SEPTEMBER 2022

M. AGNES JONES SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

We are powered by STEAM and led by our scholars!

Mr. Robert Williams
Principal

Dr. Shelante' Patton
Assistant Principal

Ms. Lindsey Rutledge
Assistant Principal

1040 Fair Street SW
Atlanta , GA 30314

404.802.3901

M. Agnes Jones Elementary | 22-23 Dates

September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		-	-	1 - Parent Gifted Testing Referral Window Opens - Progress reports (available via Parent Portal)	2 -	3 -
4-	5 - NO SCHOOL (Labor Day)	6 -	7 -	8 -	9 -	10
11	12 - GO TEAM Meeting at 4pm via Facebook Live (@APSMAJElem)	13 - Parent Night/PTA Night @6pm (in-person)	14 -	15 -	16 -	17
18	19 -	20 -	21 - Picture Day	22 -	23 - Washington Cluster Night/Spirit Night (BTW Football Game) - 1st Grade field trip w/ Chelsey McNeil @9AM	24
25	26	27	28	29	30 - Parent Gifted Testing Referral Window Closes	

Come Join Us!

FOR PTA AND PARENT NIGHT!

When: Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Where: MAJ Auditorium

Time: 6:00pm

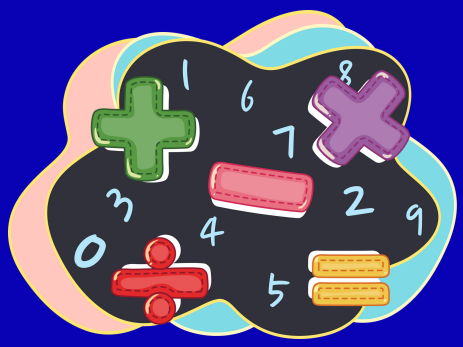
The Parent Gifted Testing Referral window is now open!

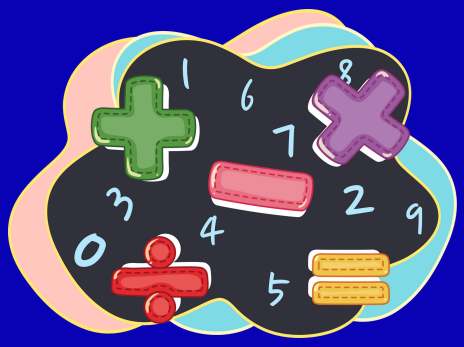
Click Here to Refer Your Scholar

gifted & talented

Pack 1040 Cub Scouts is recruiting for the 2022-2023 school year.

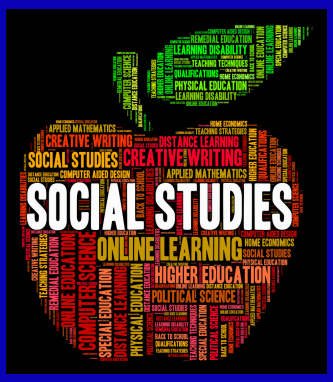
Who: Boys & Girls-Kindergarten-5th Grade
When: Tuesday, September 13, 2022
5PM-6PM
Where: M. Agnes Jones Elementary
(Gym Foyer)
1040 Fair Street Atlanta, GA 30314





Greeting parents, I am Mrs. Tyson-Johnson (Mrs. TJ) the Math and Science Instructional Coach. My role at Jones is to provide teachers with instructional support in areas of Math and Science. I am also instrumental in supporting our S.T.E.A.M integration focus as a school. In addition to teachers and scholars, I am here for you! Do you need help understanding how we do things mathematically and scientifically to ensure you feel confident in supporting your child's learning continuum. I look forward to working with you, our scholars, and teachers as we push F.U.L.L STEAM ahead and strive for Greatness!

At M. A. Jones, we use Eureka Math for our daily math instruction. We chose this program because it helps teachers provide instruction on a level that gives scholars a deep conceptual understanding of math and how numbers work. It pushes our students to think critically and look for more than one way to solve a problem. If you are wanting to help at home here is a link to online resources and videos that will help you navigate how math is taught (https://embarc.online/). Just select your child's grade and the module they are currently studying. There you will find an outline of the learning goals, videos, and samples of homework support to assist you.



