No School for students on Friday, February 7th due to Parent-Teacher Conferences.

Dear TLJA Family,

It is so hard to believe that it is already February. We have just completed our middle of the year testing. Our students have shown growth from the start of the year. Please be sure to ask your child about how they did. Students are taking an active role in their education. They know their personal data, they set goals for themselves, and work hard towards achieving that goal. We are very proud of them.

We are setting similar goals for ILEARN. We will have incentives for students and classes that reach their goals. TLJA will make a positive mark on this crucial test. Stay tuned for further details.

We are looking forward to an early Spring. Thank you for all you do for your students. Dawn Starks, TLJA School Leader

Box Tops

We are in need of your box tops for our school. They will help raise money for equipment and technology for our building. Have your student bring them in to the school office.

Dress Code for Elementary Scholars

TLJA students are to be in dress code every day.

- **Shirts** must have a collar and be **light blue, navy, black or white**. Shirts must be solid color with no stripes, prints, or labels.
- **Pants, shorts, and skirts** must be **khaki, navy, or black**. Students are not to wear jeans, denim, leggings, or sweats. No sagging allowed!
- **Belts** are to be worn if necessary.
- **Sweaters and hoodies** worn inside must be light blue, navy, black, or white and have **no prints or logos**. Students are not to wear outdoor jackets and coats inside.
- **Shoes** should totally enclose the student’s foot. No sandals or backless shoes.

Any questions regarding the dress code should be referred to the school office or your child’s teacher.

Please be sure to read with your child at least 20 minutes every night!! Please make sure students are getting eight hours of sleep every night.
**Important Dates to Remember and Mark Your Calendar**

**February:**
- 5 Read Aloud Day
- 7 Parent/Teacher Conferences 7:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Allen County Public Library Visits P/T Conferences
- 14 Middle School Public Library
- 18 JazzReach Middle School Field trip – Embassy 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
- 21 Earth Dome Middle School Assembly – 9:30 a.m.

**March**
- 5 Gr 4 and 5 McMillen Ctr
- Gr 7/8/9 McMillen Ctr

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**A FEW FRIENDLY REMINDERS**

We are still in the cold & flu season.

**A NOTE FROM THE NURSE**

Please do not send your child to school if he/she has or has had:
- Fever of more than 100 degrees within the last 24 hours.
- Vomiting or diarrhea within the last 24 hours.
- Continuous coughing not relieved with cough medicine.

Please help us teach your children good health habits to protect themselves as well as others:
1. Plenty of rest and nutritious food are needed.
2. Do not eat or drink from same utensil or container after someone else.
3. When coughing or sneezing, cover the nose and mouth by coughing or sneezing into a tissue or bent elbow.
4. Practice frequent hand washing with soap and water or hand sanitizer.

Thank you in advance for working with us to keep students and staff healthy and in school.

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**PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES**

On February 7th, we will be having our next Parent/Teacher Conference day. Please plan to meet with your child’s teacher to see how your student has progressed and what you can do at home to help continue the learning process. When you receive the notice from your teacher requesting a time to meet with him/her, please return it as soon as possible. We look forward to seeing you and your student at Timothy L. Johnson Academy on Friday, February 7th.

Middle School parents will meet all their student’s teachers in the Middle School Cafeteria. You will be able to visit your student’s teachers in the same area. You will not need to set an appointment time to meet with teachers. Visit to the cafeteria and be greeted by all the Middle School teachers.

Remember, there will be no regular classes for students on February 7th.

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**ALLEN COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY COMES TO TLJA**

Good news! On Friday, February 7th, during Parent/Teacher Conferences, Fort Wayne/Allen County Public Library representatives will be at Timothy L. Johnson Academy from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. to give parents, guardians and students the opportunity to sign up for a Allen County Public Library card free of charge.

This is a great opportunity for you to sign up your student for a library card so they may enjoy the hundreds of books available for all ages and to be able to go to any Allen County Public Library without having to make a trip to the main library. With a library card, you may enjoy books, magazines, movies and subscriptions available without having to purchase or rent them. Items will be loaned for a specific time for you to enjoy them at no charge.

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**WORLD READ ALOUD DAY**

Litworld founded World Read Aloud Day (WRAD) in 2010 because reading aloud is a powerful and transformative act. Every February, schools around the world celebrate WRAD in creative and exciting ways.

Timothy L. Johnson Elementary School will celebrate **World Read Aloud Day** on Wednesday, February 5th with all students reading aloud in classrooms. Students will stop working and read aloud using books available in the Media Center.

This is a great time and a very worthwhile endeavor for both students and parents. Perhaps the teacher will read a story aloud to the class, or a student may also read aloud to the class.

With Valentine's Day only a few days away on February 14th, several classes are planning classroom parties. If you plan to send Valentine's cards to students in your child’s class, please call your child’s teacher to find out how many students are in his/her class. Valentine’s Day is a happy day for students, and children are always excited to receive Valentine cards from classmates.

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**VALENTINE'S DAY MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE**

Students are excited to be able to “kick up their heels” on Valentine’s Day, February 14th. Middle School students will enjoy the afternoon dancing to tunes in the Middle School Cafeteria. The dance will be held from 2:15 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. What a wonderful and exciting way to celebrate Valentine’s Day with good friends!

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**MIDDLE SCHOOL EARTH DOME ASSEMBLY**

On Friday, February 21st, Middle School students will have the opportunity to learn about geography as well as environmental issues. MobileEd Productions will bring a giant earth balloon to Timothy L. Johnson Middle School for 30-minute assemblies for grades 6, 7, and 8.

The Earth Dome is a gigantic inflatable earth balloon standing 19 feet high and 22 feet in diameter. It’s made of 24 huge panels silkscreened with photographs shot from satellites of the surface of the world on cloud free days.

There will be presentations both outside as well as inside the balloon. Students will see, and better understand, the scale of concepts such as continents, time zones, latitude, longitude and more! They will be able see and understand the Earth as it appears from space, as opposed to painted globes or drawings.
KIWI

The Kiwi is native to the Yangtze River valley of northern China and Zhejiang Province on the coast of eastern China. The first seeds were brought out of China by missionaries to New Zealand at the turn of this century. Kiwifruit, or Chinese gooseberry, is the edible berry of several species of woody vines in the genus Actinidia.

Chances are you don’t get enough fruit servings in your diet. Maybe you’re bored of bananas, apples and grapes and need a fresh produce pick? A nutrient-rich serving of kiwifruit may be just what you need. A serving of kiwifruit (2 kiwis) has twice the vitamin C of an orange, as much potassium as a banana and the fiber of vitamin C, vitamin K, vitamin E, folate, and potassium. They also have a lot of antioxidants and are a good source of fiber.

**FEBRUARY FFVP MENU**

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