



# Jefferson Middle School

A National School of Excellence  
A SMART Showcase "Elite" School

In partnership with our parents and community, we are committed to connecting students to their

**JMS Mission:** futures through academic excellence,



## Jaguar Journal

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### General News

If you need to receive this information in Spanish, please reply by email.

Si necesitas recibir esta información en Español, favor de responder por el correo electrónico.

#### ⚠ Attention Parents

If you ever have any announcements that you would like to go out in the Jefferson Journal, please send them to Sandra Sondgeroth @ [sondgesa@u4sd.org](mailto:sondgesa@u4sd.org).

#### Clubs

##### ⇒ Tutoring Time (Homework Club)

Tutoring Time is on Tuesday & Thursday from 2:35p-4:00p in the cafeteria. Students may come to work on homework or assignments with teacher support.



##### ⇒ Art Club

Art Club is every Thursday. If you like Art come to the Art Room from 2:45-3:30. Art Club will meet on Thursdays this year. You can come to Art Club any Thursday you have time.

##### ⇒ Chess Club

Chess club is every Friday from 2:35 - 3:35 in room 608 with Mrs. Cook.

##### ⇒ Gay Straight Alliance

The Jefferson Gay-Straight Alliance meets every Friday in the music room from 2:45-3:30. Also, they will again participate in CU Pridefest on Saturday, September 16th. They will have an information booth and march in the parade.

#### The Art Connection: Schools to Library



On Sunday September 24th from 3:30 - 4:40 celebrate a new exhibition in the Champaign Public Library's "The Art Connection: Schools to Library" series with kids, teens, and art teachers from three Champaign schools: Centennial High School (Stacey Gross), Jefferson Middle School (Scott Fernsberg), and Carrie Busey Elementary School (John Odum). The exhibition is on display in two areas. Be sure to visit both the children's area on the first floor and the FriendShop Bookstore (elevator to lower level). On display through December.

#### Principal's Scholars Program (PSP)



##### MIDDLE SCHOOL LEVEL COURSES

###### STEM IN FILMMAKING: The Science of Media. (6th Grade Only)

Science is testing an idea. We imagine something based on what we already know, we ask ourselves questions about what we don't know, or we ask "what if" and then we test it. Filmmaking is no different. Students will learn different aspects of media technology as it applies to math and science. The student will explore cartoons and math, flipbook animation and layers, lighting and temperature, audio and frequency, and much more. During this process students will produce several short films.



###### EXPLORE PHENOMENA: Math & Science Project Connections. (7th Grade only)

Students will explore, create, and test outcomes of innovative projects while building a solid foundation in math & science. In this course, students will build a fundamental understanding of various scientific phenomena through engaging projects. These projects will engage students by using math concepts to analyze real-life scientific phenomena, such as electricity, heat, and the laws of motion. After this course, students will understand the nature of various scientific phenomena and how math is used to describe them.



###### SEEING IS BELIEVING: Bio-Inspired Robotics (8th Grade Only)

Human or Robot? Why do we see? How do we hear? What does it mean to smell? Learn how nature evolved to observe its environment and how engineers and scientists today mimic nature in robotics, computer science, technology, etc. This course will delve into the science of the senses and bio-inspired robotic designs.

See your grade level counselor for more information.

#### Fundraiser

The Jefferson Dance Team and Mr. Carlisle have teamed up to sell Biggby Coffee to help raise money for the Dance Team and the re-surfacing of the back basketball court located on the west side of the building. Bags of Biggby's Best and Hazelnut are \$10 a bag. Please email Mr. Carlisle if you are interested in purchasing coffee to help us meet our goals. We will be selling coffee until October 6th. Thank you for your support.



#### Illinois Space Day



Join Illinois Space Society at the University of Illinois for an Out of this World day!

*When:* October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017

*Where:* Digital Computer Lab, 1304 W Springfield Ave, Urbana, IL 61801

*Registration Deadline:* September 15th

#### Brief Agenda

Event	Time
Registration and Welcome	8:30 am
Hybrid Rocket/JetCat or Liquid Nitrogen Demonstrations	9:30 am
Exhibit Rounds	10:45 am
Lunch/Optional Student Panel	12:00 pm
Guest Speaker	12:30 pm
Egg Drop Build/ Competition	1:30 pm



**Questions?** Contact [iss.ae.illinois@gmail.com](mailto:iss.ae.illinois@gmail.com)

You can register at this link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScykJfS81BCGEIb\\_AT3TdvuJ-zwt8qywtJcj62OzrCHECWpq/viewform?c=0&w=1](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLScykJfS81BCGEIb_AT3TdvuJ-zwt8qywtJcj62OzrCHECWpq/viewform?c=0&w=1)

#### 6th Grade Upcoming Field Trips

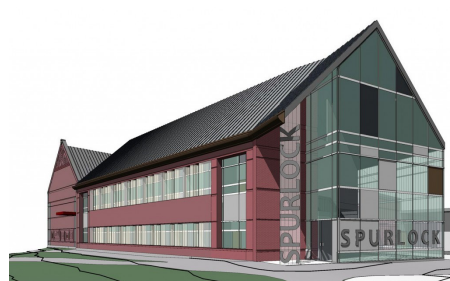
##### Pond Field Trip

The 6th graders are going to Homer Lake for their annual Pond Field Trip.

The Leaders are going Thursday, September 28.

The Legends are going Friday, September 29.

Students please remember to turn in your permission slips to your science teacher.



##### Spurlock Field Trip

6th grade students will soon be going on a field trip to Spurlock Museum! Legends students are going on October 12th and Leaders students are going on October 13th. We are still looking for additional parent chaperons. Please email [cookyu@u4sd.org](mailto:cookyu@u4sd.org) or [deakinda@u4sd.org](mailto:deakinda@u4sd.org) if you would like to attend!

