Good evening Jones Futures Academy Parents/Guardians,

Thank you for a great turnout for TSI testing! We need your assistance for tutorials. Tutorials are an additional support for our scholars. Tutorials are held on Saturday from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. We only have 8 more instructional weeks prior to the **STAAR EOC December retest**. STAAR EOC is a graduation requirement for highschool. Please feel free to contact me at Nlim@houstonisd.org or Ms. April Coleman, April.Coleman@houstonisd.org., if you have any additional questions pertaining to tutorials.

If you were unable to attend our Title I Parent Meeting, please refer to the powerpoint. We will hold Title I Parent Meetings on the following dates:

- 10/28/2021 5:30 PM
- 10/29/2021 8:30 AM
- 11/18/2021 5:30 PM
- 1/27/2022 8:30 AM
- 1/28/2022 5:30 PM
- 2/24/2022 8:30 AM
- 2/25/2022 5:30 PM

Please see attachment for our **SIP** as well.

PTO information

The next PTO Meeting will be in-person on Oct. 8, 2021 @ 3:45pm. We will conduct elections and develop the Annual PTO Event Calendar and Budget. This meeting is very important to the successful year of fun and volunteer work of the PTO. PTO Membership applications will be available in the front office for any interested parents. Please see the attached agenda from 9/30/2021.

WrapAround Services

El Centro de Corazon

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month! El Centro offers free mammograms to females 40+ that qualify and don't have medical insurance. Please contact 713-660-1880 to set up an appointment.

www.elcentrodecorazon.org

JobNet

Please see the JobNet October calendar attached for more information on free workshops and computer training. JobNet is open to the public and to get started you just need to attend an orientation on Friday at 10:00 am. Bring your resume and ID if attending.

October Food Fair

Please see attachment

Parent Portal

Parents who already have a Parent Portal account associated with their students can login, update their contact information and sign the necessary forms. Parents that are new to HISD or who do not have parent portal accounts set up their account by following the <u>How-to videos on this page</u>. Reminder: All new parents will need their Student Access IDs to associate their student's information to their account. Those IDs and student letters are available on the Access Accounts to screen in HISD Connect.

Virtual Credit Recovery (due to failing grades)

Virtual Credit Recovery (due to failing grades) will begin in the upcoming week. Ms. Thomas will notify all students that must attend. Virtual Credit Recovery may be facilitated by Jones Futures Academy faculty or OnTime. It is essential if he or she has been contacted for credit recovery, that they attend to get back on track for graduation. For more information, please contact Ms. Thomas at bthomas 3@houstonisd.org.

SAT/PSAT Testing Information

Wednesday, October 13 (8:30 AM)

- 9th Grade: PSAT Testing
- 10th and 11th Grade: PSAT/MNSQT (This is the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test for 11th grade)
- 12th Grade: SAT testing for eligible 12th graders

Please visit the <u>College Board website</u> for more information about the PSAT and SAT. Scholars are encouraged to complete practice on <u>Khan Academy's Official SAT Practice website</u>. When scholars link their College Board account with Khan Academy, a free personalized SAT test preparation plan is developed just for them. Scholars who utilize Khan Academy's SAT can qualify for scholarships from the College Board. Scholars in College Readiness courses should have a Khan Academy account.

Absences/Tardy/No Grade(*NG)

The Texas Education Code requires that a student be in attendance for 90% of the days a class is offered during a semester in order to be awarded credit for that class (TEC 25.092). Additionally, HISD states that students with three or more unexcused absences in any credit course will have their credit withheld and an asterisk (*NG) will appear on the student's report card. Excessive absences will lead to denial of the credit regardless of a passing grade. We want to ensure that all scholars are successful, please help ensure that our scholars arrive at 7:50 a.m. After 3 or more tardies (after 8:00 a.m.) in a week, detention will be issued. Scholars who must make up seat time due to excessive absences must attend attendance recovery to restore credit. For more information, please contact Ms. T. Johnson at tjohnso6@houstonisd.org.

Reminders

- August 23-October 1: 1st Week Grading Cycle
- October 8, 2021: Report Card Date

We strive to ensure that parents/guardians are involved at JFA, please feel to e-mail, contact me at (713)733-1111, or my Google number (832)942-8407. Please leave a message with your name, scholar's name, and call back number, thank you. Take care and stay safe!



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