Greetings MAJ Family,

A new school year has launched and at M. Agnes Jones we are moving FULL (Focused and United to Launch Learning) STEAM AHEAD! My name is Ms. Glenneisha Jones, I am the English Language Arts & Social Studies Instructional Coach at M. Agnes Jones. My role is to give recommendations about potential next steps to address areas of need and support teachers in planning and instruction to guide your scholars in becoming distinguished readers and writers.

This school year grades K-2 will continue using the Success for All (SFA) Reading Program, a comprehensive program designed to help scholars read, learn, and succeed using a cooperative learning approach. Grades K-3 will also be using a program called Fundations. Fundations provides a systematic and explicit approach to reading and spelling with phonics.

This year in grades 3-5, we will be using a reading curriculum called ReadyGen, which provides an integrated and well-balanced approach to reading and writing instruction.This curriculum includes authentic literary and informational texts with modeling and teacher-directed activities to drive learning and motivate readers. Scholars write in response to sources such as writing prompts and/or passages, cite evidence and are developing CLOSE reading habits. They write in different modes or genres, including narrative, informative, and opinion writing. Scholars can access learning resources via MyBackpack https://launchpad.classlink.com/atlanta and click on the Savvas Easybridge icon.

What have your scholars been learning?

In Grade 3, scholars have been developing their understanding of the actions and motivations of characters in stories and how characters' actions affect the sequence of events in a story. The goal by the end of this module is for learners to understand that close observations helps them identify problems and find solutions. In writing, scholars are developing their skills in composing a narrative that includes developed characters, a clear sequence of events, and a conclusion using the correct conventions (capitalization and punctuation).

In Grade 4, scholars are developing their understanding that themes in a literary text can be interpreted from dialogue and descriptions and how dialogue and description reveal character traits and story themes. The goal by the end of this module is for learners to understand that cultures interact with and interpret nature in different ways. In writing, scholars are developing their skills to compose a narrative in which they use dialogue and description to enhance characters and develop a theme using the correct conventions (capitalization and punctuation).

In Grade 5, scholars are developing their understanding that themes in literary texts are developed through the characters, settings, and events and how to use various narrative techniques to develop stories. The goal by the end of this module is for learners to understand that people change in reaction to their surroundings. In writing, scholars are developing their skills to compose a narrative in which they use dialogue and details to develop challenging character experiences using the correct conventions (capitalization and punctuation).

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Office of Family Engagement
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APS Family Professional Learning Series

Wednesdays 6:00PM - 7:00PM

*Last Session: May 17th 8:00 PM- 9:00 PM

September 21st

"CREATING A CIRCLE OF CARE" GRANDPARENTS SESSION

Dr. Danielle Stewart,
Lillie's Foundation for Change

October 19th

"SUPPORT & RESOURCES FOR FRIENDS & FAMILY OF LGBTQ YOUTH"

Gina Devoe, APS

November 16th

"SHOW ME THE MONEY! FUNDING EDUCATION THROUGH SCHOLARSHIPS & AID"

Dr. Anna Jones, Boys and Girls Club

December 14th

"THE POSSIBILITIES ARE UNLIMITED: SPECIAL NEEDS SUPPORT"

Edith Abakare, APS

January 18th

"THE PAC MAN SERIES: EMPOWERING FATHERS TO BE THEIR VERY BEST"

Dr. Tim Jones & Shannon Williams

February 15th

"ATLANTA HEALTHY START TEEN PARENTING PROGRAM"

Watrina Wilson,
Center for Black Womens Wellness

March 15th

"FAMILY GAME NIGHT: INCREASING CRITICAL & CREATIVE THINKING"

Mona Haygood, APS

April 19th

"THE BUSINESS OF SINGLE PARENTING & ENTREPRENEURSHIP"

Stephanie Harris,
Single Parent Coalition

*May 17th | 8-9 PM

CLICK HERE to register!

