



# John Jay High School Community Bulletin

*Weekly Events of September 27th through October 10th, 2019*

## Important Dates at a Glance:

Monday, September 30 <sup>th</sup> – Oct 1 <sup>st</sup>	Rosh Hashanah - School Closed
Thursday, October 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Board of Education Meeting (HS Library) 7:30 PM
Friday, October 4 <sup>th</sup>	HS Early Dismissal Drill (will dismiss at 2:33 PM)
Friday, October 4 <sup>th</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Interim Ends
Saturday, October 5 <sup>th</sup>	SAT (pre-registration required through the College Board)
Monday, October 7 <sup>th</sup> - 11 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Week
Wednesday, October 9 <sup>th</sup>	Yom Kippur - School Closed
Saturday, October 12 <sup>th</sup>	Homecoming (Football Game now starts at 6:30 PM)
Monday, October 14 <sup>th</sup>	Columbus Day – School Closed

*Congratulations to Jessica Leff and Sydney Aronson!*



Dr. Steven Siciliano, principal of John Jay High School, announced today that the Valedictorian of the Class of 2020 is Jessica Leff and the Salutatorian is Sydney Aronson.

"These are wonderful accomplishments and testament to these students' years of hard work and determination," said Dr. Siciliano. "When talent works hard, there's no limit to what can be accomplished and we're extremely proud of both of them."

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## Note:

**Early Dismissal Drill on October 4<sup>th</sup>, students will be dismissed at 2:33. Students staying for after school activities and athletics will conduct a “shelter in place” drill until all the buses have left school grounds.**

## News from the Counseling Center:

**A Final Reminder to Parents/Guardians of Sophomores and Juniors:** Registration for the PSAT is taking place in the Counseling Center throughout the school day through Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. A check in the amount of \$30, made payable to “KLSD” is all that is needed for your child to be registered for the Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> exam. Payment must be received in the Counseling Center by Friday, October 4<sup>th</sup>. Please call the Counseling Center at 763-7216 if you have any questions.



**Parents/Guardians of Students Enrolled in AP Classes:** Registration is currently underway for AP exams. (Please refer to the connect-ed email of September 24<sup>th</sup>.) The registration form as well as a check made payable to “KLSD” in the amount of \$94 per exam, the amount set forth by the College Board, is due into the Counseling Center by Friday, November 1<sup>st</sup>. Extra registration forms and AP exam schedules are available in the Counseling Center or on the High School web-page: <https://jjhs.klschools.org/home> under “Quick Links.”

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## HOMECOMING 2019

### LIVE MUSIC ON THE LAWN

### IN FRONT OF THE HIGH SCHOOL

**OCTOBER 12<sup>TH</sup> 3:30-5:30**

Co-sponsored by: KLSD and John Jay Boosters



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**Spirit Week and Homecoming are an important celebration of JJHS school spirit.** Each day during Spirit Week (Monday, October 7<sup>th</sup> through Friday, October 11<sup>th</sup>) students come to school in themed attire, sometimes just for fun and at other times part of a judged grade level competition to see who has the most spirit.

Spirit Week concludes with an all school Pep Rally in the gym on Friday afternoon. The seniors of each of our Varsity sports teams are introduced and our JJ Chorale a-capella musical ensembles and the dance team perform. Lots of excitement (and noise) to be sure!!

Homecoming itself begins Friday afternoon and continues all day on Saturday. This is an important community event with food, sporting events, and entertainment. All are invited - it isn't just for the high school! The culmination of the event is the annual Homecoming Halftime Float Parade during the Saturday evening football game. Each grade level creates a representation of a chosen theme and parades on the track past the grandstands. This is also a judged event in the grade level competition. The Homecoming football game will start at 6:30 pm on Saturday.

We hope to see you there on Homecoming Saturday!!!! If you can't make it, at least wear purple and white for the weekend!!!

