



## *Jefferson's PTA Cheat Sheet 2018-2019*

### August

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**8/20/18 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**8/21/18 Unpack Your Backpack Night/ Ice Cream Social from 5:00-6:00pm**

Please bring your student(s) to meet their teacher, unpack their school supplies, and meet with old and new friends! This is a night to allow families to take a tour of the school, meet the Jefferson staff and other families within our school, and get the students settled in their classrooms.

Before you leave please stop in the gym for a fun photo opportunity, free ice cream, and sign up for PTA!

**8/23/18 First day of school!!**

**8/31/18 Grandparents & Special Friends Lunch @ 11:30am**

Your child may invite their Grandparents or special friends/relatives to come share lunch with them on this special day. A lunch may be purchased through the school or you may bring your own "picnic" lunch. A menu with sign up will be provided closer to the event.

### September

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**9/4/18 - 10/11/18 Fall Walk & Talk**

The Walk & Talk Program was started to encourage healthy exercise habits for our children and their families. The program is open every **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday from 7:55-8:25am** at Meier Park (except in inclement weather) during these dates above. Parents and other adult family or friends are encouraged to walk with their children. Individuals will earn toe tokens for every 4 miles walked (11 laps around Meier Park equals 4 miles) and will be able to trade tokens in for bigger prizes! Adult volunteers are needed to ensure the safety of the children. Please contact a PTA officer if you would like to volunteer for this. Look for a sign-up genius coming out soon!

**9/4/18 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**9/19/18 McTeacher Night: Restaurant Fundraiser at McDonalds from 4:30-7:30pm**

**9/17/18 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**9/20/18 Bettendorf HS Homecoming Parade @ 6:00pm**

Calling ALL students and their families! The Student Council body will create a float for everyone at Jefferson to walk with during the homecoming parade. Show your TJ spirit and wear TJ colors and walk with the float! Candy may be handed out, but families will need to provide their own. **Students must be accompanied by an adult.**

**9/25/18 1<sup>st</sup> PTA Meeting – Kick Off the 2018-2019 School Year: Social Time @6pm with official meeting starting at 6:30PM (In the TJ library)**

We will be discussing the upcoming events for the 2018-2019 school year including our new fundraisers along with what to do with the funds raised during this year's PTA events! New and specialty staff members have been invited to introduce themselves and answer any questions. Social hour starts at 6:00pm with snacks and coffee/drinks provided and a chance to chat with other members before the meeting officially starts at 6:30pm. Child care is provided for free in the gym or art room. Our babysitters are paid college students who are working on educational degrees at St. Ambrose and have had background checks done. Please join us to find out more about how you might be able to get more involved with PTA, everyone's help is needed!! We hope to see you there!

## **October**

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**10/1/18 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**10/3/18 Picture Day ☺**

Be sure to send your child with a smile and their picture envelope!

**10/3/18 Walk-A-Thon @ 1:30pm (Early Release Day @ 2:30)**

Our fall fundraiser keeps in the spirit of encouraging healthy exercise habits for our children and families and coincides with the Live Healthy Iowa movement. Instead of selling wrapping paper, cookie dough, or candy the students ask for donations to walk around the Meier Park track during a gorgeous fall day. Funds raised will be used to provide free admission to our Jefferson Fun Nights and to help supplement our student celebrations. Parent organizers will share more information closer to the event.

**10/13/18 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual TJ PTA Trivia Night for the Outreach Program @ 6:30pm**

We are excited for our 3<sup>rd</sup> PTA trivia night for the Outreach Program! Please mark your calendars and join us by gathering a group of family and friends together to play at a table for the night! This event will be held at the Knights of Columbus - 1111 W. 35<sup>th</sup> St. Davenport. Doors will open at 6:30pm and game starts at 7:00pm. Tables are teams of 8 players at \$10 a player. Mulligans and 50/50 raffle will also be available for purchase. Food may be brought in for your team, but all drinks have to be purchased there. 100% of funds raised will go to the Bettendorf School District's Outreach Program to help our students and their families in need. Donations for Outreach will also be accepted. Please plan to come play and support a great cause while having fun!

**10/15/18 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**10/18/18 Books and Breakfast 8:00-8:30am**

Bring a parent or special friend and get a chance to beat the rush. You may purchase books at this time while enjoying a PTA provided breakfast of muffins and fruit. **Book Fair will also be open from 8-8:30 on 10/19 but no breakfast will be served**

**10/19/18 PTA Fall Festival & Book Fair @ 6:30–8:00pm**

Families are encouraged to dress in non-scary costumes (great time for creative, home spun costumes) for a fun night of dancing, games, crafts, and activities plus an opportunity to purchase some new books for your child at the Scholastic Book Fair! Parent coordinators will send out a note prior to the event asking for treat donations and volunteers. Admission is free, but donations will be accepted at the door. Treats will be available for a small fee.

