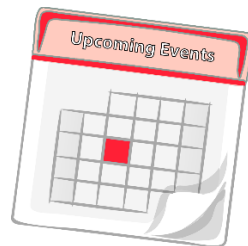


# JETSTREAM

A South-Western  
City School  
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“Providing the keys to unlock the future”

J. C. Sommer Elementary  
3055 Kingston Ave., Grove City, Ohio 43123  
(614) 801-8350



## April Highlights

- 2 - End of Spring Break
- 3 - Return to School
- 6 - Johnson's 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Meeting  
Zoo Visits Kindergarten
- 9-13 -3/4 State ELA Testing
- 18-19 3<sup>rd</sup> grade Math Testing
- 20- 1<sup>st</sup> grade Field Trip  
to Franklin Park Conservatory  
7PM Father/Daughter Dance  
4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Testing
- 23 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Testing
- 24 - Arganbright/Riggs Field Trip  
6PM PTA Skating Party  
7PM PTA Outstanding Educator  
@ Norton Middle School
- 27 - Agriesti Field Trip-COSI  
Gilbert,Frost, Carmichael Field Trip

## May Highlights

- 3 - 6PM 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Wax Museum
- 4 - Johnson's 1<sup>st</sup> Friday Meeting  
7PM PTA Movie Night
- 8 - 7 PM PTA Meeting
- 9 - 4PM Incoming K Visit Night
- 10 - 7PM 4<sup>th</sup> grade Choir Concert
- 11 - 3<sup>rd</sup> grade field trip @ COSI  
- K field trip to Zoo
- 14 -Riggs/Gilbert Walking FieldTrip
- 15 - Frost/Arganbright Field Trip
- 16 - 5:30 1<sup>st</sup> grade Animal Reports
- 17 - 5:30 Incoming K Visit Night
- 18 - 8:30 Walk-a-thon  
6PM - PTA Carnival
- 24 - 10:15 K Picnic @Windsor Park
- 25 - 11:00 1<sup>st</sup> grade Family Picnic
- 28 - No School - Memorial Day

May (dates continued)

29 - Field Day (grade levels TBD)  
9:30 K Celebration & Picnic  
11:30 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Picnic  
30 - Field Day (grade levels TBD)  
31 - 8:30 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Awards  
2:00 4<sup>TH</sup> Grade Clap Out  
Last Day of School

**As always please check the web site for our most current calendar.**

<http://jcses.swcsd.us/>



### **Principal's Perspective**

I can't believe that Spring Break is here. Third and Fourth graders will begin testing in April and May. Please be sure to check the calendar for the testing dates. On the dates your child will be testing if you can be sure they are getting a good night's sleep, eating breakfast and arriving to school on time, this really helps with testing. Thanks for your help in making your children successful!

Respectfully,

Elaine McLaughlin

# The J. C. Way

## **Be Safe:**

Be safe physically and emotionally  
Maintain a non-threatening environment  
Give put-ups and appreciations  
Keep hands and feet to yourself

## **Be Responsible:**

Do what you are supposed to do  
Keep on trying  
Use self-control  
Think before you act  
Be accountable for your choices  
Clean up after yourself

## **Be Respectful:**

Treat others how you want to be treated  
Accept differences  
Use good manners  
Be considerate of the feelings of others  
Deal peacefully with anger

## **Be Honest:**

Be honest with self and others  
Do what you'll say and you'll do  
Have the courage to do the right thing  
Take ownership of actions and words

## **Be Caring:**

Be kind  
Be compassionate and show you care  
Express gratitude  
Forgive others  
Help people in need  
Strive for growth  
Always try your best  
Ask questions  
Make all you do worthy of pride  
Continually working on your challenge areas  
Move forward academically and socially



## **SCHOOL ATTENDANCE LINE & REMINDERS**

### **614-801-8356**

**PLEASE call and let us know if your student will be absent. You may call anytime, this is a 24 hour hotline.** We need to verify where each student is and your phone call will save us valuable time.