## ***SPIRIT WEEK ATTIRE IS AS FOLLOWS:***

<b>Monday:</b>	<b>'Merica Monday - Come in wearing your red, white and blue</b>
<b>Tuesday:</b>	<b>Hawaiian Day</b>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	<b>No School</b>
<b>Thursday:</b>	<b>Unity Day – Wear the class colors</b> <b>Seniors – Red</b> <b>Juniors – Yellow</b> <b>Sophomores – Green</b> <b>Freshman – Blue</b>
<b>Friday:</b>	<b>Wear your school colors! It's Purple and White Day!</b>

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## ***National Honor Society – Sign Up For Free Tutoring***

The National Honor Society Students offer free tutoring. If you have a child that is interested in being tutored, they should fill out a tutor form in the Library. If you have any questions you can email Steve Zoeller, the NHS advisor, at [szoeller@klschools.org](mailto:szoeller@klschools.org).

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Listed below are standardized security procedures and protocols that are in place:

## Standardized Security Procedures in the Katonah-Lewisboro School District

- We use a single point of entry system wherever feasible in which all exterior doors are locked. Please use the main entrance when visiting our schools.
- Surveillance equipment is used in all of our schools.
- Exterior doors are checked throughout the day by school personnel to insure that they are closed and locked. If you are visiting our schools, please do not ask students to open doors.
- All staff wear visible identification badges during the day.

## Standardized Visitor Protocols

- All visitors are required to sign in upon entering the building either with the staff member at the reception desk or in the main office.
- You will be asked to show picture ID when signing in.
- You will be asked to let us know who you are visiting at the school.
- You will be asked to wear a visible ID badge during your stay and will be required to return the visitor's pass to the main office or reception desk and sign-out before departing.
- You may be asked to wait for an escort and limit your movements to designated areas.

## Standardized Student Sign-Out Procedures

- A request to sign out a student is made at the office or with the staff member at the reception desk.
- An ID is checked if the parent or designee is not known by school staff.

## Emergency Response Procedures

**We will be conducting unannounced drills. Please speak with your child regarding the drills and be mindful that drills may be taking place when you arrive at schools. We understand that this may create an inconvenience, but again, safety and security must be the priority.**

**Please carefully review the following procedures which may be in effect during the school year and the desired parent response:**

- **Unscheduled Early Closings**

Schools may close early due to a weather-related or building facility malfunction. The automated phone system will be activated to call the four numbers that you provided to us on the Student Emergency Contact Information form. **Bus notes will not be honored in our schools.**

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**Desired Parent Response** – Please make sure that your telephone contact numbers are up-to-date with your student(s) school. You should have a plan in place with your student(s) so that s/he feels comfortable if sent home early.

- **LockDOWN**

When students and staff are in immediate danger (for example – intruder in building), **all students and staff will take cover in locked rooms**. This procedure requires immediate police response and will stay in effect until police determine that the school is safe.

**Desired Parent Response** – If you arrive at school and the school is in a Lockdown, please leave the school grounds immediately. If you are not at school, please do not come to pick up your student(s). You will receive updated information via radio, cable TV, e-mail or through the automated phone system. The police will be in control of the school and will keep parents away from the building until an all clear is signaled. If you are in the school, please follow directions from staff.

- **LockOUT**

When an incident or situation that requires heightened attention occurs in the vicinity of the schools – **all exterior doors will be locked**. Deliveries will be controlled, there will be increased supervision at arrival and dismissal, there will be no outdoor recess or PE, and extra-curricular activities may be postponed or cancelled.

**Desired Parent Response** – If parents come to school to pick up their student(s), we would ask them to be patient with the increased security. During the initial stage of the lockout, no one will be allowed to enter or leave the building. Limited entry may be imposed throughout the day. If you are in the school, please follow directions from staff.

- **Off-site Sheltering**

A school will shelter off-site if they are unable to return to a building following a building evacuation but also cannot be dismissed. The off-site location for the High School is the Middle School and the off-site location for the Middle School is the High School. Meadow Pond shelters off-site at John Jay High School. Increase Miller and Katonah shelter off-site at John Jay Middle School. Parents will be notified via the automated phone system if a school cannot return to its building and must dismiss from the off-site location earlier than normal. Further information may also be posted on the District's website.

