scholarship; A+ Scholarship

Honors: May Rotary Student of the Month; Wendy's High School Heisman School Winner; Academic Letter; College Preparatory Certificate; National Honor Society Member; George Washington Carver Top 10% Award; Magna Cum Laude

Academic awards based on GPA may be adjusted after dual credit grades are posted.

2022 Special Olympics



I have had the opportunity of working with Mrs. Hollenberg's students for the past semester through the high school's A-Plus Program. Going to see and interact with her students is by far the best part of my day! I formed connections with all of the students in the class. It is amazing to see how positive each and every student is. No matter what challenge they are faced with, they all find the bright side of the situation. I personally think I have learned more from the students than they have learned from me.

In the classroom I see students work on assigned work, interact with classmates, play, and complete basic life skill tasks. Special Olympics allowed me to see a different side of each student. Yes, I see students have fun and enjoy themselves in the classroom, but nowhere near the same level of fun I saw first hand at the track meet. My athlete, as well as all R-7 athletes, was beyond proud of herself after each event she competed in.

I was partnered with an athlete for the Special Olympics track meet. Throughout the day, she participated in several events, including the 100 meter run and the softball throw. It was my responsibility to be her cheerleader! My favorite part was Victory Village. Victory Village was an area off to the side where athletes could go get away from the craziness on the field. In Victory Village, there were various carnival games, sidewalk chalk, sensory activities, and many other toys.

This was by far my favorite volunteering experience. I formed such a strong connection with my athlete! For high school students, Special Olympics is an amazing opportunity. I recommend that every high school student takes the opportunity to go to a Special Olympics event at least once in their high school career!

Written by Gabby Beffa









2021-2022 Post Season Honors

SOFTBALL

All-Conference

Cami Menke - 1st Team Lia Ott - 2nd Team

Morgan Figliolo - 2nd Team

Allison Campbell - Honorable Mention

All-District

Allison Campbell - 1st Team Cami Menke - 1st Team Morgan Figliolo - 2nd Team Lia Ott - 2nd Team

Peyton Cattoor - 2nd Team

All-Region

Cami Menke- 2nd Team

Academic All-State

Peyton Cattoor Reese Humphrey Claire Goodwin Lia Ott

CROSS COUNTRY

All-District

Ian Ehrhardt - 19th Peyton Easter - 23rd Hannah Wigger - 30th

Academic All-State

Ayla Karch Hannah Wigger Alex Breeze Jack Hueter

VOLLEYBALL

JCAA Small School Coach of the Year

- Tara Fish

JCAA Small School Player of the Year

- Kirstyn Loyd

All-Conference

Kirstyn Loyd- 1st Team Emma Breier- 1st Team Ava Roth-1st Team

Malayne Lednick - 2nd Team Paige Siebert- 2nd Team

All-District

Ava Roth-1st Team Kirstyn Loyd-1st Team Emma Breier-1st Team Paige Siebert - 1st Team Malayne Lednick - 1st Team Maclayne Mcpeters - 2nd Team Avery Richardson - 2nd Team

Dream Team

Ava Roth Kirstyn Loyd Emma Breier Paige Siebert

Dream Team Coach of the Year - Tara

All-State

Ava Roth Kirstvn Lovd Emma Breier Paige Siebert

Academic All-State

Emma Breier Riley Duvall Malayne Lednick Kirstyn Loyd Maclayne McPeters Ava Roth Caycee Schwartz Paige Siebert Lydia Strohmeier

FOOTBALL

I-55 Offensive Player of the Year -

Drew Breeze*

I-55 Special Teams Player of the Year

- Will Breeze

All-Conference

Konner Armstrong- 1st Team Offensive Guard*

Konner Armstrong - 1st Team Defensive Line³

Drew Breeze - 1st Team Quarterback

Colton Richardson - 1st Team Tight End*

Chase Politte - 1st Team Wide Receiver*

Mason Campbell - 1st Team Offensive Tackle*

Will Breeze - 1st Team Defensive Back

Will Breeze - 1st Team Kicker

Sam Stokes - 1st Team Running Back

Sam Stokes - 1st Team Linebacker

Drew Breeze - 2nd Team Punter

Jackson Combs - 2nd Team Defensive

Colton Richardson - 2nd Team

Nate Breeze - 2nd Team Defensive

Sean Usery - 2nd Team Fullback Chase Politte - HM Defensive Back Brady Sadler - HM Defensive End

