



# Thomas Jefferson Patriots

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Dear Thomas Jefferson Families,

On behalf of the very dedicated teachers and support staff of Thomas Jefferson, please allow me to welcome you to a brand new school year.

Our school is home to approximately 475 students (Kindergarten –Fifth grade). We have an outstanding staff and a very dedicated PTO. At Thomas Jefferson School we offer many opportunities for students to grow in their learning. We have a diverse student population and currently have students enrolled in general education, Bilingual and Hearing Impaired programming. Student learning at Thomas Jefferson is a partnership between students, parents and the staff to provide an outstanding educational environment. By working together, our students learn and grow academically, behaviorally and socially.

We realize that successful schools result when a partnership exists between the schools, parents, and the community. Our entire Thomas Jefferson community is committed to ensuring the best possible elementary school experience for all of our children.

We will continue to have a laser-like focus on student growth in order to prepare our students for college and/or career readiness. We hope you visit us and get to know why we are proud to be Patriots!

Sincerely,

Araceli Ordaz  
Principal

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## SCHOOL HOURS/SCHEDULE

The school office is open from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Upon arriving at school, students who ride the bus to school will exit the bus after 8:45 a.m. at the east side of the building. Students who are driven to school are to be dropped off at the designated yellow area on the **west side** of the building. **Supervision of these areas does not begin until 8:45 a.m.**

8:40 a.m.	Students who serve as Patrols should not enter the building until 8:40 a.m. Students who eat breakfast here should not arrive before 8:40 a.m.
8:45 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Students arrive at the school grounds to begin the school day
9:00 a.m.	Students enter the building; classes begin
11:30 a.m.– 12:10 p.m.	Kindergarten Lunch and Recess, Third-Fifth Grade Recess and Lunch
12:15 – 12:55 p.m.	First Grade Lunch and Recess, Second Grade Recess and Lunch
2:50 p.m.	Special Education Bussing Starts
3:10 p.m.	End of the school day; all students dismissed
<b>Early Dismissal</b>	
12:15 p.m.	School Improvement Day Dismissal
10:15 a.m.	Last day of School dismissal

## STUDENTS TRANSPORTED TO SCHOOL BY CAR

Parents driving children to and from school will use only the west parking lot. No cars, vans, etc. are to drive through, park or wait for children in the driveway directly in front of school from 8:30 – 9:05 or from 2:45 – 3:20.

Cars that are transporting students to school should enter the west lot entrance and drop students off at the yellow pole where the supervisor stands. Please do not drive on the yellow striped safe zone. This is a safety zone. Pull your car as far west of the yellow striped safe zone as possible, so that we may unload or load several cars at once.

## WALKERS

Parents are encouraged to review common safety rules for their children who walk to and from school. Children should use sidewalks whenever possible, cross at corners only, obey safety patrol members and go straight to their destination without stopping.

Due to the health and safety risks of having dogs on school grounds, please do not bring your pet(s) when walking your child to school.

***Students that arrive after 9:00 a.m. are tardy and must report directly into the office and sign in.***

## **PROGRAM OFFERINGS**

### **ACADEMIC ENRICHMENT PROGRAM – See District Handbook**

### **BAND AND ORCHESTRA**

Band and Orchestra will be available for fourth and fifth grade students. Fourth graders will form the beginners Band and Orchestra.

### **BILINGUAL**

Bilingual students who have identified needs for this program are served in Kindergarten, First and Second Grade at Thomas Jefferson School.

### **RESPONSE TO INTERVENTIONS (RTI) - See District Handbook**

### **SPECIAL EDUCATION – See District Handbook**

### **TECHNOLOGY – See District Handbook**

### **ADMISSION AND REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS – See District Handbook**

## **ATTENDANCE**

### **REPORTING ABSENCES**

***PLEASE call the school at 815-725-0262 before 9:00 for each day your student is absent.*** A written excuse may also be required. The school will call to verify the absence if a call has not been received. A working phone number is required for each student.

***(If the school is unable to make contact, the student will be considered truant and may be reported to the Joliet Public Grade School District 86 Truancy officer. Repeated occurrences could result in truancy proceedings.)***

Extended vacations are not excused absences; furthermore those missed days will count towards truancy (unexcused absences). Please note the school calendar and schedule vacation dates accordingly.

Class work missed during any absence may be made up after the absence. During an extended illness, work may be sent home. The Homebound Instruction Program is available to any student with a medical certification that the child will be out of school for a length of time.

