

TRITON WEEKLY

Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish December 17, 2018



TRITON WEEK

For the last week of December before we go on winter break we are having Triton week. This is time to have fun and celebrate the hard work we have put in the first semester of school.

Monday- Wacky holiday sock day

Tuesday– Wacky holiday hat or headband day. Students must be in full Athlos uniform .

Wednesday— PJs and classroom parties day. Kindergarten to 3rd grade can wear their school appropriate pajamas, and 4th to 6th grades can wear a holiday t-shirt with their Athos bottoms. Classroom parties will begin at 2:00 p.m. Please contact your child's/children's teacher for questions. No homemade treats.

Thursday— Ugly holiday sweater day and basketball championship games. Students can wear a school appropriate funny (ugly) holiday sweater. For our last PBIS celebration of the year, students will be able to attend the girls or boys basketball championship games. The games begin at 2:00 p.m. Parents are invited.

Friday—No school for students. Winter break begins. Classes resume January 7, 2019.

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 17th-21st

Triton Week

Dec 21st

Teachers/Staff Professional Development Day—No school for students

Dec 24th—Jan 4th

Winter Break-No school for students and staff

Jan 7th

First day back for students

Jan 15th

Early dismissal 1:30 p.m.

Jan 19th

Super Saturday & Family Engagement Event

Feb 12th

Early dismissal 1:30 p.m.



The mission of Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish is to provide high-quality educational opportunities for the whole child built on the three foundational pillars of <u>Prepared Mind</u>, <u>Healthy Body</u>, and <u>Performance Character</u>.

ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS

PARENT VOLUNTEER CLASSES AND OPPORTUNITIES

The evening class scheduled for tonight at 6:30 p.m. has been rescheduled to January 7, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. For parents who have already taken the class and are looking for volunteer opportunities, please go to the <u>"Miscellaneous Resources" page of the schools'</u> <u>website</u> to sign up. If you have any questions, please contact mrobinson@athlosjp.org.

MOVIE ON THE TURF RECAP

Thank you to all the students and their families who came out for our first Movie on the Turf event. Despite the technical difficulties, the students seemed to have a great time playing with their classmates at the craft tables and the Winter Shoppe. Thank you to the staff and parents who volunteered their time to assist with the event.

Our next event is Super Saturday on January 19th. The theme will focus on the Healthy Body pillar with fitness classes for parents and students, as well as other academic content classes.

ALTERNATIVE MEAL PROGRAM STARTING JANUARY 2019

Beginning in January 2019, we will be implementing an alternate meal program for students not eligible for free or reduced lunches with outstanding negative balances. Negative meal accounts are a cost to the school and take funds away from educational resources. If your student's balance exceeds negative \$15, they will receive a nutritious, alternate meal option until the balance has been paid or a payment plan is in place. Please pay any outstanding balances to ensure continued regular meal service for your student. Checks can be delivered to the front office or payments can be made on the Food and Nutrition Services page of the website. If you wish for your student to no longer participate in the school meal program and to no longer receive school meals, you can fill out the Meal Waiver

Form found on the <u>Food and Nutrition Services page</u>. If you believe you qualify for free or reduced lunches, please fill out an application <u>online</u>. We appreciate your help in reducing the costs of the food service program, so we can continue providing an exceptional education to your student. For any further questions, please call the front office at (504) 290-2510.

YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE ENROLLMENT EVENT

There will be an open enrollment event for before and after school care with the YMCA on December 10th from 4:30 to 6:00 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Before care is 6:15 a.m. to 7:15 a.m. and after care is from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. here at Athlos Academy. For questions or registration information, please contact the Belle Chasse YMCA at (504) 392-9622.

WINTER SPORTS CLINIC

A winter sports clinic will be held on December 22nd for kindergarten through 4th grades. Kindergarten through 2nd grade will attend from 9 am to 11:30 a.m., and 3rd through 4th grade will attend from 12:30 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. The cost is \$15 per student, and families can register at <u>https://tshq.bluesombrero.com/</u> <u>athlosjeffersonid</u>. The clinic will focus on basketball and soccer fundamental skill development. Students should wear sneakers and Athlos apparel and can bring water. For questions, please contact Coach Hayden at <u>nhayden@athlosip.org</u>.

ATHLOS BASKETBALL | GIRLS AND BOYS CHAMPIONSHIP GAME | DECEMBER 20TH, 2:00 PM

The tournament is over and the best two girls and boys teams have been identified. The girls' game will be the purple team vs. the yellow team. The boys' game will be team 5 vs. team 1. The event will start at 2:00 p.m. in the Athlos gym. Parents are invited.

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SPECIAL EDUCATION PARENT **ADVISORY COUNCIL (SEPAC)**

Who We Are

The Special Education Parent Advisory Council (SEPAC) is a group of parents and educators working together to help children with special educational needs at Athlos Academy Jefferson Parish. SEPAC meets throughout the year to provide a forum for parents to provide input on issues concerning students with disabilities, as well as gain valuable information about a variety of topics relevant to parents and families of students with disabilities. We welcome the participation of all parents on an ongoing basis or only when a topic is of interest.

Our Mission and Goals

The Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish Special Education Parent Advisory Committee (SEPAC) works for the understanding of, respect for, and support of all children with special needs in our community.

To that end, the SEPAC will work to:

- Promote a network of parents of children with • special needs in our school and throughout the region and provide a forum to share information
- Provide a series of informational meetings on topics of interest for families of students who receive special education and/or educational support services
- Facilitate communication between parents and • educators of students with special needs
- Promote and support an innovative educational environment where children with special needs have equal access to educational opportunities and a school and community environment where all children are encouraged to reach their full potential

Promote the inclusion of our children with special . needs in extra-curricular activities

When/Where We Will Meet:

- SEPAC will meet the last Thursday of every month • at 6:30 p.m. starting January 31, 2019.
- SEPAC will hold its meetings in the school • cafeteria.

An interest survey will be sent out to parents the week before winter break to generate topics for training.

If you have any questions, please contact Candace Parker, director of student support services, at cparker@athlosjp.org. (Please note: There has been a change in Candace Parker's email address.)



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