

Principal's Report May 15, 2023

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

Teacher Appreciation Week May 8-12

Ms. Richardson, Ms. Davis, and others planned a special week for the entire staff. There was food every day and kids of gifts and prizes. It takes all 160-plus staff members to make this school run so well.

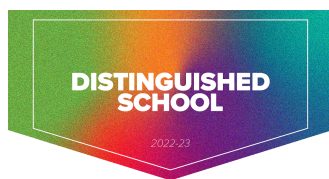
On Monday's schedule, pizza and salad from Paisonos were paid for by **CCSD courtesy of Dr. Eppelsheimer**, Associate Superintendent of High Schools. How about CCSD including us in Teacher Appreciation Week?

[JICHS 2023 Teacher Appreciation Week Schedule](#)

Performing Arts (way to go, Dr. Bowles)- Below is the message we received from SCBDA

On behalf of the South Carolina Band Directors Association, it is my pleasure to congratulate the James Island Charter High School Band on earning the Concert Achievement Award for the 2022-2023 school year. The CAA is the most prestigious award that SCBDA gives each year to South Carolina band programs. Your school's band program performed at a very high level in all SCBDA events including All-State and Region Band, Concert Performance Assessment, and Solo and Ensemble and earned enough points to be recognized as one of the top bands in the state. Thank you very much for your support of the program and helping them to achieve this level of success.

PLTW (aka Dan Krysty)- Below is the message we received from PLTW.



Congratulations on being a PLTW Distinguished School!

We're excited and honored to recognize your school as a 2022-23 PLTW Distinguished School. This recognition means you are empowering students to thrive in an evolving world and achieving exemplary results from your PLTW programs.

Mental Health Week

Thank you to Mrs. Ahrens, Ms. Brandon, Ms. Johnson, and others who helped make our third annual Mental Health Fair another huge success and other activities during Mental Health Awareness Week. The concluded with our third annual Mental Health Fair.

The new Mental Health page lists resources for staff and students. <https://www.ccsdschools.com/domain/4815>

School Pass

Pending CCSD approval.

Cell Phone System and Policy

Pending Leadership Team recommendations.

Enrollment Update

Grade	9th	10th	11th	12th	9-12
6/11/2021	438	383	380	348	1549
6/3/2022	451	405	343	361	1560
8/8/2022	421	421	418	352	1612
9/16/2022	430	412	416	335	1593
10/17/2022	427	411	415	337	1590
11/14/2022	427	410	411	335	1583
12/13/2022	425	412	408	333	1578
1/13/2023	423	410	405	332	1570
2/17/2023	401	423	390	352	1566
3/17/2023	401	422	388	342	1553
4/17/2023	401	419	388	343	1551
5/15/2023	400	417	387	343	1547

TOTAL	1547
CLARK	1
DANIEL JENKINS	0
EARLY COLLEGE	19
PROJECT SEARCH	0
JICHS IN HOUSE	1527

TOTAL:	
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School Choice

Accepted Applications	125
D3 9th grade	261
Current Enrollment 10-12	1176
Total	1562
Waitlist 9, 10, 11, 12 Total	19, 23, 20, 8 70

We are currently getting an influx of District 3 from private schools. We are trying to ensure that we do not exceed our capacity of 1,600 students. We are checking and making adjustments to the waitlist weekly.

Technology Committee Update

1. This year was relatively quiet with regard to individual devices since we replaced our fleet over covid. No major updates here.
2. Chromebooks for the incoming freshman class have been ordered. Our 1 to 1 policy moving forward assigns a new Dell Chromebook device to each incoming freshman that they will be responsible for using for their entire 4 years here at JI. We started this policy with this year's freshman class. Next year will be year 2 of the plan. Next year Juniors and Seniors will receive HP devices that they will not keep.
3. We are completing phase 2 of the WiFi project. This includes adding exterior access points to the main courtyard, the outdoor science classroom and Troy's diner area, and the green space in front of the PAC. Indoor access points will be installed in the common area in the science building, in front of the media center, the common area in the 200 halls near the elevator, and a few other replacements for those that did not get replaced during the first phase. Our plan is to modify some of our wireless names and tweak our guest network. Bringing your own devices is a very large security concern, and our goal is to push the use of school-assigned devices.
4. JI will be upgrading the phone system over the summer. This will be a modern Cisco WebEx voice-over IP system (VoIP) This is going to be a challenging process as we bring a modern system into an environment that still has equipment from the 80s in use. This new technology will offer new WebEx calling features and a more modern voicemail platform that integrates with your laptop. Everyone's phone extension will change.

Human Resources

Current Openings

- Sports Medicine/Health Science Teacher- 2023-2024
- CTE Business Teacher 23-24
- Math Teachers 2023-24
- Science Teacher 2023-24
- Spanish Teacher 2023-24
- Student Concern Specialist 1-year 2023-24

Capital Improvements Projects

Batting Cage and Press Box

- Engineers will submit Design Development Documents (drawings and specs) to Clancy and Wells on May 31st.
- Civil engineer is continuing with the required site submittals.
- Survey and Geotech report will be provided upon receipt.

Science Building Addition.

- The civil engineer is awaiting the TRC plan review with the City of Charleston.
- TRC meeting is scheduled for May 25th.
- All other engineers are moving forward with SD drawings.

Stadium Project

We did a walkthrough of the stadium with Clancy-Wells (CW) and a structural engineer. The engineer will assess the grandstands, providing feedback on ADA compliance issues, structural issues, and estimated life expectancy. CW is going to create an overall plan for the facility, so that can devise a plan to renovate the stadium fully.

[22-23 JCHS Board Meeting Dates](#)

Executive Session (Personnel matters, Contract matters, Privacy of a student, and Legal Counsel)

Meeting Notes

Topic	Notes	Vote
Executive Session- Personnel Issue		