---Please help us stress the importance of being at school every day and being on time. When students are late, they miss important information, work, and routines that put them behind the rest of the day. Being late to school not only puts your child behind, but it disrupts the rest of the classroom. Your help in getting your child to school on time is greatly appreciated.

---Students that wish to eat breakfast at school need to arrive by 8:00 a.m., to assure they have time to eat and are not tardy to class.

### **Jet Pack Members**

Recognizing the efforts and achievements of students is important to all of us at J.C. Sommer Elementary. Noticing positive and constructive behaviors helps to reinforce these actions and encourages children to strive to meet their academic and social goals. This year teachers and staff in our school will be recognizing students who have done something commendable by sending Jet Mail to these students and their families. Families will receive a Jet Letter announcing the occasion and students will receive a certificate naming a particular behavior or accomplishment that the adult believes is noteworthy. We encourage families to celebrate this event with their children in some special way and to continue to support our students in all the ways that they are striving for growth here at J.C. Sommer. Below you will find the names of our most recent Jet Pack Honoree4s for the end of January, February and March.

Annie Crow  
Abby Grooms  
Matthew Steiner  
Riley McDaniel  
Brooklyn Cress  
Colby Yates

Kylee Scaffidi  
Brock Pack  
Aaron Shenk  
Madison Butler  
Cohen Pierce  
Mykolas Jakson

Emma Morgan  
Noah Mastilak  
Aiden Mihely  
Cacie Smith  
Nathan Rowe  
Rylee Wells

## Jet Pack Members (continued)

Chase Schoonover  
Charlotte Biddle  
Maci Miller  
Casen Ross  
Tyler Leffler  
Bella Hixenbaugh  
Sage Ford  
Coley Kirchner  
Trace Price  
Preston Moody  
Carter Yocum  
Jacob Young  
Dylan Farley  
Gavin Retherford  
Avery Alexander  
Bryson Whitaker  
Ella Bunders  
Braylen Burton  
Addison Scott  
Jackson Hart  
Lexi Antry  
Lauren Roose  
Payton Hawthorne  
Lucas Topping  
Chloe Dingess  
Cayla Moody  
Brody Willis

Savannah Ford  
Carter Mullins  
Harper Gould  
Madison Scott  
Riley Hackett  
Ashton Elliott  
Joey Grace  
Ryder Anderson  
Nicholas Pennington  
Cameron Garza  
Keegan Kirchner  
Gaige Sprague  
Aisha Keita  
Malena D'Angela  
Nolan Tran  
Brayden Drum  
Kat Nelson  
Ayden Meinke  
Noah Mastilak  
Cyrus Speegle  
Elizabeth Bussard  
Ava Wilkinson  
Kenzie Holmstrom  
Talon Gerke  
Aaden Little  
Matthew Steiner

Reina Elder  
Reese Piscura  
Mya Milburn  
Sarah Cox  
Josh Moore  
Fiona Seese  
Paker Damron  
Phedias Chekkal  
Carter Hansen  
Clay Bullett  
Shane Carpenter  
Morgan Zelnak  
Cali Carr  
Carson June  
Maci Williams  
Payten Rutan  
Savannah Rouse  
Levin Espinoa  
Sophia Johnson  
Payton Hawthorne  
Jayden Estepp  
Joey Bice  
Carson Gould  
Vincent Agriesti  
Erin Swartzmiller  
Kylie Williams

CTNA Book Club (Cooper Sayer, Timothy Anderson,  
Namoie Scott, Abby Pearson)

## **South-Western City Schools Educational Foundation Benefiting our Music Program**

Thanks to the Educational Foundation for providing funds to our Music Program. Every year the Foundation allows teachers to apply for grants that enhance their programs. This is what Mrs. Sizemore did with the grant she received.