**Students must be accompanied by an adult.**

**10/22/18 – 10/26/18 Red Ribbon Week**

## **10/22/18 – 10/25/18      Fall Parent / Teacher Conferences**

This is an opportunity to sit down, one-on-one, with your child's teacher to visit about your child's progress in school, share information about your child, and ask any questions about the class that you may have. Each conference is about 15 minutes long. Your child's teacher will send out a letter prior to these dates for parents to confirm the time and date of their conference. PTA will also provide staff conference dinners on 10/22 and 10/23. Volunteer requests will be sent home asking for food donations to provide a delicious supper for our staff who will be working late these two nights to meet with their students and families.

## **10/26/18-10/29/18      Fall Break**

## **November**

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**11/5/18      Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**11/8/18      5<sup>th</sup> grade Band Concert 6-6:30pm**

**11/9/18      Veteran's Day Assembly**

**11/19/18      Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**11/21/18 – 11/23/18      NO SCHOOL – Thanksgiving Break**

**11/27/18      PTA Meeting @ 6:00pm (In the TJ library)**

Please join us in the library for our informational PTA meeting. We will have guest speakers and will be discussing upcoming PTA events. Social hour starts at 6:00pm with snacks and coffee/drinks provided and a chance to chat with other members before the meeting officially starts at 6:30pm. Child care is provided for free in the gym or art room. Our babysitters are paid college students who are working on educational degrees at St. Ambrose and have had background checks done. PTA is open to anyone who would like to join, we need your help and input to make this year successful!

## **December**

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**12/3/18      Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**12/17/18      Winter Sing 9:30am @ BHS**

TJ families and friends are welcome to enjoy a festive performance put on by our students! This winter tradition will be held in the Performing Arts Center at BHS. Bring your cameras!

**12/17/18      Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**12/21/18      Winter Parties @ 1:45pm Set-up (1 hour Early Release Day @ 2:20pm)**

A short classroom party to kick off winter break! A small treat along with an activity will be enjoyed and a small gift/goodie bag will be sent home with each child. Watch for information from Room Parents with needs for the party.

**12/24/18 – 1/2/19      NO SCHOOL – Winter Break**

## **January**

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**1/7/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**1/10/19 – 1/22/19 BCSF Major Saver (District Fundraiser)**

Major Saver Cards are back! Each card provides a discount to local businesses sharing a great deal! Prizes are awarded to the students for cards sold. A portion of each card sold will be given back to each school. The funds raised through this event will be used to support our “Awesome” celebrations. This is a district wide fundraiser.

**1/18/19 TJ Student Council Movie Night @ 6:00pm**

Student Council invites TJ families to bring blankets & pillows or lawn chairs to the TJ gym to enjoy a recently released family rated movie. Pizza and snacks will be available to purchase, all proceeds will benefit the TJ Student Council. *Students must be accompanied by an adult.*

**1/26/19 STEAM Science Expo 11:00am @ BMS**

Held at the Bettendorf Middle School, this event is a great way for our children to experience the wonders of science. The Bettendorf Community Schools Foundations invites you to a fun-filled day with hands-on science experiments and presenters. Watch for speaker information and volunteer requests for this event to be sent home.

**1/29/19 PTA Meeting @ 6:00pm (In the TJ library)**

Please join us in the library for our informational PTA meeting. We will have guest speakers and will be discussing upcoming events. Social hour starts at 6:00pm with snacks and coffee/drinks provided and a chance to chat with other members before the meeting officially starts at 6:30pm. Child care is provided for free in the gym or art room. Our babysitters are paid college students who are working on educational degrees at St. Ambrose and have had background checks done. PTA is open to anyone who would like to join, we need your help and input to make this year successful!

## **February**

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**2/4/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**2/14/19 Valentine’s Room Parties @ 2:45pm**

A quick classroom party where the children will enjoy a sweet treat and hand out valentine’s to each of their classmates. Watch for information from Room Parents with needs for this party.

**2/15/19 Variety Show 7:00pm @ BHS Performing Arts Center (Dress Rehearsal is on 2/13/19)**

All students are encouraged to share their special talents with friends, family, and staff at our annual Variety Show! This awesomely entertaining event is a Jefferson tradition showcasing our extremely talented students! Admission is free but donations will be accepted to support the district Outreach Program and TJ PTA. Goodies will be available during the intermission. Look for more information to come out. *Students must be accompanied by an adult.*

**2/18/19 NO SCHOOL – President’s Day**

**2/19/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

## **March**

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**3/4/19 – 3/8/19 Read Across America Week- Look for a flier to come home with more details**

**3/1/19 Kindergarten Round-up for 2019/2020 incoming Kindergarten students**

**3/4/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**3/11/19 - 3/15/19 NO SCHOOL - Spring Break**

**3/18/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**3/19/19 PTA Meeting @ 6:00pm (In the TJ library)**

Please join us in the library for our informational PTA meeting. Child care will be provided in the gym. We will have guest speakers and will be discussing upcoming events. Social hour starts at 6:00pm with snacks and coffee/drinks provided and a chance to chat with other members before the meeting officially starts at 6:30pm. Child care is provided for free in the gym or art room. Our babysitters are paid college students who are working on educational degrees at St. Ambrose and have had background checks done. PTA is open to anyone who would like to join, we need your help and input to make this year successful!