If a child must be dismissed early, a written request should be sent the teacher. The parent is to come to the office and sign the child out of school. Students will be released only to persons over the age of 18 that are authorized by parent/guardian. Please limit early dismissal to emergencies, so the educational process is not interrupted.

If you are picking up your child after school, please be prompt at 3:10 p.m.

## **TARDINESS**

Students need to be on time to school. Tardiness is disruptive not only to the tardy student, but also to students already present. Reporting to school after the designated time will result in a recorded tardy for the student. Excessive tardiness is reported to the District Attendance Office.

## **TRUANCY- See District Handbook**

## **COMMUNICATION**

### **PHONE**

Please call the school at 1-815-725-0262 any time during school hours if you have a concern or question. **TEACHERS OR STUDENTS** are not allowed to take phone calls during school hours.

### **EMAIL**

In today's modern day, email is sometimes the most effective way to contact one another. Please feel free to contact the teaching staff or principal via email. Email addresses can be found online at <http://www.joliet86.org/directory/>

## **CLASSROOM INTERRUPTIONS**

Classroom interruptions are kept at minimum to protect the learning environment. Students will not be allowed to call home for forgotten work, lunch or instruments. Parents wishing to confer with teachers on the phone are requested to leave their number with the secretary. Teachers are available before class starts and will return calls at their earliest opportunity. Messages will be delivered in emergency situations only. Please make after school arrangements **BEFORE** the child leaves home in the morning instead of calling the school and leaving a message.

## **FOLDERS**

The Jefferson School Communication Folder is a way in which we hope to improve communication between school and home.

Listed are the ways this "Communication Folder" will work:

- 1) All students in grades K-5 will receive a folder from their classroom teacher, who will instruct students on how to use the folder.
- 2) Students will bring home any school communication in this folder each day.
- 3) Parents should send any communication to school in this folder.
- 4) Folders go home nightly and should be returned to school daily. Folders must be carried in a backpack.
- 5) Parents are asked to review the folder each day for pertinent information. Parents and students should create a daily routine so the folder can be reviewed. (On occasion there may be no information.)
- 6) If folders do not come back to school consistently, the classroom teacher will counsel students about their responsibility for the folder. In some cases, the principal may call the parents to see if the folder may be at home or lost.

- 7) If folders are lost, a new one can be purchased for \$1.00. Please keep in mind that there is a limited amount of extra folders, so if a folder can be mended, please do so. New folders will be re-issued for the second semester.

### **DISCIPLINE PROGRAM**

Thomas Jefferson employs a variety of disciplinary measures to ensure a safe educational atmosphere. Students who display undesirable behavior are disciplined to correct such behavior and to help them develop self-discipline. All students are expected to know the school/classroom rules that relate to conduct and discipline because inappropriate behavior disrupts the opportunity to learn.

Four disciplinary principles govern all classroom rules:

- 1) Education is enhanced when student conduct is appropriate. Conduct that is disruptive to the educational process prohibits learning.
- 2) Educational opportunity is a right enjoyed by all students. Conduct that infringes the rights of others is prohibited.
- 3) School rules apply to all students while on school or Joliet 86 property, and/or attendance of a school or Joliet 86 sponsored activity.
- 4) Students will be afforded individual attention in a positive manner.

### **CLASSROOM DISCIPLINE**

Teachers at Jefferson School have their own classroom plans with rules, consequences and rewards. Students will be instructed about these plans during the beginning of the year. If a student behaves contrary to the classroom plan, a **Classroom Referral** will be given to the child. A copy of the referral is retained by the teacher and a copy is sent home with the student to give to the parent. It is the student's responsibility to give this to his/her parent. The parent is asked to review this referral with his/her child and return the referral signed to the teacher. The parent signature lets the teacher know that the student followed through with his/her responsibility of informing the parent. If the referral is not returned signed by the parent, the student will be counseled about his responsibilities and a phone call home may be made.

Grade level/teachers reserve the right to inform parents of changes in discipline procedures throughout the school year as the need arises.

If the student receives four classroom referrals a **School Referral** is issued and the principal will conference with the student and set appropriate consequences for the behavior. Each subsequent classroom referral will result in a School Referral.

### **SCHOOL REFERRAL**

There are three basic rules that all students at Jefferson must follow. These are:

- 1) Don't do anything that could be harmful to you, others or another's property.
- 2) Follow all classroom rules.
- 3) Show responsibility and respect for yourself and others.



