



Jefferson Township High School Newsletter

Jefferson Pride



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JTHS has been named a US News & World Report Best High School for the second year in a row! Thank you to the hardworking students, dedicated staff, supportive parents that made this happen! #falconpride #falconfamily

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Community Members,

As we all deal with Coronavirus Pandemic and the many challenging situations that have been presented to us, I would like to take the time to thank all of our first responders, those in the medical profession, and those who go out to work each day so that we can keep our students safe at home. I would also like to thank and commend our teachers and administrators for the wonderful job they have done in keeping our oars in the water and our boat moving forward. No one knows what the immediate future will hold, but our Falcon Family has once again shown the resilience, humanity, and kindness needed to move our school district and community forward.

I am proud to be part of the Falcon Family and look forward to seeing you all soon.

Stay safe and well.

Tim Plotts

Music Connection: Mr. Sica

For the sixth year in a row, Jefferson Township Public Schools is one of the 754 school districts that are among the best communities in the nation for music education. The award program recognizes outstanding efforts by teachers, administrators, parents, students and community leaders who have made music education part of a well-rounded education. Designations are made to districts and schools that demonstrate an exceptionally high commitment and access to music education across grades K-12. *For more information about the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation, please visit www.nammfoundation.org.*

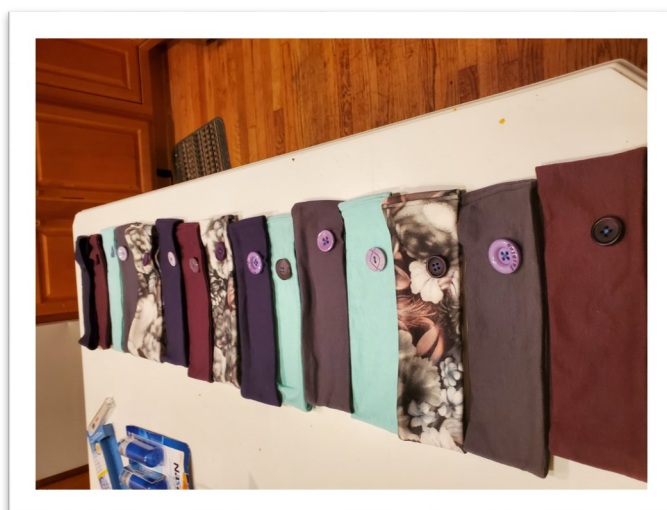


Business Connection: Ms. Villa

The marketing students are working in a digital marketing simulation learning how to create Google Ads, Website and Email Marketing Campaigns. The goal is to create brand awareness and generate conversions. Students are also learning about the analytics that measure the effectiveness of their marketing campaigns. Both students and teachers are adjusting to the rigors and challenges of distance learning.

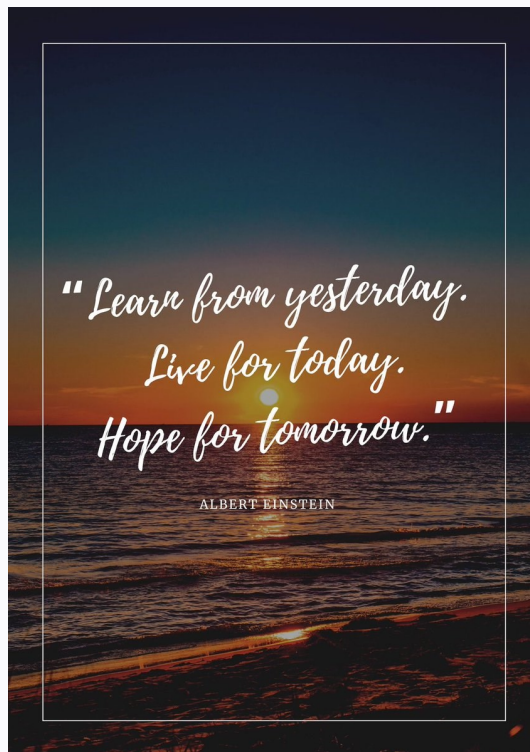
National Honor Society Connection: Mrs. Kula

NHS members have been assembling button headbands to donate to healthcare workers (these allow them to put their elastic from the masks around the buttons to help the irritation on the backs of their ears). We have been donating them via Jefferson Angel Helpers (a group of retired Jefferson teachers making masks).



Media Center Connection: Ms. Villa

Students and teachers have been granted access to so many free resources. The Media Department is working to organize some of these resources to make them more accessible. In the near future, Ms. Aluotto will be holding live sessions with teachers and students who have questions, comments, or who just want to say hi!



Congratulations to Gabby Frueh & Dylan Stefans on being selected as one of only 50 students out of nearly 400 for Morris Museum's prestigious Fresh Perspectives 2020. We are so proud of these talented artists! The virtual exhibit will be on their website in May! [#falconpride](#)

English Connection: Ms. Wnuk

From Ms. Daken:

In addition to learning firsthand the impact of the media on education, Media Studies has been hard at work, despite the distance. Through online collaboration and zoom meetings, we have continued our discussion of how the media can impact and affect our understanding of gender. The students have worked together through shared presentations and documents, analyzed their own television and film preferences, and participated in discussion board conversations, using many of the same apps they had already gotten comfortable with throughout the year. In the upcoming weeks, they will be continuing their 5 Minutes with Media session, welcoming guest speakers to join online class discussions, and will be working on positivity projects. Senior Honors and College Prep have completed their research papers regarding how an everyday decision like food choices can have a significant impact on their health, community, economy and environment. Currently they are beginning their 20 time projects. This unit enables each student to research, design, and implement their own assignment, creating their own precise and measurable goals. Their progress is charted through communication with their teacher and through their own creation of a blog. Additionally, Honors will be charting new territories together with an online reading and discussion of *Death of a Salesman over zoom*. *These discussions will be recorded and shared for those students who are unable to attend.* AP Language and Composition is eagerly awaiting our new 2020-version of the AP test. The students have been working on their rhetorical analysis, completing creative analyses of tone, creating sharp satires of their current situations, and producing their own trailers for recent documentaries. They have continued to collaborate through zoom meetings, collaborative documents, and online group assignments.



This past weekend would have been the JTHS winter guard chapter championships with Atlantic coast championships this weekend. Let's show the team some love, and in particular their senior member, Emily McMahon!

Online College Block Party April 28 and 29 - Check it out! Registration required. [@JTHSFalcons](#) [@JTHS2023](#) [@JClassof2021](#) https://www.crowdcast.io/e/online-college-block/register?cm_ven=ExactTarget&cm_cat=College%20Block%20Party%20-%20Counselor%201&cm_pla=VPL%20506%20for%20List%202024&cm_ite=https:%2F%2Fwww.crowdcast.io%2F%2Fonline-college-block%2Fregister&cm_lm=185200280 ...



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Since we're all missing *Good Morning Jefferson*, the magic of @Photoshop brings us Mr. K. & Kiko's greeting! Have a wonderful weekend, Falcons! #falconpride