

DECEMBER 4, 2023

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She will bear a son, and
you shall call his name
Jesus, for he will save his
people from their sins.

MATTHEW 1:21

JCS Christmas Concert

December 15th 2023

Greater Johnstown Christian Fellowship – 3429 Elton Rd.

1pm (Band prelude at 12:40pm) &

7pm (Band Prelude at 6:40pm)

- Students in grades PK4-12 will sing and play songs that celebrate "Christ Has Come to Set Us Free!"
- Please invite friends and relatives
- Students in the MS and HS instrumental, choral, and handbell ensembles and 5th grade band are required to attend.
- All elementary students in Grades 1-5 are expected to attend both concerts.
- Kindergarten students will attend the **Evening Concert only.***
- PK4 students will attend the **Afternoon Concert only.*** (PK4 students will come to school in the morning on Friday, 12/15 and be transported to the church on a school bus with the rest of the elementary. Pick up will be at the church at 2:55pm.)
- In preparation for the concert,

there will be essential practices the days prior to the concert on 12/13, 12/14, 12/15. Please make every effort to have your child in school these days.

- Detailed information requiring a response from ALL parents will be emailed on Saturday, Dec. 2nd. Please keep an eye out for that email.

2024 Yearbook— Discount ends Dec 21

Don't forget to Pre-Order your 2024 Yearbook.

Order by December 21 and reserve your 2024 yearbook for a discounted price of \$30 (with additional books for \$25 each). After the New Year - the price will increase to \$35 per book. Our yearbook, the Mem-O-Re is a hardcover book that includes the FULL year, grades PK3 through 12th. We send the finalized book to print over the summer and books will be distributed next September.

Contact kmack@jcsfamily.org with any questions.

Calendar Change

Please note these two changes in our 23-24 school calendar.

December 8 - 12:00 Dismissal

February 15 - NO SCHOOL

Spirit Sale

If you ordered items from the spirit sale they will be sent home this Wednesday, December 6th! If you specified to not send them home with students because they are Christmas gifts they will be at the school office for pickup on Wednesday.

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Important Dates Coming Up:

Friday, December 8 - 12:00 Dismissal

Friday, December 15 - Christmas Concert 1:00 and 7:00

Saturday, December 16 - Highschool Christmas Banquet

Thursday, December 21 - 1:30 Dismissal

December 22-January 2 - NO SCHOOL Christmas Break



1 Final Week to Order Gift Cards

You only have a one week left to order physical gift cards through the scrip program:

Order on: **Come home:**

Dec 11 Dec 13 or Dec 14
Next order will be January 8, 2024
so be sure to stock up or use
"ecards" in the RaiseRight App.

Scrip in Inventory

Did you know we do keep the following scrip cards on hand in inventory? If you ever need any of these quickly, call the school office and we can send them home with a student that same day (and you can send in payment the next).

*Giant Eagle *Home Depot
*Hoss's *Lowe's *Panera *Papa
Johns *Pizza Hut *Sheetz
*Starbucks
*Subway *Walmart

— REMINDERS —

Weather Delays

Delays and Cancellations: If JCS cancels or delays, you will receive notification via our one call system. For home school district delays or cancellations, you will need to contact your district to receive notification or check the closings as listed on WJAC (website or TV). If your home district is operating under a cancellation or delay, you can follow this schedule. Transportation will operate in conjunction with your home district. Your child will not

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SCHOOL DELAY

be late or absent in this situation. However, you are always able to transport your child to school for our normal times of operation if your home school is closed/delayed and JCS is open

Volunteering/ Clearances

All parents are encouraged to submit their clearances. This allows you to volunteer in the classroom, attend field trips, etc. Directions to obtain your clearances can be found under the Parents tab (upper right corner) on the JCS website.

BUS Lane

Do NOT block the bus lane at dismissal time. Leave space to allow busses to leave when they are full and ready to go.



Absences/Excuses

Please send an excuse when your child misses school. Excuses can be sent in with your child on the day they return or you can email the office at office@jcsfamily.org. **After three days with no excuse the day/days will be marked unexcused.** Planned absence requests need to be submitted in advance to the Principal.

Dismissal Changes

All dismissal changes from your child's regular routine must be submitted in writing to office@jcsfamily.org. Please try to have dismissal changes to the office before 1:30 p.m.

Staying After School

ALL students who are staying after school must submit a written note to their teacher/coach (or emailed to the school office). The note should state the teacher/coach supervising your child. Teacher supervision **must be confirmed before** your student may stay. Student athletes do NOT need a written note—they just report directly to practice.



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