Clayton Fogelbach - HM Center Sean Usery - HM Linebacker

All-Region

Drew Breeze - Quarterback Chase Politte - Wide Receiver Colton Richardson - Tight End Konner Armstrong - Offensive Line Sam Stokes - Running Back Sam Stokes - Linebacker Will Breeze - Defensive Back Jackson Combs - Defensive Line

Colton Richardson - Linebacker

Sean Usery - Linebacker

Nate Breeze - Defensive Back

Will Breeze - Kicker

All-District

Drew Breeze - 1st Team Quarterback Colton Richardson - 1st Team Tight End

Will Breeze - 1st Team Kicker

Konner Armstrong - 2nd Team

Defensive End

Sam Stokes - 2nd Team Linebacker

Dream Team

Drew Breeze

Academic All-State

Drew Breeze Chase Politte Clayton Fogelbach

All-State

Colton Richardson - 1st Team - Tight

* Denotes Unanimous Selection

GIRLS BASKETBALL

All-Conference

Gabby Beffa - Honorable Mention Grace Neels - Honorable Mention

All-District

Gabby Beffa

Academic All-State

Peyton Cattoor Sophie Firle Peyton Weiler

BOYS BASKETBALL

All-Conference

Colton Richardson - 1st Team Drew Breeze - 2nd Team

All-District

Drew Breeze Colton Richardson

Academic All-State

Jack Hueter Chase Politte

DANCE

Academic All-State

Valerie Duepner Tatum Govreau Abby Obermeyer Abi Smith Lili Smith **Emily Sullivan** Mallory Thomas Morgan Todd

Band

Mark Twain Invitational - (Silver

Outstanding Percussion

Outstanding Music

2nd Place Overall

All-District Concert Band

Cole Van Kyle Lintzenich

All-District High School Jazz Band

Caleb Silipo

Jefferson College Honor Band

Teagan Capstick Caleb Fears Abby Obermeyer Greta Plyler Caleb Silipo Nick Sullivan

Choir

All-District Choir

Lillian Sikes Maseo Mercer Mason Campbell

Golf

All-Conference

Kaleb Weiler

All-District

Kaleb Weiler

Baseball

All-Conference

Sam Stokes - 1st Team Infield Jack Hueter - 2nd Team Infield Colton Richardson - HM Infield Max Schnitzler - HM Utility

All-District

Jack Hueter Colton Richardson Sam Stokes

Academic All-State

Jack Hueter Cole Robinson Kole Williams

Track

All-Conference

Kyla Allen - High Jump - CHAMPION Maddie Edmond - Pole Vault Konner Armstrong - Discus -**CHAMPION** Konner Armstrong - Shot Put -CHAMPION