"LEARNING TOGETHER, APRENDIENDO JUNTOS"

Katya Orozco, APS

Click REGISTER to sign up for each session!

Zoom ID: 897 8808 6095 Password: pc673u

For additional information, contact Emily Holland at Eholland@atlanta.k12.ga.us or 404-802-3654

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- Fire Fighter EMTs
- Fire Fighter Paramedics

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 13

10:00AM - 2:00PM

AT

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(Cafeteria)
Atlanta, GA 30315

NAVIGATE WSA

Learn all about WorkSource Atlanta's programs and services, eligibility requirements, job search resources and training opportunities

RESOURCES

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USE THIS LINK TO REGISTER

https://pscafterschool.ce.eleyo.com/

Follow these 3 steps:

1. Use the link above
2. Click on your school's mascot to register for your favorite ASP
3. If you are NEW to ELEYO, create an account to complete registration

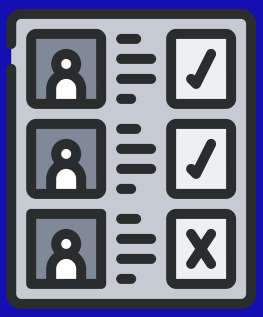
Visit our website:
pscafterschool.com for more information about our programs

STEAM
Lab News

Are you interested in Volunteering in the MAJ Garden? We have lots of Beautification projects for grownups who would like to support our scholars by providing safe spaces for outdoor learning.

<u>Sign Up Here!</u>

Contact Lisa Colbert at lisa.colbert@apsk12.org for more information



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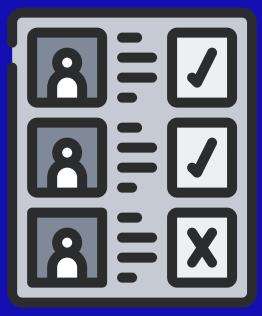

Students who attend school regularly have been shown to achieve at higher levels than students who do not have regular attendance. This relationship between attendance and achievement may appear early in a child's school career.

<u>If your child is not at school, they are not learning.</u>

Regular attendance is a vital part to your student's academic success! Students should be in class by 7:45am each day to avoid being marked absent or tardy.

M. Agnes Jones Elementary School

(404) 802-3900 MAJ Main office.

Student Report & Dismissal Time
7:45am – 2:45pm

All students enter through the rear of the building.

DAILY

Bus Loading Zone 7:20am-8:00am

Front entrance after 8:00am (Tardy)

New enrolling students and parents in need of assistance, may enter the main office entrance.

No Early Dismissals after 2:00pm - DAILY

MAJ Registration Information

APS Online - Daily - www.atlantapublicschools.us –

Stroll down to the registration and enrollment tab.

MAJ Registration (In person) – Main Office

Times: 8:00am – 11:45am 12:15pm – 1:30pm

Fax: (404) 802-9487 – (If you have documents faxed, please call the school to inform the main office.)

To complete registration all documents are required (online and in person).

Proof of Residence (Lease or Mortgage Statement), GA Power Bill only;

Kindergartener's must be 5 years old by September 1, 2022, and all original documents are required; upcoming 1st – 5th non-APS students'will need a withdrawal from last school; birth certificate, social security card, Ear, Eye and Dental #3300 Form (Dental must be complete); up to date shot record #3231 Form (if from another state of country, health forms #3300 and #3231 **must** be on GA Certificate. Contact your local health department.

Health Department Suggestion (in this area) – Southside Medical Center (404) 688-1350.

WHAT'S COOKING IN THE MAJ CAFE'?

