



JICHHS Leadership Team Report

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LEADERSHIP TEAM:

- ❑ The Leadership team is currently focusing on creating a structure for various teams & committees are able to communicate & coordinate their efforts as well as making sure the lines of communication between these groups & leadership is streamlined.
- ❑ Once this structure is in place, it is our plan to work update various strategic plans dealing with safety & security, facilities, technology, athletics, & academic achievement and make sure all objectives & strategies are aligned with our 3 charter goals.

SPECIAL SERVICES:

- ❑ Our wonderful Transition Specialist Ms. Shelly Finley has received funding through Donors Choose to create and run a school-based enterprise. The project funded was \$578, and it will purchase a 10 ounce commercial popcorn machine and most of the items needed to start a small business. This activity will benefit our school because it will help our students with disabilities to accumulate required skills and employment hours to obtain the new South Carolina High School Credential.
- ❑ Ms. Grace Weasley is the newest member of the Special Services Department. She has hit the ground running serving our students and we are so lucky to have her!

ROTC:

AFJROTC Unit SC-922

- ❑ One new face: Colonel Scott Remington, USAFR (Ret), has replaced Lt Colonel Dana Evans as the Senior Aerospace Science Instructor. Col Remington comes to JICHHS with over 30-years of Air Force active duty and reserve experience. He earned his Bachelor of Science degree from the United States Air Force Academy and earned his Master of Aeronautical Science degree from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University. Two of the colonel's sons are JICHHS alumni and alumni of the AFJROTC program--Classes of 2006 and 2007.
- ❑ Plans for this school year are to remain cadet focused, expand the cadet squadron's roster, to conduct a minimum of three community service projects with 60% or better cadet participation, and provide new alternative co-curricular activities for the cadets by second semester with the objective to both garner and hold their motivation to return again year-after-year.
- ❑ Additionally, the unit plans to hold its first overnight field trip in a decade with a trip to Washington, D.C. in the Spring. The unit will host an official inspection in late March of 2020 by AFJROTC HQ which wherein cadets can earn recognition as a "Distinguished Unit" based on the unit's compliance with a myriad of AFJROTC requirements.

FINE ARTS:

- ❑ No new faces but new ROLES in the Performing Arts Staff:
 - ❑ Mr. Chuck Bateman is now teaching it all with a 2 sections of Choir, 2 sections of Piano 1 and 2 sections of Guitar! So happy to have him full-time.

- ❑ Mr. Colt Campbell is back as Band Director but with 10% growth and 60% growth over 2 years, he has created a third performing ensemble! He now teaches 3 sections of Band, 1 section of Jazz Band, 1 section of AP Music Theory, and 1 section of Guitar. The Marching Band is now called the "Pep Band" and you will see them on Friday nights in the stands of The Backyard.
- ❑ Lindsey Jensen is now Mrs. Lindsey Iverson and will be teaching Drama and English again.
- ❑ Piano increased to 150 students which makes it the largest Piano program in the Southeast US! Mrs. Andrea Quinn teaches 2 sections of Piano 1, 2 sections of Piano 2-3H-4H, and 1 section of Strings.
- ❑ Band is hoping to go to Pigeon Forge, TN this spring, Choir & Strings is hoping to plan a spring trip as well!
- ❑ We are in the middle of selecting our 2020 Musical with a few front-runners....STAY TUNED!!!
- ❑ Look for great things to come from our new Performing Arts Department

WORLD LANGUAGES:

- ❑ The World Language Department is offering AP Spanish again! Carmenza Londoño is teaching the class this year and there are currently 16 students enrolled! We are very excited to give students more options for their language studies!

ENGLISH:

- ❑ We are going to overhaul our novel sets to make the authors represent our JCHS culture (Gender/Race/Origin, etc.) for the purpose of fostering more culturally responsive teaching.
- ❑ We are planning to launch a literacy fair this year.
- ❑ We are having a more targeted approach to EOC and ACT review sessions to prep students.