Has your son or daughter come home talking about playing African drums or learning about African instruments in music class this year? If so, it is because Mrs. Sizemore

received a grant from the South-Western City Schools Educational Foundation and was able to purchase 5 tubanos (tube-shaped drums), 1 buffalo or frame drum which makes a very low sound, and 2 gonkogui, which are double bell instruments, for the students at our school to play during music class. Students at all grade levels have been playing some of these instruments. AT 7 PM on May 10<sup>th</sup>, The Sommer Singers, our 4<sup>th</sup> grade Choir, will be playing these instruments as accompaniment to several songs about "Peace and Love". All parents are welcome to attend this performance in our Cafeteria.

## PTA Information

PTA sponsored their First **Read-A-Thon** February 26 thru March 9. With 221 children participating we raised \$9,183.00. **Thank you** to all the parents and staff that encouraged the kids to read and help to raise money for our PTA at the same time!! Your children collected enough money so we had the Principal and Reading Teacher dressed up as Thing 1 and Thing 2.

We had a parent call a teacher and thank them for this wonderful event. She said her child never liked reading but was thrilled to read every night for the Read-A-Thon. After all, that is what school is all about.😊😊😊



Below are some pictures from our PTA VIP Breakfast in February. Thanks to everyone who helped with the Book Fair and Breakfast.



Please remember, the Father Daughter Dance is coming up on April 20, 2018 at 7PM. I know all the girls enjoy showing off their Dad!

The PTA School Carnival is coming up May 18. Please look for information about volunteer opportunities coming your way soon.

**Thanks ALWAYS** to all of our PTA volunteers who make the Book Fair, Movie Nights, Mother/Son, Father/Daughter events, Kids Invite Someone Special Events, and all the other events go off without a hitch. The programs that are offered at our school would not be possible without the wonderful volunteers!!! If you missed the opportunity to volunteer there are many more opportunities. Thanks to all of YOU from the Students and Staff!!!!

Remember, to check the calendar for upcoming PTA events.

# CAMP INVENTION 2018

Camp Invention will be held at Park Street Intermediate from Monday, June 18th to Friday, June 22nd from 9:00 AM to 3:30 PM.

Below is a link for an overview of the camp and four short videos on the modules for this year's camp, if you think your child would be interested please click on this link.

<http://campinvention.org/inspire/camp-invention-k-6th/2018-program/>

## Active Duty Military Families

As part of a new Ohio Department of Education reporting requirement for the 2017-2018 school year, as well as that of the Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the South-Western City School District is required to identify those students whose parent/guardian is an active member of the Armed Forces, National Guard or Deployed Reservist.

If you are currently an active member of the military, please fill out the following form:

[Active Member of the Military ESSA Form](#)

NOTE: This form only needs to be completed if you are a SWCSD parent/guardian who is also currently an active member of the military. If more than one parent/guardian are an active member of the military please fill out the form for each parent/guardian.

## Kroger Community Rewards Program

Looking for a way to help PTA make some money without using yours? Please consider joining the Kroger Rewards Program. The number assigned to JCS is 93748! Below you will find instructions on how to sign up. Thanks for your consideration.

TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM:

- Simply encourage your members to register online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)
- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up.



- If a member does not yet have a Kroger Plus card, please let them know that they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.
- Click on Sign In/Register
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box.
- Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after your member(s) register their card(s).
- Do you use your phone number at the register? Call [877-576-7587](tel:877-576-7587) to get your Kroger Plus card number.
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

It was super easy to set up! I already linked my card to the account. Thanks!!

# GIANT EAGLE

Shop. Scan. Support our School. Apples for the Students started again on October 1. This program is a great way for our school to earn funds for our schools overall educational needs. Is your Giant Eagle Advantage Card registered? Now's the time to check. All you need is our school code 5678 to verify a card or register a new card.

1. Visit [www.gianteagle.com/AFTS](http://www.gianteagle.com/AFTS).
2. Enter your Giant Eagle Advantage Card number (which appears under the bar code)➤
3. Enter the school code. 5678
4. Done! Please encourage your extended family and friends to register too.

