

# The Jarrett Report

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## USJ Elections



**Mayor**

Marcus Strickland



**Judge**

Jackie Guifarro



**Park Commissioner**

Allyson Gomez-Rosales

# USJ 2018-2019 Government



**Dir. of public Relations**

Keyonia Dunston



**Dir. of public Outreach**

Charlie Lefler



**Park Board**

Connor Smith, Luis Basaldua, Marcus Caldwell & Anden Strickland



**City Council**

Monica Mekael, Sarah Thacker , Isaac Lee, Anhuar Ramos-Cortes, Sam Strelec & Riley Simmons (not pictured)

## Elections

This was an incredible election week. The campaigning was so strong that it was very difficult to determine a strong leader in any race. I was pleased with the efforts by the strong campaigners. I explained to the children that not everyone can win the election; but that this was a social studies project and their level of participation would greatly effect their social studies grades. I was very proud of all of them.

2.02 Describe the similarities and differences among the local, state, and national levels of government in the United States and explain their legislative, executive, and judicial functions.  
1.01 Describe the absolute and relative location of major landforms, bodies of water, and natural resources in the United States and other countries of North America.

## First Week

I was extremely pleased with the first week of school. The class is very well behaved and excited about learning. I am very excited to see what we can accomplish this year.

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## Agenda

Each year I am thrilled the moment the agenda is complete. I was very pleased with the wonderful entries in the cover contest The front cover was designed by Monica Mekael and the back cover was designed by Riley Simmons.



## USJ Shirt

This week the students will be designing t-Shirts to be voted on and worn each Friday to show our USJ unity. **Shirts can't be ordered** until all of the money is completely collected. **The cost of the shirt will be \$12.00.** Please indicate the size needed for the shirt. This allows us to have 2 colors printed on the front of the shirt. If anyone could help out with the cost of an additional shirt for those children in need of assistance it would be greatly appreciated. If sending a check please make it out to DRES.

## Autobiographies

The children did an awesome job on the autobiographies. We have listened to or viewed most of them. I am very impressed with the literary voices of many of these children! I have learned a great deal about the children from these projects. There were many exceptional autobiographies that were turned in. I am very excited about the year!

## Math

Last week the children worked on graphing bar graphs and line graphs showing change over time. This week they will be working on a mini group project collecting data and creating a data table and graphs to display and share their findings with the class. Ask your child what their group is researching.

They also learned about stem and leaf graphs. I use stem and leaf graphs in my newsletters to help you see how your child is performing with their peers in math. I have told the children that they are to explain to you how to read the graph.

Friday Math Test	
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6	00000000
5	000
4	0000
3	0

**Students may rework any missed problem on a separate sheet of paper for credit.**

They must write an explanation as to why they made the error for each problem. I look very favorably upon those that redo work they have made error on. All students received their math test on Friday in hopes they would make corrections over the weekend.

## Spaghetti Lunch

The first invention that students are to create is a device to eat spaghetti with other than the everyday utensils. We will be eating our lunch on Friday August 24th.

I am very excited to see the creative genius of this group of children. Suggestion: Wear something that spaghetti stains won't show or wear a bib!

## Language Arts - EL

We will be starting EL this week. The children are to be reading an additional book at home/school that deals with Human Rights. I will be sending you a homework guide for the reading journal/Vocab Journal. I am feeling my way through this process so hopefully we can find a happy medium. There is nightly homework in EL. Some nights it deals with answering questions from the day's reading, other days it deals with independent research reading on the topic of Human Rights. There are multiple books on my Google Wish List that would be awesome for them to read. Order one for your child to read & then donate do others can read as well. That would be greatly appreciated.