4x100 Relay - Girls

Lia Ott, Maggie Wrigley, Reagan

2021-2022 Post Season Honors Continued

Kennedy, Lacy Clatto - CHAMPIONS 4x200 Relay - Girls

Lia Ott, Maggie Wrigley, Reagan Kennedy, Lacy Clatto

4x100 Relay - Boys

Brandon Burford, Chase Politte, Sean Usery, Jeremiah Chipps

4x400 Relay - Boys

Alex Breeze, Jeremiah Chipps, Sean Usery, Chase Politte

All-District - Sectional Qualifier

Kyla Allen - High Jump - CHAMPION

Kyla Allen - Long Jump - CHAMPION

Maggie Wrigley - 200

Kyla Allen - 300 Hurdles

Allison Campbell - Javelin

Kyla Allen - 100 Hurdles

Maggie Wrigley - High Jump

Megan Wood - Shot Put

Maddie Edmond - Pole Vault

Lacy Clatto - Pole Vault

Reagan Kennedy - Triple Jump

Reagan Kennedy - Long Jump

Konner Armstrong - Shot Put - CHAMPION

Sean Usery - 200

Jess Blankenship - 400

Jackson Combs - 110 Hurdles

Chase Politte - Javelin

4x100 Relay - Girls

Lia Ott, Maggie Wrigley, Reagan Kennedy, Lacy Clatto

4x200 Relay - Girls

Lia Ott, Maggie Wrigley, Reagan Kennedy, Lacy Clatto

4x100 Relay - Boys

Chase Politte, Brandon Burford, Jeremiah Chipps, Sean Usery

4x200 Relay - Boys

Chase Politte, Brandon Burford, Jeremiah Chipps, Sean Usery

4x400 Relay - Boys

Chase Politte, Sean Usery, Jeremiah Chipps, Alex Breeze

State Medalists

4x400 Relay - Boys - 4th Place

Chase Politte, Sean Usery, Jeremiah Chipps, Alex Breeze

Academic All-State

TBD - July, 2022

Spring Sports Season Recaps



High School Track

The boys track team continued their growth coming off a promising 2021 track season. They literally re-wrote about half the record book setting new school records in the 100, 4X100, 4X200, 4X400, Shot Put, Discus and Javelin. Their hard work and dedication both on and off the track have led them too several stellar performances this season. Led by seniors Jeremiah Chipps and Chase Politte the team took several big strides in the right direction this season. Some of top performers this year include the following: Jeremiah Chipps, Chase Politte, Sean Usery, Konner Armstrong, Alex Breeze, Jess Blankenship and Brandon Burford. Heading into the Class 3 State Track Meet the boys track team had qualified in Javelin, Shot Put, 4X100 relay and 4X400 relay. Chase Politte, Alex Breeze, Sean Usery and Jeremiah Chipps put an exclamation point on their season by ending the boys track season with a new school record time in the State Final 4X400 relay race and earning a 4th place state finish. Although the boys will be losing two very impactful pieces to graduation in Jeremiah Chipps and Chase Politte, they have a ton too look forward to next season and continue this upward swing in performances. As coaches we cannot put into words how proud of all of our boys we were this season and on what they were able to accomplish!

Although our girls track team was overall considered very young that did not stop them from being very competitive. The girls track team ended the season by qualifying for the state track meet in Javelin, Shot Put, High Jump, Triple Jump, 200, 4X100 and 4X200. All of this was lead by our seniors Kyla Allen, Reagan Kennedy and Maddie Edmond who not only played very important leadership roles this season but we're excellent performers in their own right They were very impactful mentors to the youth on the girls team in all the right ways. Along with those mentioned above Lia Ott, Lacy Clatto, Maggie Wrigley, Megan Wood and Allison Campbell were also significant contributors to the team. Each of whom earned a trip to the Class 3 State Track Meet. Although we will miss our seniors leaving us this year the girls track team has a ton of potential and is left in very capable and good hands with those still on the team next season. Not to mention, the future girls upcoming in the program. If these girls stay the course and continue their hard work their future is extremely bright!









Spring Sports Season Recaps





Baseball

The Blue Jay Baseball Team went 9-15 this year behind the Seniors Colton Richardson, Jack Hueter, and Sam Hawley. The Blue Jays were a young squad this year with only 6 upperclassmen and 16 underclassmen. Nevertheless they fought their way through the season showing improvement in every game. Head Coach Robert Kuehnle said "I know the record was not where we wanted it but we showed a lot of improvement and I think that our seniors have set us up for a very bright future"

The Blue Jays entered districts the three seed and knocked off conference opponent Grandview with an impressive 13-3 win, the Blue Jays then fell to their cross town rival St. Pius in the district semifinal. Coach Kuehnle said "It was a tough loss but they brought it and we didnt have it that day. I think that in the coming years the outcome will be different but that night it was not." The Blue Jays have already geared up for next year adding more games to the schedule in

The Blue Jay Baseball Team says farewell to Jack Hueter who is attending Mizzou in the Fall, Colton Richardson who is attending Missouri Baptist, and Sam Hawley who is enlisting in the Air Force. "They made many contributions to our program and will be sorely missed' Said Coach Kuehnle when asked to comment on his seniors.



