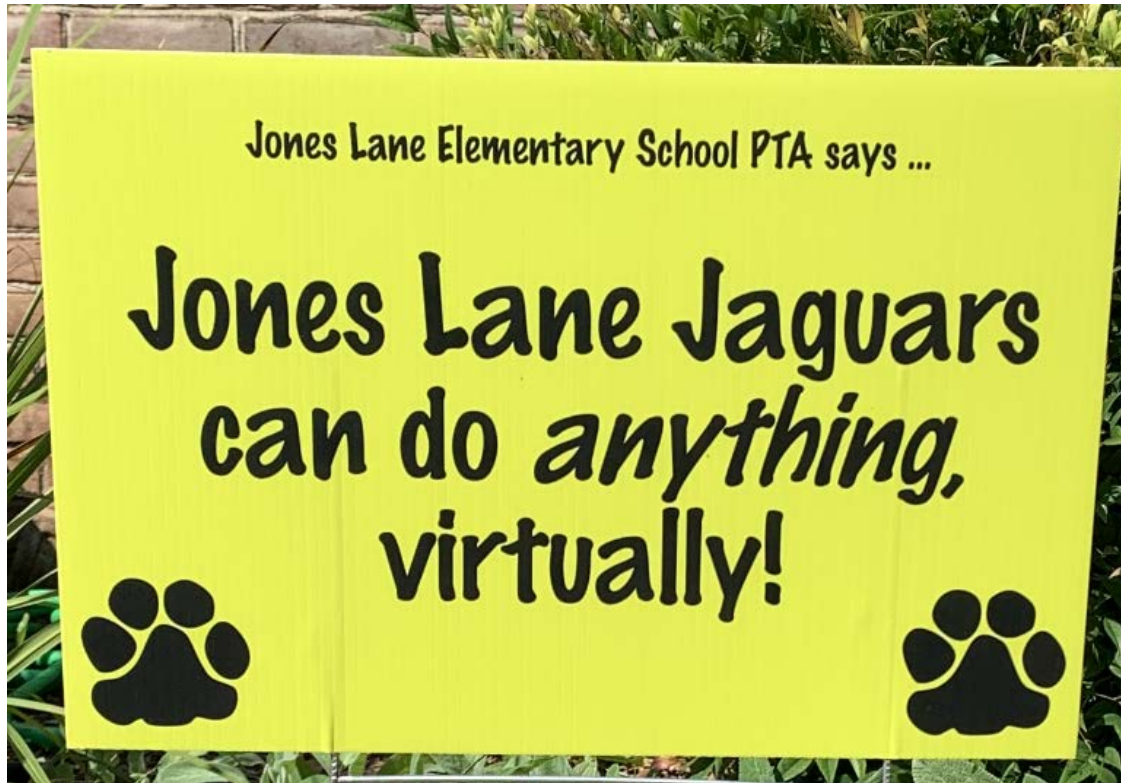


Jones Lane Elementary School PTA
Final Summer Update 11



Important Dates:

Wednesday August 26th - Materials Pick-Up at JLES

Sunday August 30th - Check your Email for a Back to School Storytime!

Monday August 31st - 1st Day of School

Tuesday September 1st - PTA Meeting, 7pm (Zoom login TBD)

Materials Pick-Up This Week

Comes to JLES on Wednesday to pick up your distance learning materials or a chromebook if you missed last week's distribution.

Pick Up Times

9:00-10:00 Students in K
10:00-11:00 Students in Grade 1
11:00-12:00 Students in Grade 2
12:00-1:00 Students in Grade 3
1:00-2:00 Students in Grade 4
2:00-3:00 Students in Grade 5

- If you have multiple children in the school, please come at your oldest child's time.
- If you were unable to pick up your chromebook on August 19, we will be able to give you your child's chromebook.
- Please wear a mask and have a **VISIBLE SIGN**, with your child's first and last name and grade level.

Yard Signs

At your school supply pick-up you should receive a yard sign "Jones Lane Jaguars Can Do Virtually Anything". Please put the sign in your yard and stay tuned for some scavenger hunt games because our newest student, Flat Jag is going to be making visits to signs all around the neighborhood. More info coming soon! For now, put up your sign and take some back to school pictures. If you want to be posted on our social media, please send the pictures to President.JLESPTA@gmail.com.

We also want to send a big THANK YOU to [Signs By Tomorrow in Rockville](#) for being helpful and flexible in making these signs happen for our community!

Jaguar Buddies Program: Kindergartners & 5th Graders

The JLES PTA is launching the Kindergarten - 5th Grade Buddy Program. We will pair up students and/or families (one 5th Grade Mentor, with one Kindergartner) to provide some extra support, as you navigate a new school and support your Jones Lane Jaguar!

To sign up, complete the Google Form titled, Kindergarten-5th Grade Buddy Program, JLES, <https://forms.gle/J3PKozJaSUDzd2Lc7>.

We will pair up buddies on a rolling basis - so you can join anytime. Throughout the year, we will also provide suggestions of how to start communication, along with monthly writing prompts for the kids.

Questions? Contact Shondra Jenkins at Buddies.JLESPTA@gmail.com.

