# Thomas Jefferson Middle School Arlington, Virginia Wednesday, October 6, 2021

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Today is an Anchor Day with B Day electives for 6th graders.

### From Mrs. Detweiler

This is a reminder that 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, in between Ms. Vernier's room and Ms. Leonberger's room. All entries are due to Mrs. Detweiler by October 15th. If you have a digital submission, see Mrs. Detweiler about how to best submit your work.

### From Ms. Wall:

Jefferson's TAB Club starts today during lunches. TAB Club is a book club where you'll get the chance to read some of the best new books for young adults. We talk about books and book-related topics and have fun. Bring your lunch and your iPad to the Theatre for our first meeting of the year. Ms. Wall and Ms. Rosegrant look forward to seeing you later today!

# From Mr. Siegel:

The Fitness Club meets today after school on the field out back. If you spent the past year and a half just sitting at home, if you need some help with fitness, or if you just want to start getting into shape, this is the right spot for you. The whole point is to make and achieve individual goals.

Phoenix Bikes after school club starts this Friday after school. This weekly club teaches you how to maintain bikes and introduces you to a lifetime of bike-riding. Spots are limited, so sign up soon. Follow the link on the Jefferson homepage to sign up.

### 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 meets 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 Ms. Dunbar:

Good morning, Gardeners!

Garden Club meets Fridays after school!

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 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 always wear masks. Be sure to be in the gym by 2:40 if you want to participate.

# From Ms. E Shepardson:

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