



J.P. CASE

MIDDLE SCHOOL

 *Home of the Tigers* 



Leadership



Integrity



Citizenship



Compassion

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Dear J.P. Case Middle School Families,

On behalf of our entire faculty, it is my pleasure to welcome you to the 2026–2027 school year at **J.P. Case Middle School, Home of the Tigers!** We hope your family has enjoyed a wonderful summer filled with opportunities to relax, recharge, and spend time together. We are excited to welcome both returning and new families as we begin another outstanding year of learning, growth, and achievement.

Middle school is one of the most exciting and influential periods in a child's development. During these years, students grow academically, socially, emotionally, and personally as they begin discovering their interests, strengths, and passions. At J.P. Case, we recognize the tremendous responsibility we have in helping students navigate this important stage while providing a safe, engaging, and supportive learning environment where every child can thrive.

A successful middle school experience is built upon a strong partnership between home and school. Parents and guardians play an essential role in their child's education, and we value the trust you place in us each day. Throughout the year, we encourage open communication between families and our teachers, counselors, and administrators. Working together allows us to celebrate successes, address challenges early, and ensure every student receives the support they need to reach their full

potential. We encourage families to stay connected through our school website, Genesis Parent Portal, and regular communication from teachers, counselors and the main office.

One of the initiatives that continues to define our school culture is our **Tiger Honor Cord Program**. This program recognizes students who consistently demonstrate outstanding character and service by earning digital badges in four important areas: **Leadership, Citizenship, Integrity, and Compassion**. Students earn these badges by taking action in activities and demonstrating behaviors that bring honor to themselves, their families, our school, and the greater community. Students who successfully earn all four digital badges during their time at J.P. Case will receive the prestigious **Tiger Honor Cord**, which they will proudly wear during their 8th Grade Promotion Ceremony. We encourage every student to embrace these opportunities and strive to become positive leaders both inside and outside of the classroom. I encourage you to visit our website [here](#) for more information.

We are also excited to welcome families into our building for several important events during the opening weeks of school.

Our **Sneak Peek** will be held on **Tuesday, August 25, from 3:00–5:00 PM**. Students and their families are invited to walk through the building, locate classrooms, and become familiar with our school environment. We hope this opportunity helps everyone feel comfortable and excited for the year ahead.

Our annual **Back-to-School Night** will be held on **Monday, September 14**.

- **7th Grade Families:** 5:45 PM – 6:30 PM
- **8th Grade Families:** 6:50 PM – 7:35 PM

(Please see our Back- to- School Night schedule included in this correspondence.)



During Back-to-School Night, our outstanding **J.P. Case PTO** will also be hosting a **community clothing drive**. We encourage families to consider donating gently used clothing and other appropriate items to support this worthwhile cause. Your generosity helps strengthen our community while modeling compassion and service for our students.

Athletic Update - Pay to Play increase: For the upcoming school year, the district will be increasing the participation fees for students who take part in sports or clubs. The new fees will be as follows:

- **\$200 per student, for each sport**
- **\$100 per student, for each club**

As we prepare to welcome our Tigers back into the building, I want to thank you for your continued support of J.P. Case Middle School. It is truly a privilege to work alongside such dedicated families, talented educators, and remarkable students. Together, we will continue to foster an environment where students are challenged academically, supported emotionally, and encouraged to become respectful, responsible, and compassionate young adults.

We cannot wait to see our students fill the hallways once again and begin another incredible year of learning, friendships, and unforgettable experiences.

We are honored to announce our new team members to J.P. Case this year.

8th Grade LA - Mr. Jacob Fontaine

8th Grade Special Ed (Science & ICS) - Mrs. Katie Hecht

Special Education LLD - Mrs. Jessica Hernandez

7th Grade Special Ed (Math & ICS) - Amy Allen

World Language - **TBA**

Thank you for being an important part of the J.P. Case family. Here's to a fantastic 2026–2027 school year!

Go Tigers!

Robert Castellano

Principal

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