



James Franklin Smith PTA

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Dear JFS Families,

Welcome back to another great School year. As in the past years, JFS PTA will be supporting many programs and events to make 2017-18, an enriching experience for all students. Your participation and volunteerism in PTA, school and classroom activities will provide great rewards for you and your kids alike. For more information, please visit www.jfspta.org or join our Facebook group - JFS Parents.

An important date to remember:

09/07 Back to School Night for parents at JFS at 6 PM MPR, 6:30 - 7:30 PM Classroom Visits.

In addition, we have some exciting programs starting in the near future!

08/31 Band Orientation: for 5th and 6th graders. This is a great opportunity to learn music theory and learn to play an instrument. Please ask your child about participation to their respective teacher and encourage her/him to join.

Math Olympiad (MO): is starting soon! Our very own JFS parent, Nanitha is chairing the Math Olympiad again this year. Last year, we had the privilege of running MO successfully with the support of our fantastic volunteers. We are looking forward for a repeat performance this year.

What is MO? MO is available for 4th-6th Graders. MO classes will start in October - March, every Wednesday after school from 2:15 PM - 3:45 PM. Starting November, there will be one test/ month for a total of 5 tests. We already have a Math Olympiad class approved with a maximum limit of 25 students. Also, if a parent volunteer is willing to teach, we may consider adding another class. Anyone interested to volunteer please reach out to Nanitha Yamani @ ynanitha@gmail.com by Friday, September 6th.

Starting Arts: They are back this year with **Peter Pan Jr!** Yay! Come fly away to Neverland with Peter in this adaptation of Disney's beloved animated film. All 2nd-6th Graders are eligible to participate.

Online registrations are open at

<http://www.startingarts.com/programs/schools-by-district/james-franklin-smith-elementary/>

This is an After School Theater program. Rehearsals on Mondays and Wednesdays 2:30 PM - 4 PM.

A detailed flyer with more information is coming home soon.

Have a wonderful long weekend! Stay safe and see you on Tuesday.