

James Franklin Smith PTA



Jan 26th, 2018

Dear JFS Families,



Family BINGO Night is Tonight (Friday, January 26th 2018) Timing: 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Where: JFS School MPR Dinner from 6-7 pm. Theme - Superheroes. Game starts at 7pm sharp. *Join along with friends and family and win BIG prizes.*

UPCOMING



Jump Rope for Heart is kicking off its health education and FUNdraiser for the American Heart Association with a school wide assembly on **February 9, 2018** and a fun event day planned on **February 15, 2018**.

Students can get a head start online by registering with our team James Franklin Smith Elementary at <u>http://american.heart.org/jump-hoops/</u> or through the free app '**jump/hoops**'. Extra prizes are awarded for online/ app participation. Parent volunteers are needed the week of Feb 12-15. Please contact Sterling Larnerd at sslarnerd@gmail.com





Bilingual Pathway Awards

The parent meeting has been rescheduled to **Thursday, February 1st, 2018** from 6-7 PM at the District Instruction Office <u>3188 Quimby Road</u>.

<u>Youth Truth Survey</u> is a measurement tool we use to help us continue to improve our programs and services. It is anonymous. We really appreciate all who respond to this 15 minute survey that will be 'open' on-line beginning **01/29/18**. A link will be sent to all parents. Thank you in advance for taking a few minutes to make JFS a better school for your child.

LCAP On **Tuesday**, **01/30/18** all parents and community members are welcome to a meeting that will be held at JFS to listen and provide input to the Local Control Accountability Plan for Evergreen School District. The meeting will be in Rm#A5 from 3:15 to 4:15 PM.



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MULTICULTURAL NIGHT

To celebrate the wonderful diversity of our school, JFS PTA is planning to organize a Multicultural Night this year (dates yet to be finalized).

What is Multicultural Night?

It is fun, family event that allows JFS families to attend and learn about other cultures, while also having the opportunity to represent their own culture by sharing traditions, art, language, crafts, music, dance, clothing, and much, much more!

How can parents help?

This cultural, community event is not possible without your ideas and support. JFS PTA is looking for **parent volunteers to represent countries** at this year's event. To present a country, you will be able put together a table/ booth display that can be simple or elaborate. Displays include artifacts, maps, posters, books, music, dolls, clothing, jewelry, coins, flags, anything from your state or country. You will be incharge of your booth, ask another JFS parent to join hands and make this a team effort.

Remember, you do not have to be from that country to put together a display! As an extra learning project, you can very well pick a country you have traveled to or have lived in and are very passionate about its culture. We would love you to share more about it.

Ideas are endless. Come forward if you are interested in sharing about your culture and heritage with the rest. And also get a flavor of different cultures, in the most fun, enriching way. We will be formalizing a theme for this event soon.

Interested? Have questions? Want to know more? Please email **Sonali** at <u>bahetisonali@gmail.com</u> or **Deepa** at <u>deepabathala@gmail.com</u>. Let's make this happen *together*!