# Parking Lot Issues and Reminders

PLEASE remember these simple rules so everyone can get through the lot **SAFELY** and **QUICKLY**

In the **MORNING**-----

1. DO NOT GET out of your car, this causes backup in traffic flow. If you need to get out of your car please park in the lot.
2. While you are waiting in the line, please use that time to have your child gather their things and say your good byes so when it is your turn your child is ready to exit the car. For your child's safety HAVE YOUR CHILD EXIT ON THE CURB SIDE OF THE CAR.
3. Pull up as far as possible so other children can get out of their vehicles and the line continues to move. PLEASE FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FROM STAFF MEMBERS DIRECTING TRAFFIC.

In the **AFTERNOON**-----

1. DO NOT GET out of your car, this causes backup in traffic flow.
2. Please have your child's name in the window of your vehicle, this helps in having your child ready when you pull up.

**KINGSTON AVENUE** is NOT a drop off point for car riders or walkers. It is for bus drop off only! We have seen children dropped off and run across the street between cars and buses. Please consider the safety of your child and everyone else's children.

# Pay-PAMS (Reminder)

## Pre-Pay for Your Child's School Meals

- Pay for your child's meals via Internet or Telephone from the convenience of home or the office 24/7
- View your child's meal account balance
- Schedule automatic payments based on account balance
- receive low balance e-mail reminders
- View a report of daily spending and cafeteria purchases

There is now a [PayPAMS](#) Mobile App available to parents. This convenient app provides parents with the last three payment on account. Parents can also personalize the app by adding student pictures. The [PayPAMS](#) app is free for parents.

To download the app: Search for "[PayPAMS](#)" on your smart phone.

Log in with the same user name and password as you do on [www.PAYPAMS.com](http://www.PAYPAMS.com).

## Changing Weather

A quick reminder that with the changing weather, we still go outside for recess if the temperature is 20 degrees or above. Please dress your children appropriately.

## TALKING TO STRANGERS

It's that time of year again! Warmer weather signals the time when people tend to offer children shelter from the cold and it also means it's time to remind our children of various safety issues.

Please take time to talk with your child about strangers and dangerous situations. A good rule of thumb to reinforce is: Say No, Go, Yell and Tell. If your child feels they are in a dangerous situation, they should say no, run away, yell as loud as they can, and tell an adult.

Children need to know that strangers can be men or women, young or old. They can have any color skin. Some are tall and some are short, some are thin some are heavy. Some strangers can speak different languages. Most strangers are nice, but some strangers are mean. Because you don't know if someone is a good stranger or a bad one you should not take to anyone you don't know.

Here are some rules for staying safe that you can share with your child:

1. Never take rides from strangers. A stranger may offer you a ride or stop you to ask a question. They may even call you by name. That can be a trick. No matter what a stranger says, never go near a stranger's car.
2. Never take gifts from strangers. A stranger might offer you a gift. Never take gifts or candy, food or drinks from any stranger.
3. Always go straight home after school. Hanging around on the playground or at the bus stop are unsafe practices and could result in a dangerous situation.
4. Always let your parents know where you are. When playing away from home, let your parents know where you are. Never play in deserted areas and always stay in groups and don't take shortcuts through wooded areas.
5. Always get help if there is trouble. If you are grabbed or touched by a stranger, run and scream and tell your parents or another adult right away. If you see a stranger grab a friend or someone approaches you, remember as much as you can about what that stranger looks like. If the stranger is in a car, write down the license plate number of the car and remember the color and type of car. Know safe places you can go like a police or fire station.
6. Never open the door to a stranger. If you are playing at home alone and someone knocks at the door or rings the doorbell, never open the door to someone you do not know.
7. Never tell anyone of the phone you are home alone.
8. Avoid walking anywhere alone. Use the buddy system.

Web site resources:

Nation Crime Prevention Council [www.mcgruff.org](http://www.mcgruff.org)