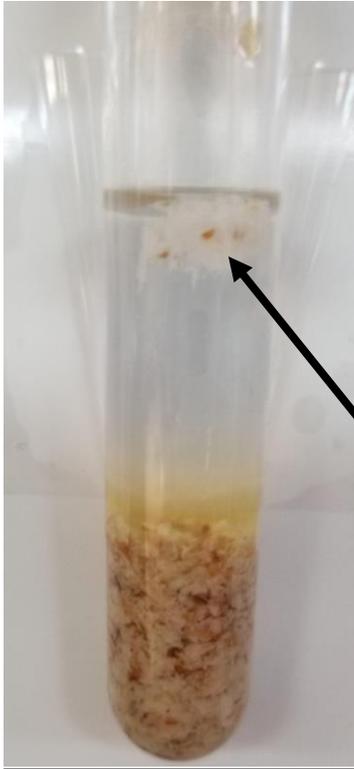
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## Science

This past week we worked on Genetics and DNA. We did several activities such as determining & graphing personal traits, looking at how traits move through generations, creating a dog using DNA strips and on Friday we extracted DNA from Wheat Germ!



Wheatgerm  
DNA  
strands are  
floating at  
the top!

1.01 Describe and compare several common ecosystems (communities of organisms and their interaction with the environment).

## Up Coming Events

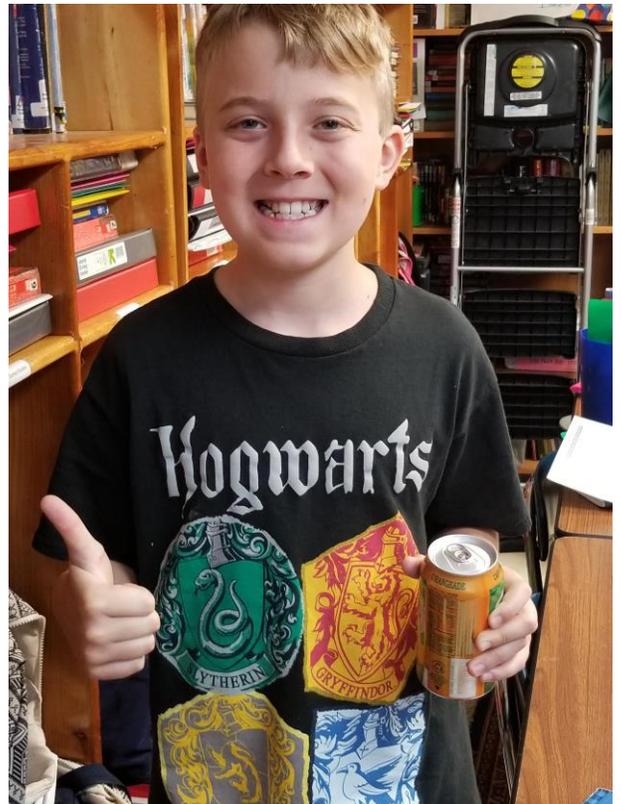
- **August 7<sup>th</sup> - T-Shirt Design Contest**
- **August 10<sup>th</sup> - I-Dent-a -Kid Photos**
- August 17<sup>th</sup> - Early Release
- August 23<sup>rd</sup> - Spaghetti Inventions Due
- August 24<sup>th</sup> - Spaghetti Lunch 1:15
- September 3<sup>rd</sup> - Labor Day No School
- September 28<sup>th</sup> - Early Release - Track Out Day

\*Please note that I update this list weekly. There are many tests not listed yet, because I am not exactly sure where they will fall until we get closer to the date. \* Every Friday we have a math 4- Today Test & a Science vocabulary test. Every Thursday we have a Greek & Latin test. I do not list this routine type of testing in the upcoming events.

## NEEDED

[https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/YORM3HTB6IGY/ref=nav\\_wishlist\\_lists\\_2](https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/YORM3HTB6IGY/ref=nav_wishlist_lists_2) Please note that the books on this wish list are books that we would really love for 1<sup>st</sup> quarter. The new curriculum suggests these titles and they would be awesome, just no money in budget to get them. 1 or 2 copies of each title is what I am aiming for to share with the children. This quarter all books deal with human rights in a variety of settings.

- Soda for Math Tests
- Crickets for reptiles



**1<sup>st</sup> 100% on Math Test!**