

Principal's Report May 17, 2021

Charter Goals

Goal #1 Show an annual increase in the percentage of graduates that are college and career ready as defined by the state.

Goal #2 Show an annual increase in student participation in additional rigorous coursework through positive relationships, community-building activities, family engagement, and student support.

Goal #3 Show an annual decrease in the achievement gap for historically underachieving populations (SPED, ELL, socio-economically disadvantaged, and minority students).

Academics/School Update of Events

Gov. McMaster's Mask Resolution

5.11.21- This evening Governor McMaster issued Executive Order 2021-23, that has language pertaining to the use of face coverings in South Carolina public schools. Due to the lateness of the Order, the legal ambiguities, and the absence of a DHEC opt-out form, the state face-covering guidelines will remain in effect until such time as the agency has the opportunity to confer with legal counsel and provide further guidance.

As noted in the Order, face-covering requirements as they relate to students and staff on school buses have not changed as a result of President's Executive Order No. 13998 (Executive Order on Promoting COVID-19 Safety in Domestic and International Travel) (Jan. 21, 2021); CDC Order Under Section 361 of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. § 264) and 42 C.F.R. §§ 70.2, 71.31(b), 71.32(b) (Requirement for Persons to Wear Masks While on Conveyances and at Transportation Hubs) (Jan. 29, 2021).

CCSD Statement

Statement from CCSD Board: *As a Board of Trustees, we must comply with the executive order to allow for facemask waivers, but we use this opportunity to earnestly appeal to all parents to allow the successful protocols put in place for this most unusual year to remain in place for this school year. Teachers and staff have respected students and families all year long by serving children five days per week. We are strongly urging all families to respect teachers by having your child wear a face mask for the remainder of the school year.*

Beginning tomorrow Thursday, May 13, 2021, parents/legal guardians may submit an official DHEC waiver form to the school that allows their students to opt-out of the requirement to wear a facemask at school. The official DHEC waiver form is the only acceptable document to opt-out of the mandate. A separate form must be completed for each child and presented to the school before the waiver taking effect. The form can be accessed from the CCSD website homepage.

CCSD Policy ADD remains in effect for employees and students (except students whose parents have completed and submitted the DHEC waiver form). Additionally, ALL students are still required to wear a face mask on school buses.

Note: This policy applies at JICHS starting tomorrow.

Waivers are being collected in most offices. The waiver is then put into PowerSchool for each student. Students are issued an orange pass, which indicates that submitted a waiver.

Textbooks

The State Department of Education is expected to fund several new textbooks for the 21-22SY. We are partnering with CCSD to host a public review for World History, Algebra 3, Precalculus, and Probability and Statistics instructional materials. A display will be set up in the front atrium between May 17th and May 26th for stakeholders to review and provide feedback for the Textbook Selection Committee to consider.

Promenade

Prom was a tremendous success. Unfortunately, we only had approximately 80 students attend. It was held at a parent private residence, which was on the water with a view of the marsh and Folly Beach. Those that did attend really appeared to enjoy themselves. A special thanks to Mrs. Quinn, Mrs. Barksdale, and Mrs. Holland for making Prom happen.

Senior Picnic

The Senior Picnic is scheduled for May 28, 2021, from 11:35 am through the end of the school day. We are grilling hamburgers and hotdogs. There will be music and games for students.

Mental Health Walk- Reminder (Michelle Johnson's email)

JI #BreaktheStigma 5/21/21!

The Equity and Access Committee, UBASA, FBLA, Project Lit, JROTC, AVID, Keep It Kind, Athletics Department, and SGA want you to accept the "Mile for Mental Health" challenge! These JI organizations challenge your faculty and staff to complete one mile at home, in the gym, or at school next Friday!

After your walk, hang out with us at our JI Mental Health Awareness Cookout from 11 to 2 in the stadium. Grab a plate, and enjoy the goodies and games organized to help everyone "woooosaaah" for the end year.

Can you walk before 11? Absolutely! Record your time for that morning, present your time and selfie to the student managing that station, and get your hand stamped.

Student Vaccinations

CCSD and JICHS partnered with Fetter Health Care to create an opportunity for students ages 16 and older to receive the COVID vaccine at school with consent from parents. Students will be receiving the Pfizer vaccine which requires two doses. The first shot was administered on May 13 (dose 1), and the second shot will be administered on June 3, 2021. Parents were asked to complete the attached survey to help us prepare for staffing needs and available vaccine doses.

109 students and three staff members were vaccinated on May 13th.

CREW

On May 5, 2021, the Leadership Team approved the motion below.

JCHS will establish a CREW course for all students, which will meet Wednesdays for 45 minutes beginning in August 2021 following the timeline in the CREW Proposal document with full implementation of three 45-minute periods/week beginning in August 2022.

Crew Description

Objective: Structuring an Advisory (CREW) course to be held three times each week (45 mins) with an integrated curriculum that includes team building, academic check-ins, goal setting, SEL, service-learning projects, school spirit, and supports all three of our Charter Goals.

Purpose of CREW: To promote a cohesive school environment while cultivating personal relationships between learners and educators that will support Social and Emotional Learning, cultural responsiveness, and serve as a tier-one intervention to keep students engaged.