These rules are for the entire school day and can be issued by any supervisor of children. Breaking of these rules will result in a School Referral and a conference with the principal. A copy of the referral will be given to the classroom teacher and a copy will be sent home. The principal will determine the appropriate consequences. The following general format will be followed for the number of referrals received:

- 1) Student conference with Principal – email/note/call home
- 2) Student conference with Principal – email/note/call home
- 3) Call home for Parent Conference
- 4) Parent with student Conference at School
- 5) Possible Suspension\*

***\*The principal may suspend a student at any time for any severe behavior.***

The principal will retain an accurate account of the number of School Referrals that a student has and will keep notes on each conference held with the student. Students will be counseled about their responsibility of informing the parent.

### **PLAYGROUND RULES**

No supervision is provided on the playground before 8:45 or after school.

1. Students will show respect for others and follow instructions given by staff
2. Rough play will not be used on the playground
3. When the whistle blows or the bell rings students are to stop what they are doing and line up quickly.

### **EXPECTED PLAYGROUND BEHAVIOR**

1. Students will settle differences peacefully
2. Students will not enter the building until 9:00 a.m. If there is inclement weather, students will enter at 8:45 a.m.
3. Students will stay on their classroom line when they arrive to school grounds.
4. Students will stay out of puddles and mud.
5. Students will leave rocks, bark sticks, and other dangerous objects alone.
6. Students will play only on playground areas, not in the front of the building or along property lines.
7. Students will show pride in their school by keeping the building and ground free of litter.
8. Students will take turns on equipment (e.g., 25 swings on swings)
9. Students will not chew gum and eat anything on the playground.
10. Students will not bring anything outside for recess.
11. During school, students will not leave the playground for any reason without permission from the supervisor.

**SUSPENSIONS – See District Handbook**

**EXPULSIONS - See District Handbook**

**BUS CONDUCT – See District Handbook**

## **PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT**

### **PARENT PORTAL**

A student's progress and assignments may be monitored by parents/ guardians through the **District 86 SISK 12 Parent Portal**. Parents must enroll in order to have access to Parent Portal. Please see the school secretary to fill out the necessary form.

### **PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION (PTO)**

Thomas Jefferson PTO has played an important role in helping to provide a quality education for our students. All parents are encouraged to become an active member. We need you !

The PTO has monthly Board Meetings at Jefferson each month. Monthly meetings are scheduled and all parents are encouraged to attend. Times will be posted in the monthly newsletter and school sign.

**REPORT CARDS AND CONFERENCES – See District Handbook**

### **SCHOOL VISITATION**

To insure a safe learning environment for all students, please be reminded that all visitors must sign in at the main office upon arrival to school and receive a Visitor's Badge. Any items for students should be left in the office for pick up by the teacher or student.

*Parents and other visitors should not go directly to a classroom to make deliveries or to pick up a child.*

## **HEALTH SERVICES**

### **ACCIDENTS**

In the event of an accident or injury, parents will be notified if an injury is evident. Please keep your phone numbers current at school for such an event. An accident report will be kept on file.

### **ILLNESS**

Jefferson School follows District and State guidelines in regards to communicable diseases. If students are attending school and are viewed as being contagious, a parent will be notified and the child sent home.

## **MEDICATION – See District Handbook**

### **NURSE**

A school nurse is assigned to each school. The nurse is on call for consultation or emergency care. Please feel free to call her at JFK, 815-740-3196.

The parent is called and notified if their child has had any serious accident or injury. Please give the current phone numbers or change of employment information to the school in case of emergency.

The nurse reviews the health records and records information on a nurse's record. The nurse will do the follow-up on any special problems noted – this may be physical, dental, needs to be immunized, vision, hearing or nutritional.

The nurse has teacher-nurse conferences and interprets any medical problems that the child might have.

### **GUIDELINES AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE COLD AND FLU SEASONS**

With the arrival of the winter months, comes the arrival of some common illnesses such as colds, sore throats and the flu. The main way illnesses like colds and flu are spread is from person to person in respiratory droplets of coughs and sneezes. This is called “droplet spread.” This can happen when droplets from a cough or sneeze of an infected person move through the air and are deposited on the mouth or nose of people nearby. Sometimes germs also can be spread when a person touches respiratory droplets from another person on a surface like a desk and then touches his or her own eyes, mouth or nose before washing their hands. We know that some viruses and bacteria can live 2 hours or longer on surfaces like cafeteria tables, doorknobs and desks.