**3/21/19 Books and Breakfast 8:00-8:30am**

Bring a parent or special friend and get a chance to beat the rush. You may purchase books at this time while enjoying a PTA provided breakfast of muffins and fruit. **Book Fair will also be open from 8-8:30 on 3/22 but no breakfast will be served**

**3/22/19 PTA Spring Fling & Book Fair @ 6:30-8:00pm**

Bring your family for a fun night of dancing, crafts, games, and activities plus an opportunity to purchase some new books for your child at the Scholastic Book Fair! Admission is free but donations will be accepted at the door to support the district Outreach Program and TJ PTA. Treats will be available for a small fee. Parent coordinators will send out a note prior asking for donations and volunteers to help. *Students must be accompanied by an adult.*

**3/25/19 – 3/28/19 Spring Parent / Teacher Conferences**

This is an opportunity to sit down, one-on-one, with your child's teacher to visit about your child's progress in school, share information about your child, and ask any questions about the class that you may have. Each conference is about 15 minutes long. Your child's teacher will send out a letter prior to these dates for parents to confirm the time and date of their conference. PTA will also provide staff conference dinners on 3/25 and 3/26. Volunteer requests will be sent home asking for food donations to provide a delicious supper for our staff who will be working late these two nights to meet with their students and families.

**3/28/19 Jubilee Kick-off Assembly 12:45**

Raffle tickets will be handed out after assembly and sales will run through May 1, 2019. Collection will be on Mondays and Fridays from 8:15am-9am.

## April

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**4/1/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**4/8/19 Volunteer Appreciation Day @ 3:30**

All volunteers of Jefferson are recognized by the TJ staff. Please stop in after school in the gym or office for a little thank you gift!

**4/15/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

### **4/16/19 - 5/23/19 Spring Walk & Talk**

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### **4/22/19 Earth Day Activities @ 2:45pm**

## **May**

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### **5/3/19 PTA's Annual JUBILEE @ 5:00 - 8:00pm**

This is Jefferson's largest fundraiser of the year, a tradition going back as long as we can remember! It is a great evening full of games, food, and family fun. It is vital that every family gets involved by donating items or volunteering to help in the month's prior and on the night of the event. You will receive many letters during the year asking for donations or volunteering of your time. Raffle tickets will be sold in the weeks leading up to the event with prizes for top sellers!

### **5/6/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

### **5/6/19 - 5/10/19 TJ Staff Appreciation Week Provided by PTA**

This week we plan activities to celebrate and thank our wonderful staff. We will have a luncheon on Friday, May 12th in the library for the staff. We ask for parent volunteers to help with lunch and recess duties, so that the whole staff can enjoy the luncheon. Information regarding this event will be sent out prior asking for whatever donations are needed for this week.

### **5/9/19 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Track and Field Day (District Event, Rain Date is 5/11/18)**

**\*\*5th Graders Only\*\*** All fifth graders in the district participate in a variety of events at the BHS field. Parents are welcome to attend and cheer on their child. This is a fun event and helps the kids meet other students from other schools. This event is organized by the district's Physical Education department.

### **5/15/19 Lunch on the Lawn @ 11:30am - 12:30 pm**

Families are invited to join our students for lunch on Jefferson's front lawn. The school will offer lunches to purchase or you may bring your own picnic lunch. Fingers crossed for nice weather!

### **5/20/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

### **5/28/19 PTA's Year End Meeting @ 6:00pm (In the TJ library)**

A reflection on a great year! Social hour starts at 6:00pm with snacks and coffee/drinks provided and a chance to chat with other members before the meeting officially starts at 6:30pm. Child care is provided for free in the gym or art room. Our babysitters are paid college students who are working on educational degrees at St. Ambrose and have had background checks done. PTA is open to anyone who would like to join, we need your help and input to make this year successful!

**5/31/19 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Luncheon (Graduation) @ 11:30am \*\*5th Graders Only\*\***

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade class is recognized during a special luncheon celebration from 11:30am -12:30pm. Family members are invited and highly encouraged to attend. Plan to bring some tissues for this emotional celebration! Siblings in younger grades may also attend, if their families wish to have them join. Look for more information to come home closer to the event.

**June**

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**6/3/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**

**6/4/19 TJ Field Day @ 8:45 - 11:15am**

Jefferson “families” participate in fun outdoor activities organized by the TJ staff. Adult volunteers will be needed to help supervise the different activities. Look for more info to come out.

**6/5/19 Last Day of School Assembly @ 10:30am (School Out @ 11:30, Pending Snow Make-up Day?)**

Our year-end event! A variety of year-long awards are presented to the children at this low-key assembly. Families are welcome to attend the assembly in the gym. Then school’s out for the summer!!

**6/17/19 Board Meeting 6:00 @ BHS**