CLICK HERE FOR WEEKLY LUNCH AND BREAKFAST MENUS

Lunch Schedule 2022-2023

Pre-k and Kindergarten - 10:00-10:30

1st Grade - 10:30-11:00

2nd Grade - 11:00-11:30

3rd Grade - 11:30-12:00

4th Grade - 12:00-12:30

5th Grade- 12:30-1:00

COVID-19 Surveillance Testing

Atlanta Public Schools (APS) is continuing its effort to keep everyone in our schools and buildings safe by making COVID-19 Surveillance Testing available to all students and staff. COVID-19 Surveillance Testing is a non-diagnostic test that detects the presence of COVID-19 even in individuals who may be asymptomatic. The benefits of surveillance testing include allowing APS to test, receive test results (within 24 hours) and notify individuals of a clinically significant reading before coming to school or work. While participation in surveillance testing is not required for students, it will be strongly encouraged. The success of this mitigation strategy, and the District's ability to return and keep students in school, is based on high levels of staff and student participation. APS is exploring all options as it relates to the administration of surveillance testing for staff and will be providing staff training, information sessions, and other staff engagement opportunities as part of this process. Learn more by reviewing our frequently asked questions.

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7 Days a Week | 9:00 am - 11:00 pm

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How do I access TutorATL? Just sign into your myBackpack on your computer, laptop, tablet or phone and click on the TutorATL logo.

What can I get help with? You can receive help in 40+ subjects including:

- **MATH**: Elementary ▪ Algebra I and II ▪ Geometry ▪ Trigonometry ▪ Calculus ▪ Statistics
- **SCIENCE**: Earth Science ▪ Biology ▪ Chemistry ▪ Physics
- **ENGLISH**: Vocabulary ▪ Grammar ▪ Writing Center
- **SOCIAL SCIENCES**
- **WORLD LANGUAGES** | Spanish ▪ French ▪ German

AND

PROOFREADING | TEST PREP | ADVANCED PLACEMENT (AP)

myBackpack.apsk12.org

APS Student Calendar 2022-2023 *(approved by the ABOE, 2/7/2022)*

25-29 Teacher Preplanning Days

JULY 22						
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24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

JANUARY 23						
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22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

2 Teacher Professional Learning Day

3 Begin Semester 2

16 M.L. King, Jr. Birthday

Instructional days: 20

1 First Day of School

Instructional days: 23

AUGUST 22						
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20 Presidents' Day*/Teacher Professional Learning Day

21-24 Winter Break (students and teachers)

Instructional days: 15

5 Labor Day

Instructional days: 21

SEPTEMBER 22						
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20 Teacher Professional Learning Day*

Instructional days: 22

10 Indigenous Peoples' Day/Teacher Professional Learning Day

11-14 Fall Break (students and teachers)

Instructional days: 16

OCTOBER 22						
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3-7 Metro Area Spring Break

Instructional days: 15

8 Teacher Professional Learning Day/Election Day

21-25 Thanksgiving Break

Instructional days: 16

NOVEMBER 22						
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26 Last day of school

29 Memorial Day

30 Teacher Postplanning Day

Instructional days: 20

Semester 2: 92

16 Semester Break

Instructional days: 12

Semester 1: 88

DECEMBER 22						
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School Year: 180 instructional days

*Note: Depending on the number of instructional days lost to inclement weather, instructional time may be made up by any combination of make-up days, virtual learning days or extension of the school day.

First/Last day
Teacher professional learning day (Students do not report)
Holiday

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TEXT "@first1040" to 81010
TEXT "@second1040" to 81010
TEXT "@third1040" to 81010
TEXT "@fourth1040" to 81010
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CONTACT US:

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Atlanta, GA 30314

JOIN MAJ PTA!!

Hello MAJ family!

It is time for another exciting Back to School, Back to PTA year to start and an important part of M. Agnes Jones Elementary School is our PTA.

MAJ PTA supports critical academic needs, is an active voice on decisions that impact your child's health, safety, and quality of education, and builds a stronger, more inclusive school community.

We invite you to "PTA For Your Child" by joining our PTA because increasing our membership, even by one, makes it possible to bring fun, educational, and community-building programs and events to our families.

There is no wrong or right way to be involved. We invite you to support our PTA by becoming a member because we can do more together than apart. It will take you less than 5 minutes. You can join by going to https://maj.memberhub.com/store

Sincerely,
Maliha Haider-Bardill, PTA President

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