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GMAS & MINDFULNESS

Georgia Milestones Assessment System (GMAS) testing will begin this week. Seventh and eighth graders will test on Tuesday, April 27th, and on Thursday, April 29th. Remember, only those who have already signed up will be allowed to test. After testing, students will have the opportunity to participate in social emotional learning (SEL) sessions to help lessen test anxiety. Please ensure your scholar gets a full night's rest. The tests will be administered on Tuesdays and Thursdays, April 27th-May 13th. Please call the school if you have questions. Encourage your students to do their best on their tests!

#RENEWED, MASKED UP, & READY TO LEARN

Remember--students are required to wear a mask at all times (except while eating/drinking). This is an APS mandate, and we will enforce it to ensure everyone's safety. We are enjoying having our Royal Lions back on campus! We have missed them. Let's continue to be #ReNEWed, Masked Up, and Ready to Learn with P.R.I.D.E.--
Perseverance, Respect, Integrity, Discipline, Excellence



FOOD DISTRIBUTION

JLIA has been hosting food distributions twice a month since February 19th. Our next one will be this Tuesday, April 27th at 4:30 p.m., in our bus lane. Please come out and participate in this contactless event. Cars begin lining up at 4:30 p.m.; each family will receive at least 100 pounds of food. If you want to pick up for other families, please be prepared to give their information as well. To date, we have served over 30K pounds of food to over 400 families. Please come participate and invite your neighbors and friends. Our last distribution will be May 25th.



TOWNHALL: PARENT INPUT NEEDED

There will be a virtual townhall meeting on Wednesday, May 5th. The link will be on our school's website soon. We are asking all parents to attend this meeting, because we want your input! We want to know what programs you want to see in the school; what resources you and your family need, and we want you to know how you can engage with us, so that you can support your children's growth and development in and out of school. Mark your calendars!

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FAMILY TIES, INC. SUPPORTS JLIA LITERACY

Family Ties, Inc., is a long-standing agency that provides superior mental health services to families and individuals of all ages. Founded by Mr. Hugo Mullins, LCSW and his wife, Mrs. Lisa Mullins, a retired educator, this organization is committed to removing the stigma of seeking mental health services. In addition, they donated 300 individual Amazon Fire Tablets to our students. These tablets will be used to support one of our strategic initiatives--literacy. By giving our students updated technology to explore and engage with literature, we can foster a life-long love of reading. #ReadersAreLeaders

WE APPRECIATE YOU!

Everyone knows that the principal, Mr. Garner, is the head of the school--but everyone also knows that he cannot do it alone. Last week, we celebrated our dedicated assistant principals: AP Davis (SPED, Electives, & Wrap Around Support); AP Fuller (8th grade); AP Green (6th grade); AP LaMont (Curriculum & Instruction, & Testing Coord.), and AP Venzen (7th grade). These APs are the epitome of, *Teamwork makes the dreamwork!*

We also celebrated our amazing administrative assistants: Ms. Jacobs; Ms. Kirkpatrick; Ms. Darden, and Ms. Houston (not pictured. Thank you for all that you do to support us!

ICYMI

In Case You Missed It (ICYMI), JLIA has partnered with Ms. Carol Bowman of Learning In Color to bring an important aspect of Mr. Garner's vision to fruition. #StayTuned

The Cares Bus visited our school to provide education and services to our students diagnosed with asthma. These visits are paramount as we focus on the whole child's well-being--mentally, physically, and emotionally.

Thanks to Ms. Crooks of CIS for awarding our cafeteria manager, Ms. Norwood a \$100 gift card.