

Thomas Jefferson Middle School
Arlington, Virginia
Monday, September 27, 2021

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today is an A Day.

From Mr. Siegel:

All students are welcome to stay after school for drop-in sports in the gym. Mondays will be basketball day with 1v1 - 5v5 games being played (depending on how many students show up). Indoor soccer will be on Tuesdays. Thursdays will be open gym with pickup soccer and open basketball courts. Fridays will be outdoor flag or two hand touch football. No registration is required to participate on any of these days. Students who stay for drop-in sports/open gym will be allowed to take the late buses home. As a reminder, because we will be indoors it is required that we wear masks at all times. Be sure to be in the gym by 2:40 if you want to participate.

From Mrs. Detweiler

The PTA is hosting the reflections art contest. If you are interested in submitting an entry, the theme is "I can change the world by..." You may enter in any of the following categories.

- visual arts
- dance/choreography
- film production
- literature
- music composition
- photography

Entry forms are available outside Mrs. Detweiler's office, room 221. All entries are due to Mrs. Detweiler by October 15th.

From Mr. J Anderson:

Good Morning Yellow Jackets. Picture Day is coming this Friday, October 1st. Look out for more information about picture day and how to order your photos during TA.

From Ms. Mann:

Do you enjoy reading manga? Are you really into anime? Would you like a space to share and enjoy these interests with your fellow Yellowjackets? If so, join the Anime Club! We will meet on Thursdays in Ms. Mann's room, 273, from 2:30 to 3:30.

From Ms. Leonberger:

GSA is back! The Thomas Jefferson Middle School Gay-Straight Alliance will meet Thursdays in room 206 (Ms. Calhoun's room) after-school from 2:30 to 3:30. ALL students, including LGBTQ+ students, straight allies, and students who aren't sure of their identity, are welcome and encouraged to attend.

From Mr. Malinosky and Mr. Siegel

There will be an SCA information meeting today in the auditorium right after morning announcements. Be sure to come if you want to be a part of this years SCA.

From Ms. Jordan:

Students,

Need a place to catch up on homework after school? Need a quiet place to study or read a book?

Then come to after-school Study Hall in the Library. We have Study Hall every Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 2:30-3:30PM. Students coming to study hall can take the late bus home.

From Ms. Dunbar:

Good Morning Gardeners!

Garden Club meets Fridays after school!

From Ms. E Shepardson:

Art Club starts today. Come to the art room (#61) from 2:30 to 3:30. This is a drop-in program where you can draw or paint with your friends. It is not a class; you don't have to sign up or attend every session. It's an opportunity to make art after school. See you Monday!

From Ms. Black:

Students if you submitted a registration for an ACT II class, it should now show on your schedule as a period 9 or 10. Please reach out to Ms. Black in the counseling area if you have any questions about your ACT II registration. Please still attend ACT II classes even if you are not sure if you are registered yet.

Please note that both the ACT II class Robotic competitions and Tech Innovations are now full. Any new registrations will be put on the waitlist!

From Mr. Clark:

Jefferson's Model United Nations Club meets tomorrow after school in Room 80. Come learn about Model UN this year. We will debate world affairs and come up with solutions to international problems. Join us tomorrow.

Here's Mr. Clark:

Good morning TJ students! I'm Mr. Clark. I am the new sponsor for Jefferson's Model United Nations Club. We will begin next week after school on Tuesday September 28th in room 80, which is in front of the cafeteria by the gym doors. We will review basic information about the club and the expectations involved. If you are interested, or curious about international affairs and how to solve them, join us! We will be debating world affairs and how to come up with solutions to international problems. For those who are interested and have a conflict with their schedule, let me know because it is possible that we can work something out. Again, the Model United Nations Club will begin next Tuesday after school in Mr. Clark's room 80. Join us!

Did you know that chocolate, potatoes, and tomatoes are all foods that were first domesticated and consumed in Latin America, even though they are more commonly associated with European countries?

From Mr. Malinosky:

The #ClimateCrisis is upon us. From flooding in Arlington to fires in California, hurricanes in the gulf coast to droughts in the west global warming is here.

- Want to learn more?
- Want to take action locally?
- Want to push for change globally?

Join the Jefferson Environmental Club, on Thursdays after school with Mr. Malinosky in room 277B.