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*To be a parent is to be chief designer of a product more advanced than any technology and more interesting than the greatest work of art.*  
 -Alain de Botton

November 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 Career Declaration Day – Dress In What You Want To Be When You Grow Up 	4
5	6	7 Tentative Date for Dessert Fundraiser Food Pick-Up, 3:30-6:30	8	9	10	11
12	13 Veterans Day Assembly, 9:00 a.m. 	14	15	16  Family Writing Night (and Thanksgiving Dinner), 5:00-7:30	17 No School Teacher Professional Learning Day (Teaching With Love and Logic)	18
20	21	22 End of 1 <sup>st</sup> Trimester 1 <sup>st</sup> Round of Accelerated Readers Points Due!	23 No School Thanksgiving Break	24 No School Happy Thanksgiving! 	25 No School Thanksgiving Break	26
27	28	29	30			

**PowerSchool Parent Portal Registration Reminder:**

- PowerSchool Parent Portal Forms - Parents, you should have received a letter from the school describing the process to sign up for the PowerSchool Parent Portal. We wanted to make sure every parent/guardian had access to the Parent Portal by Monday, August 28th. For those families who have not created a portal and/or filled out all required forms, we will send your password letters again and will also have them available at parent/teacher conferences where we will have you stay just a bit longer to complete the required forms. Please let us know if you are having difficulty filling this out.

**Annual Dessert Fundraiser**

Thank you to everyone who participated in our annual Julesburg Elementary School Dessert Fundraiser. We raised over \$3,000...THANK YOU FOR COMMITTING TO OUR KIDS! This money will go toward field trips, class supplies, after-school clubs, etc. We are currently looking at Tuesday, November 7<sup>th</sup> between 3:30-6:30 for families to pick up their orders. We will continue to communicate with you regarding that date.

## ACCELERATED READER CHALLENGE

It's back with popular demand! We have brought back our Accelerated Reader program and are kicking off our 2023-2024 Accelerated Reader Challenge. The purpose behind this challenge is to build a love of reading and expose students to all types of genres of literature (fiction, nonfiction, poetry, biographies, etc.) while also supporting the area of comprehension and understanding of what they reading. Teachers are preparing our students as we speak for that challenge which includes expectations as well as what they earn as a result of meeting their goals. Here is some information for you as parents/guardians:

### A.R. Requirements:

- Students are expected to read at or above their grade level (or as assigned through IEP or READ/Title Plan), meet their required points, and pass with a minimum of 85% by the end of each trimester.

### A.R. Incentives:

- Students who meet their required points at the end of each trimester will participate in a fun day and an award at the end of each trimester.

### A.R. Rules:

- Tests must be taken at school from 8:00-3:30
- All tests will be taken independently by the student.
- Students must remain on the A.R. site during testing.
- Students can use the A.R. book as the only resource while taking the test if the teacher determines this is appropriate.
- All books must be verified and found in our school library, on EPIC, purchased from our book order, and/or from our Readers Read Book Nook.

### A.R. Incentive Rules:

- Academic dishonesty can result in loss of points and/or school disciplinary action.
- Students who are academically dishonest will not be allowed to participate in the grade level or end of year award for A.R.

### Point Goals by Trimester:

#### K/1st:

- First Trimester - 5 Points
- Second Trimester - 5 Points
- Third Trimester - 5 Points

#### 2nd/3rd:

- First Trimester - 6 Points
- Second Trimester - 6 Points
- Third Trimester - 6 Points

#### 4th-6th:

- First Trimester - 7 Points
- Second Trimester - 7 Points
- Third Trimester - 7 Points

### Reward Levels:

1<sup>st</sup> Trimester Points Earned - Black Lion Award

2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Plus 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester Earned - Purple Lion Award

3<sup>rd</sup> Trimester Plus 2<sup>nd</sup> Trimester Plus 1<sup>st</sup> Trimester - Golden Lion Award and Entry To The "Mane" Event (Surprise Reward)

There is a SURPRISE end of year award for students meeting all three trimester goals. Our students are already excited to find out what that is! We will continue to keep parents informed and will steadily post pictures and updates of those students who have and are meeting their goals. Happy reading!