FARMS Application

Attention! Families must complete the FARMS application for 2020-2021 to avoid being charged money at MCPS meal distribution sites starting August 31st. Completing the form will also ensure access to Pandemic EBT if it is provided again. Click here to complete the form: <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application> A social security number is not required. Please help spread the word!

¡Atención! Las familias deben completar la solicitud FARMS para 2020-2021 para evitar que se les cobre dinero en los sitios de distribución de comidas de MCPS a partir del 31 de agosto. Completar el formulario también garantizará el acceso a Pandemic EBT si se proporciona nuevamente. Haga clic aquí para completar el formulario: <https://www.myschoolapps.com/Application> No se requiere un número de seguro social. ¡Por favor ayude a correr la voz!

Ways to Support JLES PTA

We just got a deposit of \$77.57 in our account from Amazon Smiles for the period of April - June of this year. Please keep shopping and link your accounts to support Jones Lane PTA!

Harris Teeter: go to <https://www.harristeeter.com/together-in-education>, log in, and select school code #1131. You can also link to JLES at the store register.

Amazon.com: go to <https://smile.amazon.com>, register with "Jones Lane Elementary-Montgomery" and shop through Smile!

Extracurricular: Girls on the Run for Grades 3-5 Jones Lane ES girls

Interested in having your Grades 3-5 daughter participate in Girls on the Run this fall? Girls on the Run is a fun, engaging program for girls in Grades 3-5 that focuses on confidence, kindness, fitness & more. This fall, we will have a small team, limited to 10 girls, that will meet at Aberdeen Park on Tuesdays & Thursdays, from 4:00-5:15pm, starting September 29th. The fall program ends on November 22nd. Social distancing practices & safety measures will take place at each practice. If your girl is interested, registration starts this MONDAY, AUGUST 17th at 9:00am. You can register by clicking this link: <https://www.raceplanner.com/register/index/Fall-2020-Program-Reg>

Registration is first-come, first-serve, and we expect the team will fill quickly, so if you're interested, please register your daughter right away. Any questions? Email Nicolette Woods, Girls on the Run head coach at nolsen29@msn.com OR go to <https://www.girlsontherunofmoco.org/Our-Programs>

PTA Is Here For You & Your Child

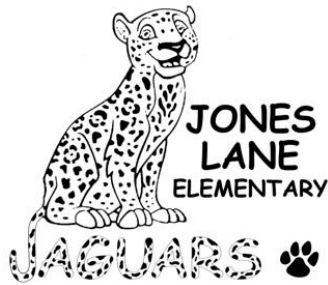
Do you have a question? An idea about programing or something the PTA can do? Confused about something school related or getting services? Email the PTA and we will help you find the answers or get you connected to the right office.

YOUR PTA is here for you and your child.

Email us anytime, Sarah Weinstein, Vice President @ VicePresident.JLESPTA@gmail.com or President, Stacy Kravitz at President.JLESPTA@gmail.com

School Supply Kits - Thank you to our donors!

Thank you to everyone who donated supplies and funds for students in our community who are in need of school supplies. We were able to assemble 150 kits for our most needy families. [JLES PTA Virtual Learning Kit Press Release.pdf](#)



Jones Lane Elementary School
Parent Teacher Association
Stacy Kravitz, President
(301) 204-5914
president.jlespta@gmail.com

August 22, 2020

Jones Lane Elementary School (JLES) PTA Develops 150 Virtual Learning Kits for Students in Need

Gaithersburg, MD — August 22, 2020 — Jones Lane Elementary School (JLES) Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is excited to launch our Virtual Learning Kit Program for students in need.

The kits include standard and supplemental school supplies tailored to the virtual learning environment like math manipulatives and tools, small dry erase boards, and headphones. The Virtual Learning Kits will be distributed to 150 students on August 29, 2020. They are the brainchild of a JLES PTA parent volunteer and teacher. “I envisioned this effort while I was preparing back-to-school materials for my own children, “ said Virtual Learning Kit organizer Jessica Boro. “Children of all ages need hands-on learning tools, and it felt even more important in a virtual setting. Hopefully these supplies and manipulatives will help the students feel a bit more like they are working with materials they remember from their classrooms.”

Many JLES families have also been impacted by unemployment, food insecurity, eviction, etc. and don’t have the resources to purchase educational supplies this year. “The start of the new school year is typically a time of excitement, but this year, things are different. Families across this community are struggling, and these kits will go a long way to ensure that all our Jones Lane Jaguars are ready to learn and succeed in the virtual environment,” said co-organizer Jessica Berrellez.

This project is made possible through donations of school and neighborhood families. The JLES PTA launched a supply drive to collect donations from school and neighborhood families. JLES PTA is also incredibly grateful for the \$500 donation from MiMadre and in-kind donations from community partners like Montgomery County Police Department.

“At JLES, we live by the saying ‘It takes a village.’ And now, more than ever, our PTA is working hard to support the needs of our diverse school community. We can’t do it alone and this gift from MiMadre has had a tremendous impact on our program and we are grateful for all of our generous donors for their support,” said JLES PTA President Stacy Kravitz. Anyone wishing to support JLES PTA through this program can simply make a donation via PayPal to treasurer.jlespta@gmail.com or mail a donation to PTA President Stacy Kravitz. To learn more about JLES PTA, please go to: <https://www.joneslanepta.org/>