#### ***HOW TO STOP THE SPREAD OF GERMS:***

- Cough or sneeze into a tissue and then throw it away. Cover your cough or sneeze if you do not have a tissue. Then clean your hands and do so every time you cough or sneeze.
- Wash your hands with soap and warm water
- When soap and water are not available, alcohol – based disposable hand wipes or gel sanitizer may be used. You can find them in most supermarkets and drugstores. If using gel, rub your hands until they get dry. The gel doesn't need water to work; the alcohol in it kills the germs on your hands.
- Avoid close contact with people who are sick. When you are sick, keep your distance from others to protect them from getting sick too.
- If possible, stay home from work, school, and errands when you are sick. This will prevent others from catching your illness.
- Consider getting a flu shot.

#### ***SYMPTOMS OF FLU:***

- Fever

- Headache
- Extreme Tiredness
- Dry cough
- Sore Throat
- Runny or Stuffy Nose
- Muscle Aches
- Stomach symptoms, such as nausea, vomiting, and diarrhea, also can occur, but are more common in children than adults.

## **SCHOOL INFORMATION AND PROCEDURES**

### **ARTICLES PROHIBITED AT SCHOOL**

Certain items are prohibited at school at all times. At no time should items with a violent theme be brought to school. These include: pocket knives, sling shots, toy guns and any item which could be viewed as a weapon. These will be confiscated immediately. These are grounds for suspension or expulsion. Please refer to the District Handbook for more information.

Items of value such as money, jewelry, electronic games or other personal property should not be brought to school. The school bears no responsibility if these items are stolen or lost on school property. These items will be taken from the student and placed in the office. Parents can pick these items up at the office before the end of the school year. ***These items are disposed of after the last day of school.***

### **BREAKFAST PROGRAM**

New this year, all District students are eligible to receive one free breakfast each school day. Breakfast is only available at Thomas Jefferson by pre-ordering on a form provided each month for the following month. Forms will be in your child's Communication Folder the last week of every month for the next month. Breakfast is only available by ordering in advance. Please feed your child before sending them to school if you have not pre-ordered.

The Breakfast program will run each day from 8:40 a.m. until 9:00 a.m. The program ***must*** end promptly at 9:00 a.m. in order for students to be in class on time.

### **LUNCH PROGRAM**

Children may bring sack lunches or receive a free hot lunch provided by District 86. New this year, all District students are eligible to receive one free lunch each school day. A student wishing to purchase a second lunch may do so for \$2.00 each.

Milk is **not** free for students who bring a sack lunch. Milk can be purchased for \$.35.

Lunch can be ordered on a daily or weekly basis. Once a lunch is ordered by a student a lunch is reserved for him/her. Each student has their own individual account that is accessed by their student I.D. Card. There are **no** family accounts.

Each student has a twenty (20) minute lunch and a twenty (20) minute recess.

**No glass bottles or aluminum cans are allowed in the lunchroom.**

### **BICYCLE RIDING**

Due to safety concerns bicycle riding is not permitted.

### **BIRTHDAY TREATS**

Classrooms ***do not hold*** birthday parties for students. Only individually sealed commercially packaged items will be disbursed as treats to students, at the end of the school day. ***Drinks will not be distributed. Cakes and home baked items are not permitted due to food allergies.***

### **CELL PHONES**

Students **should not** bring cell phones to school. Students **cannot** use them on school grounds or on school busses. If there is a special circumstance that requires the student have a cell phone, the parent/guardian must gain permission from the principal. If permission is granted, the cell phone must be given to the school office upon arrival to school and must be picked up at the end of the school day.

### **CHANGE OF ADDRESS AND TELEPHONE**

Parents are to report their new address or phone changes to the school office immediately. The School needs this information to notify parents in the event of an emergency.

### **DRESS CODE**

It is important that students take pride in their appearance. Appropriate school attire reflects pride in self and school and enhances self-image and conduct. Students are expected to dress and be groomed neatly in clothes that are appropriate for school. The following guidelines are in effect:

- 1) Hats, headgear, gloves, coats/ jackets are not to be worn in the building.
- 2) Clothing that advertises or promotes alcohol, tobacco, drugs, gangs or other inappropriate products are not permitted.
- 3) No clothing with abusive, vulgar language printed on the clothing is allowed.
- 4) Clothing must cover the person from shoulders to mid thigh.
- 5) Transparent, sleepwear, showing of underwear or strapless clothing is not permitted.
- 6) No gang related clothing or jewelry is not permitted.
- 7) Shoes must be worn at all times. Flip-flops have caused serious injury on the playground and therefore are strongly discouraged.
- 8) Boys may not wear earrings.

