

Jackson Township Elementary

News from the Principal's Desk

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September

Character Qualities

- Respect for Teacher
- Self-Control
- Patience
- Courteousness
- Citizenship

Upcoming Events

September 17 - School Picture Day and Lions Club vision exams for K, 1, 3, and 5.

September 23— NO SCHOOL—Teacher In-service

September 24—Grade 5 VIP Day

October 4—JTE Jonah Fish Fry

October 10—Parent/Teacher Conferences

October 11—No School—Teacher In-service

October 14-18—Fall Break

School Safety at JTE

School safety at Jackson Township has been and will continue to be the most important part of what we do. It is my belief that if a student does not feel safe, then anything else we do will not be effective. We put safety above all else. Without going into great detail, I want to explain some key points of our safety protocol.

Our safety plan is extensive and very detailed. Our students and staff participate in drills regularly. Practicing helps all of us (students included) be at the top of our game if and when the need arises.

There are three certified Indiana School Safety Specialists in our building. We attend training every year to keep our certification, and we are responsible for reviewing and updating our safety plan each school year. The school SRO and I are certified ALICE instructors. ALICE is our protocol for critical incident response. ALICE is an acronym that means Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate. It is a non-linear approach to responding to an event. Our entire staff is trained in ALICE—so are our students! The skills learned are skills that can be used anywhere at any time.

If you have visited our school, you know about our visitor protocol. No one gets into our building without permission and will not be permitted past the office without a valid ID and a stated purpose.

I cannot share every detail of our safety plan, however, I hope that this brief article helps you better understand the importance of school safety at JTE. I also hope that it helps ease your mind when sending your children to be in our care each day. We place the welfare and safety of your children at the top of our list each and every day.

Attendance Matters

New Clay Community Schools attendance policy was approved by the school board is being sent home with students today. The attendance policy reflects requirements in Indiana School Attendance law (Senate Enrolled Act 282). I encourage you to read the policy thoroughly. We will begin using this policy Monday, September 16, 2024.

