



METRO  
NASHVILLE  
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SCHOOLS

*Jones Paideia Magnet  
School*

1800 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue North  
Nashville, TN 37208  
615-291-6382

January 5, 2017

Happy New Year Jones Paideia Families!

I hope you had a wonderful holiday break and were able to spend quality time with family and friends. Can you believe we are in the second semester of the school year? The teachers and I ask for your continued support during the remaining nineteen weeks of school.

Our goal is to assure that your child is making growth in all subjects and is academically successful. We are working toward all students reading at or above grade level when school ends on May 25. Please assist us by reading, practicing sight words, and reviewing math facts nightly. During this semester, you will be able to view your child's grades on MNPS Family Portal by logging onto [FAMILYPORTAL.ORG](http://FAMILYPORTAL.ORG). Create an account to keep abreast of your child's progress.

The doors open for breakfast at 7:30 and school begins at 8:00. When dropping students off in the morning, be attentive to your child, other children getting out of their car, and adults assisting during arrival. **Please make sure your child/children arrive to school on time.** Teachers begin instruction as soon as announcements are over. Students who are tardy get upset because they have missed Morning Meeting or other fun learning activities.

A few reminders:

- Children should not be dropped off before 7:30. We are not responsible if something should happen. **Please park in a parking space if you are waiting for the doors to open so traffic will continue to flow.**
- When your child is absent, send a note within three days indicating the reason for the absence.
- Please come into the building to sign-in your child when he/she is late.
- Excessive tardiness, early dismissals, and more than five unexcused absences could possibly lead to your child being revoked from Jones Paideia for the 2017-2018 school year.
- If you would like to meet with your child's teacher, make an appointment to meet with the teacher during his/her planning time or an agreed upon time. Teachers are not available to conference as students are entering the classroom.



We are looking forward to great accomplishments during this second semester.

Your support is appreciated! -*Dr. Debra M. Smith*

Dates to Remember:

- January 10 – Report Cards issued
- January 13 – Last day for Optional School Application
- January 13 – School-wide Celebration (\$25- Honey Money)
- January 16 – MLK Day – No School
- January 23 – Leadership Team Meeting (3:35 – 5:00)
- January 24 – Cookie Dough Fundraiser Kickoff
- January 24 – February 13 – Fundraiser
- February 3 – Honey Money Store (Volunteers needed)
- February 8 – Progress Reports issued
- February 13 – Fundraiser forms and money due
- February 13 – Leadership Team Meeting (3:35 – 5:00)
- February 20 – No school – Professional Day for Teachers
- March 15 – School-wide Celebration (To be announced)
- March 16 – 17 –Potential snow make-up days if more than 5 days are needed
- March 20 – 24 – Spring Break
- March 27 – Teacher Planning Day (Students do not report)
- April 3 – Report Cards issued
- April 13 – Honey Money Store
- April 14 – Spring Holiday
- April 26 – Progress Reports issued
- May 12 – Field Day
- May 18 – Kindergarten Promotion Celebration – 8:45am
- May 18 – 1<sup>st</sup> Grade Awards Day – 10:00 am
- May 19 – School-wide celebration
- May 22 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Awards Day
- May 23 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade Awards Day
- May 24- 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Celebration



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- May 25 – Half day for all grades; last day of school

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