

JHIS Prowler

May/June 2021

Students Are The Primary Focus of the West Jefferson Hills School District...

Message From the Principals... BE SMART, BE SAFE, WEAR YOUR MASKS!

It is hard to believe that this edition of the JHIS Prowler will be the final one of the what has undoubtedly been the most interesting school year that most of us can remember. In a year filled with so many barriers to learning and unforeseen challenges, we couldn't have been more proud of what we have collectively accomplished. Throughout the year, our steadfast commitment has been to our students' safety, well-being, and academic achievement. It hasn't been easy, but as long as we keep our students as the primary focus, there is nothing that will keep us from achieving our goals. On behalf of the entire faculty and staff at JHIS, THANK YOU for your unwavering support throughout this school year!

The administration of the 2021 PSSA is quickly approaching, and our staff has been busy preparing our students for this assessment. Given the unique circumstances that are upon us this school year, it has been necessary to alter our assessment plan, especially for our remote learners. Please see the information below that was contained in the 2021 PSSA Letter to Parents.

ALL STUDENTS (Cyber; Full Time CANVAS; In-Person) are requested to attend in-person on the designated testing days to take the PSSA. If your child is currently a remote student, please be advised that he/she will take the tests with his/her classmates. Cyber students will be assigned to a classroom with their grade level peers. In the event that your son/daughter is unable to participate in this assessment during these times, due to COVID related reasons, please be advised that there will be make-up sessions occurring at a future date (most likely during the summer or upon return to school in the fall). Transportation (both to and from school) will be the responsibility of parents/guardians during testing for remote learners. Once the decision to test during this time has been made, it is expected that each student will complete ALL of the assessments according to the identified assessment timeline.

REMOTE LEARNERS ONLY - Please Complete the 2021 PSSA Remote Learner Survey By Sunday, May 2
<https://forms.gle/o4pfuwoxNUpJfYQUA>

Following the completion of the assessment, our REMOTE LEARNERS ONLY can be picked up in the parent pick up location at the times listed below. All students will be escorted to the pick-up area.

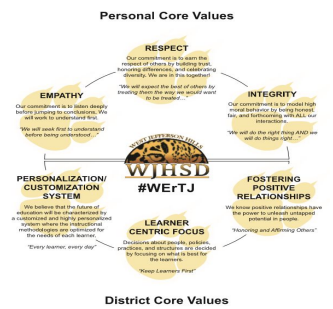
3rd Grade - 11:00 a.m. 4th Grade - 11:30 a.m. 5th Grade - 12:00 p.m.

PSSA Test	Testing Dates	Grade Levels
English Language Arts	May 11-13, 2021 (3 sections)	3,4,5
Mathematics	May 18-19 (2 sections)	3,4,5
Science	May 25-26 (2 sections)	4

5th Grade DARE Graduation Ceremony



Congratulations to all of our recent 5th grade DARE graduates! We would also like to recognize and congratulate our top three DARE essay winners (*Lee Jones, Tess Obiero, Lily Doyle*) who were able to share their essays during the graduation ceremony. A very special thank you to everyone, especially Officer Foulds, who collaborated to bring this invaluable program to our students and school. We are extremely proud of each and every one of you. Good luck in the DARE program at PHMS!



Upcoming Events

- 3: Teacher Appreciation Week
- 4: Title 1 Parent Meeting (6) JHIS PTA Meeting (7)
- 9: Mother's Day
- 18: Kennywood Ticket Sales (4-7 pm in JHIS Lobby)
- 28: Virtual Assembly
- 31: No School (Memorial Day)
- 2: 5th Grade Cookout
- 3: No School (In-Service)
- 4: No School (Kennywood)
- 8: LAST DAY OF SCHOOL

JHIS BINGO

JHIS would like to thank your dedicated PTA and BINGO Committee, in particular Crystal Ross, for making this fun-filled event possible for our families.