### **FIELD TRIPS**

During the year classes may take field trips within and outside the district as part of their curricular activities.

All trips are pre-approved by the district Assistant Superintendent of Curriculum and Instruction and the building principal. Transportation may be on a school bus or on foot. Fees may be assessed for these trips.

**NO** Student is allowed to go on a field trip without written consent of the parent or guardian. ***Students who have not paid student fees or have repeated discipline problem in school will not be granted permission to accompany their class on such trips.*** Adult chaperones will assist teachers on such trips.

### **HOMEWORK POLICY**

Each student will have a homework sheet or assignment book. Most teachers will send the homework sheet home in the Communication Folder on Monday. Assignment books are provided for older students. Please encourage and monitor your child in completing homework.

### **LOST AND FOUND**

A lost and found box is maintained in the school. If your child has lost an article, please have them check the lost and found box. It is helpful if all clothing is labeled. All unclaimed items are donated to charity at the end of the year.

### **MONEY**

Students are discouraged from carrying more money than what is needed to buy breakfast or milk for lunch. If large sums of money are discovered, the money will be kept in a secure location and the parents will be contacted. The District will not accept personal checks after May 1<sup>st</sup>.

### **PROMOTION/RETENTION - See District Handbook.**

### **RECESS**

Students will go outside for recess even in winter. Students will not go out for recess when the temperature is below 20°. In cold weather, please make sure that your student has a warm coat, gloves/mittens, hat, scarf, snow boots and snow pants. Only students with snow boots and snow pants may play in the snow.

If your child cannot go out because of recent illness, we must have a doctor note stating why he or she cannot participate in outdoor recess. If a note is not received, the student is expected to participate in outdoor recess. Students are expected to interact in a way that is safe and socially positive. Students, who demonstrate inappropriate behavior during recess, will be placed in an alternative recess setting at the discretion of the supervisor.

### **RELIGIOUS OBJECTIONS**

Particular religious beliefs sometimes conflict with state or school policies and procedures. In order for a child to be excused from such policy, a written note stating the religious objection must be on file in the principal's office.

At Jefferson school students stand and recite the, “Pledge of Allegiance” to the flag and peace pledge. Various holidays such as Halloween, Christmas and Valentine’s Day are celebrated with small room parties. In order to be excused from these types of activities, an excuse must be on file.

### **SAFETY**

All school doors are kept locked to prevent intruders from entering the building. This is done for the safety of all children and staff. Police will be notified if an intruder appears to be a threat.

### **SCHOOL BUS SAFETY – See District Handbook**

### **STUDENT PICK UP POLICY**

In order to assure the safety and well-being of your child, parents must provide the school with current names and phone numbers of those adults who may pick their children up from school. Anyone picking up a child from school who is not currently listed on the child’s registration **will not** be able to have the child released to him/her.

### **STRANGER DANGER**

Perhaps the most important way parents can protect their children is to teach them to be wary of potentially dangerous situations – this will help them when dealing with strangers as well as with known adults who may not have good intentions. Help children recognize the warning signs of suspicious behavior, such as when an adult asks them to disobey their parents or do something without permission, asks them to keep a secret, asks children for help, or makes them feel uncomfortable in any way. Also tell your children that an adult should never ask a child for help, and if one does ask for their help, teach them to find a trusted adult right away to tell what happened.

### **SCHOOL SAFETY PATROL**

The patrols are on the corners twenty (20) minutes before the opening of school. No child should come to school before this time. The patrols are also there to help the students cross at the close of the afternoon sessions. All children should obey the patrols. The crossing guards are the City of Joliet Patrol Supervisors. The following corners are covered by the patrol: Glenwood and Hennessy, Glenwood and Tana, Hennessy and Caddy Lane.

### **SCHOOL CLOSING**

Every family is issued a magnetic school calendar. If school is going to be closed for a holiday or institute, the calendar will note this closing. School newsletters are also sent home throughout the school year indicating these closings. Calendars are in each student’s communication folder showing these dates. In the event of a Snow Storm, school may be closed. If weather conditions result in the closing of school you can check our district web site [www.joliet86.org](http://www.joliet86.org) or listen to one of the following Joliet radio stations for the information.