“We are Crew, Not Passengers.” This metaphor refers to a group in a boat on a long voyage, where everyone is needed to pull at an oar and no one sits by watching. In adhering to this motto, “Crew” can be used to reference both individual classrooms and the entire school community. We strive to instill a sense of responsibility, participation, and cooperation among individuals, the student body, the school community, and the greater community. This motto represents our commitment to inclusion and action in the service of self and others.

(Through the use of Jostens Renaissance, Capturing Kids Hearts, Restorative Practices, and JI Created Activities)

HR and Payroll Update

We are working with Prestige with CCSD and PEBA on our payroll and HR transition, which includes our PEBA benefits. We have a new group number through PEBA for insurance. CCSD is allowing us to use their email domain (@charleston.k12.sc.us), which allows us to keep our email addresses and Google Drive accounts.

EIR Grant

Ms. Scuggs, Mrs. Johnson, and I will be working with the EIR Grant Team from CCSD this July. EIR Grant gives teachers up to \$1,500 for PD on Cultural Competency in the classroom.

Graduation

Graduation is June 18, 2021, at 9:00 am in the Backyard. CCSD is limiting 4 attendees for each graduate. The stadium is currently arranged in 4-person (8 ft) sections that are 6-ft apart. The total capacity of home and visiting grandstands is 1102. We expect to have 347 graduates that x 4 attendees = 1,388. We will be able to seat the remaining 286 on the track.

Enrollment Update- 2nd Semester Virtual/In-person Request (Drake)

Grade	A_Orange	B_Blue	C_Red	E_Green	Program School	Total
9	59	50	205	110	13	437
10	76	57	137	108	6	384
11	79	73	101	119	9	381
12	80	79	64	120	5	348
Totals	294	259	507	457	33	1550

Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th	9-12
6/5/2020	377	395	368	345	1485
8/17/2020	468	388	409	365	1630
9/18/2020	456	385	403	355	1599
10/16/2020	452	382	405	352	1591
11/16/2020	450	383	399	350	1582
12/14/2020	449	384	396	349	1579
1/22/2021	444	382	391	348	1565
2/22/2021	445	386	382	363	1576
3/15/2021	436	387	384	347	1554
4/16/2021	436	384	384	347	1551
5/17/2021	437	384	381	348	1550

2021-22 Enrollment Projections

Enrollment As of 5/5/2020	9TH	10TH	11TH	12TH
JICHS	436	439	387	372
CLARK	0	0	0	0
DANIEL JENKINS	0	1	0	0
EARLY COLLEGE	4	12	6	9
TOTAL:	440	452	393	381
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CLARK	0			
DANIEL JENKINS	-1			
EARLY COLLEGE	-31			
JICHS IN HOUSE TOTAL:	1634			

Technology Update

Technology is in the midst of preparing for End-Of-Course exams and working with CCSD to provide access to AP exam Apps through our Chromebook logins to comply with testing security and requirements.

Technology is working with Encore to get plans in place to begin the big Network project. We've identified the first wave of hardware pieces that need to be on campus so that the project will move forward as planned.

Technology is evaluating software and curricular components presented by individual departments for courses to be offered next year. Media Specialists and Mr. Drake are working out the finer details of our 1-to-1 program at this time.

Security Update

On 4/28 Mr. Edwards received information of a bomb threat against the school. The threat was very specific and included method, location, date, and time. The administration had approximately 10 minutes to react before the threatened act was supposed to take place and with the assistance of law enforcement, the building was evacuated. Multiple law enforcement agencies including Charleston Police, Charleston County Sheriff's Office, and SLED responded to the school and conducted a search of the building, and determined it was safe to reenter. The law enforcement investigation is ongoing.

On 5/11 a delegation from the Charleston Police Department including Chief Reynolds, Deputy Chief Thompson, Captain Bruder, and Lieutenant Harrison, came to the school to officially thank the student who notified the school of the bomb threat on 4/28 and present her with a challenge coin as a small token of their appreciation.

Construction Update

CTE and Gym

No updates at this time.

Outdoor Classroom

We met on Monday, May 10, to review the plans for the Outdoor Science Classroom. Construction is beginning in the next couple of weeks. We still do not have OSF (Office of School Facilities) approval yet. The project will hopefully be completed by early August.

JICHS Board of Directors Meeting Dates

2020-21 Board of Directors- 5:30 pm on the third Monday of the month.

8/17/2020, 9/21/2020, 10/19/2020, 11/16/2020, 12/14/2020, 1/25/2021, 2/22/2021, 3/15/2021, 4/19/2021, 5/17/2021, 6/14/2021.

2019-20 Finance Committee- 4:00 pm on the second Monday of the month.

8/10/2020, 9/14/2020, 10/12/2020, **11/10/2020**, 12/7/2020, 1/11/2021, 2/8/2021, 3/8/2021, 4/12/2021, 5/10/2021, 6/7/2021.

Calendar of Events

5/31 Memorial Day 6/7 Finance Committee Meeting 4 pm 6/10 CCSD Lead Meeting 6/14 Board Meeting 5:30 pm 6/18 JICHHS 2021 Graduation at 9:00 am in the Backyard	
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Executive Session (Personnel matters, Contract matters, Privacy of a student, and Legal Counsel)

Meeting Notes

Topic	Notes	Vote
1st Reading of the 21-22 Budget		
New Guidance Counselor Position		
English Position (if needed)		
Math Position (if needed)		
Pe/Strength Coach and Stipend		
Policy Approval- Leave and Absences		
School Improvement and Repairs		