# Family Writing

## Night



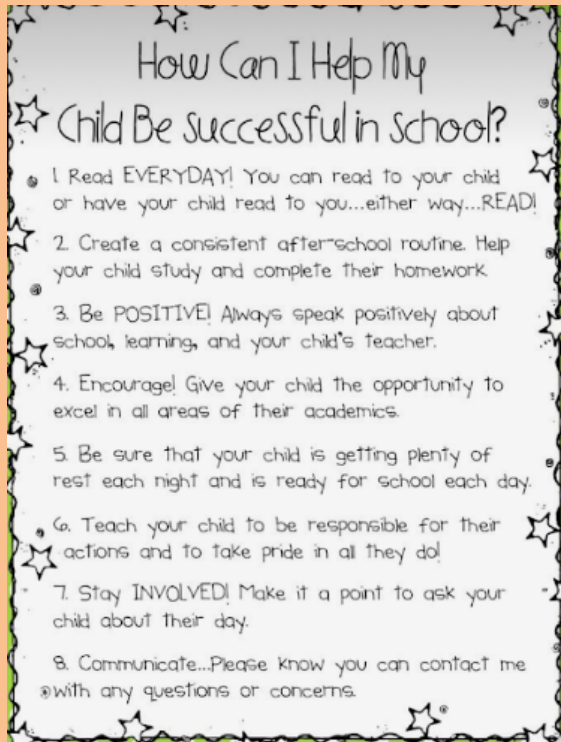
Thursday, November 16<sup>th</sup>

5:00-5:30 - Title Family Meeting

5:30-7:30 - All Families Poetry Night and Thanksgiving Dinner

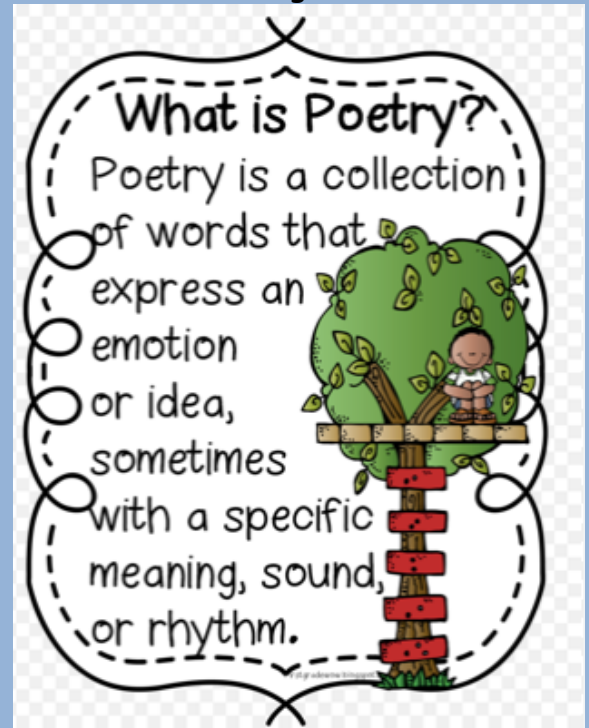
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Title Family Informational Meeting



5:30-6:30

Staff Reader's Theater and Family Poetry Night



6:30-7:00

Family Thanksgiving Dinner, Poetry Share and Door Prizes

Immediately following the poetry activities, a special Thanksgiving Dinner will be served to all families in attendance. Please click on the link or hover your phone camera over the QR Code to RSVP for the evening no later than Monday, November 6<sup>th</sup>.

QR Code for RSVP



Link to RSVP Form:

<https://forms.gle/twyq1Yg1wfgygWB7>

# Communities That Care

After-School Club  
Julesburg School District



## Supplies and Snacks Needed

As you may be aware, the Communities That Care Organization (CTC) has kicked off their project, an after-school program, that takes place at the Julesburg School District on Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 3:30-5:00. This is a free service provided through CTC Coalition funds. It is popular enough that they do have a waiting list for students as the club is full. The funds may only be used to support the staff to facilitate this after-school club. At this time, we are in need of a few items and are looking for donations if possible.

### Supplies Needed

- Construction Paper
- Markers
- Crayons
- Plain Paper
- Paint
- Paint Brushes
- Other Craft Supplies

### Snacks Needed

- Anything nonrefrigerated and Store-Bought
- Graham Crackers
- Regular Crackers, Wheat Thins, Ritz, etc.
- Chex Mix
- Jello or Pudding Cups
- Fruit Snacks
- Cookies