Golf

The second full season of the Jefferson Golf program was another successful year. We had lots of interest as there were 17 members on this years golf team and every single golfer showed significant improvement throughout the season. Though we experienced cold and wet weather for the majority of the season the golfers showed up every day, never complained, and had a fun season. We finished the season with our best team score yet at the District Tournament, and sophomore Kaleb Weiler was a District Medalist and qualified for the State Golf Tournament for the second straight season.

Thank you to the seniors for a great couple years and we wish you luck moving forward!







Middle School Track

This year's middle school track team was the largest on record with almost 80 athletes. Our athletes tried new things, worked hard, and consistently achieved personal records from meet-to-meet. The highlight of the season was both the girls and boys teams placing third overall at the Perryville County Middle School meet. What impressed us most, however, was the character displayed by our athletes as they supported each other and cheered each other on throughout the season. We are proud of these athletes and are looking forward to next season!











The Jefferson R-7 School District would like to announce that Gabby Beffa has signed a Letter of Intent to compete in Golf at Culver – Stockton College in Canton, Missouri.

Letters of Intent

The Jefferson R-7 School District would like to announce that Chase Politte has signed a Letter of Intent to compete in Football & Track & Field at the United States Coast Guard Academy in New London, Connecticut.





Pictured from left to right 1st row: Paige Beffa (Sister), Ryan Beffa (Father), Gabby Beffa, Alisyn Beffa (Mother), Emma Baker (Culver-Stockton Head Golf Coach). Pictured from left to right 2nd row: Sean Breeze (Jefferson Head Golf Coach), Alex Rouggly (Jefferson Activities Director)

Gabby's activities include; 4 years in STUCO, 2 years in Character Summit, 3 years in NHS, 1 year in Leadership, 3 years in Mock Trial, 3 years in golf, 4 years in basketball, 2 years in cheer, and is currently serving as the Senior Class President.



Pictured from left to right 1st row: Brea Ellsworth (Mother), Chase Politte, Johnny Ellsworth (Father). Pictured from left to right 2nd row: Justin Horn (Head Track Coach), Alex Rouggly (Activities Director/Former Head Football Coach) – Not Pictured: Vince Bingham (Jets Track Coach)

Chase's activities include; 4 years on the football team, 4 years on the basketball team, 4 years on the Track Team, 1 year on the baseball team, 4 years in STUCO, 4 years as a class officer, 3 years in NHS, 3 years on the Mance team, 3 years in Robotics, and 2 years in Character Summit.



Pictured from left to right 1st row: Annabelle Richardson (Sister), Renee Richardson (Mother), Colton Richardson, Pete Richardson (Father), Avery Richardson (Sister). Pictured from left to right 2nd row: Robert Kuehnle (Head Baseball Coach), Matt Smith (Asst. Football Coach), Justin Horn (Asst. Football Coach), Alex Rouggly (Activities Director), Matt Atley (Head Football Coach), Sean Breeze (Head Basketball Coach)

Colton's activities include; 4 years on the football team, 4 years on the basketball team, 3 years on the baseball team, 2 years on the track team, 4 years on the Mance team, 3 years in STUCO.

Daddy/Daughter Dance

















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Registration for 2022-2023 Available Online Registration for the upcoming

Registration Information

As this school year draws to a close, the Administrative Team is already preparing for next school year. We want to communicate in advance a change in our annual registration process that will be in effect for the 2022-2023 school year. Please use the QR code for the link to the documents to review these changes and for information on how to register.

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Intermediate School



2022-2023 ONLINE REGISTRATION

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May 24-June 15 June 1-30

June 13 June 24 June 29

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