**Desired Parent Response** – Please have a plan in place with your student(s) if the school needs to dismiss earlier from its off-site location.

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- **Sheltering in Place**

Sheltering inside the school is implemented under conditions when it is safer for students and staff to remain inside the building than to evacuate or be dismissed early. The decision to shelter students is made in accordance with the Building Crisis Plan. Where to shelter students and staff on-site will depend upon the nature of the emergency. If the sheltering period is extended for more than a few hours, arrangements to meet basic human needs (toilet facilities, water and food) will be arranged.

**Desired Parent Response** – Parents should not attempt to enter a building during a crisis situation. If you are in the school, please remain quiet and follow directions from staff. Updated information will be provided via the automated phone system. Further information may also be posted on the District’s website.

- **Building Evacuation**

In the event of fire or severe facility malfunction, the building will be evacuated. **No vehicles will be allowed to enter or exit school property during an evacuation.** If the building cannot be reentered, students will be brought to their off-site sheltering location. Parents will be notified via the automated phone system if a school cannot return to its building and must dismiss from the offsite location earlier than normal.

**Desired Parent Response** – The police will be in control of the school and will keep parents away from the building until an all clear is signaled. If you are in the school, please remain quiet and follow directions from staff. Updated information will be provided via the automated phone system. Further information may also be posted on the District’s website.

**Parents/guardians should NOT attempt to pick up children during crisis situations. By doing so they could be exposing themselves and all children and staff to further risk.**

The automated phone communication system will be activated for unscheduled early closings and other emergency or unplanned situations. This system is only as effective as the accuracy of the information provided. If any of your contact information should change during the school year, please notify your school so that they may update the records accordingly. **It is vital that you have a plan in place with your student(s) in the event that there is an unplanned early dismissal and we are unable to contact you.**

Please [click here](#) to access the District Safety Plan 2019-20 from our website.

# John Jay Athletics

## HS Winter Sports Information

Below is important information for parents and students to help with the registration process for winter sports. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact the athletic department.

On-line registration through FamilyID opens October 11th.

- [www.familyid.com](http://www.familyid.com) / Program Name: John Jay Athletics

### Winter Sports Offered:

- \* Basketball (boys & girls) \* Bowling \* Ice Hockey \* Boys Swim & Dive
- \* Indoor Track (boys & girls) \* Wrestling

- You must register your child EACH SEASON they wish to participate on a team.
- Current physicals and medical forms due to nurse's office by November 4<sup>th</sup>.
- Doctor at HS November 1st. If you would like to use the school doctor for a physical, please schedule an appointment with the nurse's office.
- Tryouts Begin November 12th

### Important Information:

#### Alpine Ski:

- North Salem's registration closes for winter sports on November 2nd. This date is strictly enforced by the North Salem School District and JJHS must adhere with their policies.
- NSHS Open House for Winter Sports: November 12th – 7:00 pm

**Physicals:** A current physical must be on file to be eligible for winter sports. Physicals dated October 2018 (or earlier) are not current physicals.

**Medication Forms:** Students who carry inhalers, epipens or have any other special medical concerns must have updated medication forms completed by their physician on file in the health office. Printed forms from doctor's offices that use electronic medical records are acceptable. Forms can be found on the athletic web page - <https://www.klschools.org/groups/4486/athletics/home>

**Student Transportation:** Students must be transported to and from all athletic contests by school authorized vehicles. Parents may transport their child home from away contests.

**Athletic Calendar:** Visit our inter-active athletic calendar on our web site. This calendar provides the latest information on practices and games. Track your team(s), access directions to fields, set game reminders and receive real-time e-mails of changes.

Athletic Office: 914-763-7254 \*\* HS Health Office: 914-763-7205 / fax: 914-763-6572