#### **AM STATIONS**

<b>WJOL</b>	<b>1340</b>
<b>WJRC</b>	<b>1510</b>

#### **FM STATIONS**

<b>WCCQ</b>	<b>98.3</b>
<b>WLLI</b>	<b>97.0</b>
<b>WJTW</b>	<b>93.5</b>

The District also has a phone notification system that will contact you by the primary phone number you have given to us.

**SCHOOL FEES** – See District Handbook

#### **SCHOOL INSURANCE**

Accident insurance is offered to all students. The school makes available this policy, which will pay a part of the expense incurred in accident cases. One type of insurance offers 24 hour protection. A copy of this plan made by the company for various injuries is attached to the envelope.

If an accident occurs, the parent whose child is injured and insured receives an insurance claim form from the school. It is partially filled out by the school and completed by the doctor. All bills should be made out to the parents. The claim and statement are sent to the insurance company by the parent.

Insurance is not required of the student. We offer this as assistance in cases of an unavoidable accident.

#### **SCHOOL PARTIES**

The PTO provides refreshments for three parties a year. These are Halloween, Christmas, and Valentine's Day. Room mothers plan the parties.

**\*NO** home baked items will be given to students. Only sealed commercially packaged items will be given to students due to health concerns.

We also ask that parents not send any items for class distribution unless specifically contacted by the room mother. If items are sent, they will be sent back with the student who brought them.

#### **SCHOOL PICTURES**

All children have their pictures taken individually at the beginning of the school year. Buying school pictures and the yearbook are optional.

#### **SOLICITATION BY STUDENTS**

No students shall sell articles or chances of any type in the school during school hours.

#### **TEXTBOOKS AND SUPPLIES**

Basic textbooks and supplementary books are provided to each student by the School District. Books are expensive. Each child must have a tote bag or backpack to carry books



back and forth for book protection. If this is followed at all times, the life of the book is prolonged.

Children are responsible for bringing their own supplies to school. Borrowing or loaning of school supplies is discouraged.

### **RULES OF JURISDICTION**

The jurisdiction of school conduct includes all of the following; the transportation of students to and from school, whether by bus, by other vehicles, or by walking; and the school sanctioned activities that occur both on and off campus. The school staff will diligently manage and supervise student conduct in all programs, maintaining the confidence of students and parents.

### **RIGHTS RESERVED STATEMENT**

The provisions of this publication are not to be regarded as an irrevocable contract. The administration reserves the right to modify, revoke or add to any or all regulations at any time.

## 2013-2014 HANDBOOK and SUPPLEMENT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I have read and discussed the student handbook and supplement with my parents.

I agree to cooperate fully with the administration, teachers, supervisors, and all adults working for our school.

I will strive to conduct myself in an appropriate manner reflecting credit to my parents, my school, and myself.

I realize the sacrifice that my parents are making to give me an education and will strive to do my best this coming year.

I further realize that the consequence for any continuous violation of any of the school rules will result in a conference between parents, teachers, the principal, and me.

I fully understand the rules for behavior on the bus. I realize bus privileges may be revoked due to my failure to comply with the regulations for bus behavior.

I and my parents are aware of the bus behavior expected of me and we acknowledge that failure to comply will result in my parents having to make alternate transportation decisions.

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Student's Signature

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Grade

**PARENT(S):** We have discussed this handbook and supplement with our children and have made them aware of their responsibilities and privileges while attending school.

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Parents' Signatures

(Please remove this page from the handbook and return it to the classroom teacher)

## **JOLIET DISTRICT 86 SCHOOL CALENDAR**

### **2013**

Institute Day – No School for Students	August 15 & 16
1 <sup>st</sup> Day of School	August 19
Labor Day – No School	September 2
School Improvement Day – No PM Class for Students	October 4
Columbus Day – No School	October 14
Institute Day – No School for Students	November 1
Parent/Teacher Conferences – No School for Students	November 8
Veterans Day – No School	November 11
Thanksgiving Day, Day Before, and Following – No School	November 27 – 29
School Improvement Day – No PM Class for Students	December 13
Last Day of Classes before Winter Break	December 20

### **2014**

Classes Resume	January 6
Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School	January 20
Parent/Teacher Conferences – No School for Students	January 31
Presidents' Day – No School	February 17
Casimir Pulaski Day – No School	March 3
Spring Break – No School	March 24 – 28
No School	April 18
No School	April 21
School Improvement Day – No PM Class for Students	May 23
Memorial Day – No School	May 26
Last Day of School (Tentative)	May 30
Emergency Days (If Needed)	June 2 – 6