

TRITON WEEKLY

Athlos Academy of Jefferson Parish November 12, 2018



Executive Director Announcement

Last week, Mr. Dennis Taylor announced his resignation as executive director of AAJP as of December 31, 2018. He is taking another position with Athlos Academies, our education service provider.

Kiesha Rogers, Westbank resident and member of our leadership team, will be assuming the role of interim executive director beginning January 1, 2019, and a full-scale search for a new executive director will take place for the 2019-2020 school year.

Ms. Rogers earned her bachelor's degree in education at Xavier University of Louisiana. She taught elementary and middle school students in a variety of schools for 10 years before earning her master's degree in educational leadership in 2014. Prior to joining the team at Athlos, Rogers worked as an academic dean and assistant principal for the Jefferson Parish Public School System.

We're appreciative to Ms. Rogers for accepting this role mid-year and confident in her skills and experience based on the contributions she's made to the school thus far. We wish Mr. Taylor all the best and thank him for his service!



Nov 13th

Early dismissal at 1:30 pm

Nov 14th

School ID pictures and retakes. Retakes are \$4.

Nov 15th

Basketball game 4:45 pm

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Parent Engagement—Culinary Event 6:30 pm

Nov 19th-23rd

Thanksgiving Break—NO SCHOOL

Dec 10th—14th

Humility Week

Dec 11th

Early dismissal 1:30 pm

Dec 14th

Family Movie Night on the Turf 6:00 pm



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>.

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FRONT OFFICE CHECK IN

For the safety of all of our students and staff, please present your federal or state ID to the front desk staff when visiting the school for a meeting, conference, or to volunteer. The ID is used to process a background check and print a visitor badge. This must be done every visit without exception. Additionally, visitor badges must be worn until you leave the building. Thank you for helping us keep our students safe!

CULINARY NIGHT | NOVEMBER 15TH, 6:30 PM

Please join us this Thursday in the AAJP cafeteria to participate in a healthy cooking demonstration with Chef Alex Anderson, head chef at Max Well Café on Magazine Street. Chef Alex's culinary focus is centered around health and wellness. She is a recent recipient of the Made in New Orleans scholarship.

The demonstration will focus on a couple of healthy side dishes for the upcoming holiday season. Space is limited to 25 people. If you are interested in attending and sampling the side dishes, please RSVP to Marijohn Robinson at mrobinson@athlosjp.org.

ATHLOS BASKETBALL

Basketball practice will be held on November 14th, and a basketball game will be held on November 15th at 4:45 pm.

BELLE CHASSE YMCA BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE | ENROLLMENT EVENT DECEMBER 10TH, 4:30 PM TO 6:00 PM

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



SAVE THE DATE | WINTER SPORTS

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 am, and 3rd through 4th grade will attend from 12:30 pm to 3:00 pm. More information on registration, which starts November 19th, will be forthcoming. The clinic will focus on basketball and soccer fundamental skill development.

Flag football registration for 5th and 6th grades will open November 15th and run through November 30th. More information on how to register will be forthcoming.

FIRST ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE | SECOND HARVEST OF NEW ORLEANS | NOVEMBER 1ST-16TH

November 1st through November 16th we will be partnering with Second Harvest of New Orleans on the First Annual AAJP Food and Fund Drive.

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According to the Second Harvest website, a can of food equals one pound and \$1 can provide four meals. Therefore, our goal as a school is 2,500 pounds of food.

To help achieve this goal, we are having a competition between classes. The first class to reach 250 pounds of donated food first will win a pizza party on November 30th. The second class to reach 250 pounds of donated food will receive a popcorn party. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Robinson at <u>mrobinson@athlosjp.org</u>.

MORNING INTAKE

To ensure all students arrive on time and safely, we will be making changes to morning intake starting November 26th. Our school day begins at 8:00 am with a morning huddle and an important school-wide announcement. Morning huddle is essential to how we start our day at Athlos. This time is used for students and teachers to focus their thoughts for the day. Fundamental performance character trait lessons are introduced during this time. So, to ensure that our students are prepared and successful for the day, students arriving after 8:05 am will be marked as tardy. Please make every effort to help your child to arrive at school on time.

Driveline procedures must always be followed during morning intake to ensure safety of all Athlos students and parents. Please continue to follow the lanes of traffic around the building, pull to the very end, and drop your student(s) off in the front of building. Parents will not be allowed to drop their student off in the parking lot and have them walk unsupervised across Driveline. When these procedures are not followed, it slows down Driveline. We are also asking that parents only walk their student into the building after 8:05 am. As a reminder, the school office hours are from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm.

KID CAMP | HOLIDAY CAMP

Kidcam Summer and Holiday camps have been providing summer and holiday camps to working parents throughout the state since 1974. They provide flexible, quality camp-care during summers and school holiday breaks so that parents can continue to work with minimal disruption during these times.

Kidcam is currently registering for Thanksgiving and winter break camps at Aurora United Methodist Church, 3300 Eton St., Algiers. This camp is open to all. It is a non-religious camp, as Kidcam Camps only lease the space from Aurora United. During holidays, they offer daily rates. Kidcam accepts children ages 5-13. More information is available at www.kidcamcamps.com or www.kidcamcams.com/ holiday.