Jacksonville Elementary School

Tony Howard, Principal
Deques McClain, Asst. Principal
Jerry McGrew, Asst. Principal
Christen Bradford, Dean of Students

August 14th, 2024

Dear JES Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year at Jacksonville Elementary. We have a new admin team which consists of Mr. Tony Howard, the Principal; Mr. Deques McClain, Assistant Principal; Mr. Jerry McGrew, Assistant Principal; and Mrs. Christen Bradford, Dean of Students and Instruction.

Welcome from Mr. Howard:
My name is Mr. Tony Howard, and I am the Principal at JES. I am very excited about the chance to work with our scholars again this school year. Building relationships with students and families is one of the most important aspects of my job as an educator. I can assure you that I wholeheartedly share in this school's commitment to caring for and educating your scholars on a holistic level.

Welcome from Mrs. Bradford:
My name is Christen Bradford, and I am the Dean of Students at JES. I am elated to welcome each of you this school year. As the Dean of Students, my role is to ensure that every student has a safe, productive, and successful school experience. I'm here to support you with any concerns you may have, whether they are about academics, behavior, or anything else that might come up. Our goal is to help create a positive and welcoming environment where everyone can learn and grow.

Welcome from Mr. McClain:
My name is Deques R. McClain. As the Assistant Principal at Jacksonville Elementary, I want to extend my warmest welcome and express my excitement for what lies ahead this school year. Our dedicated team is committed to providing a supportive and enriching environment where each student can thrive. We encourage open communication and partnership between home and school to cultivate a positive and rewarding experience for all.

Welcome from Mr. McGrew:
My name is Jerry Evan McGrew, and I am one of the Assistant Principals at JES. I am excited to once again see and work with our returning scholars and families this school year and am eager to welcome our new scholars and families into our JES school family. I have worked as an educator in Jacksonville for the past 15 years, and enjoy running into current and former scholars and families everywhere I go. I am proud to be a member of the JES team and look forward to every day at work because of my JES school family. We are truly dedicated to providing the best education and showing love to every scholar who walks through our doors each morning, and our team is committed to ensuring every scholar learns, develops, and grows throughout this school year.

As we eagerly prepare for our scholars' return on **Tuesday, August 20th, 2024,** do not hesitate to contact JES admin if we can assist you in any way. We look forward to working with you to ensure the success of your scholar(s).

The JES Admin Team