

## Upcoming Events

### October 6th

Term I Progress Reports distributed

### October 10

No School—Columbus Day

### October 11

Fire Truck Arrives for Grade 8 Photograph

### October 18

Grade 7 and 8 Band student to UCONN in Storrs

### October 28th

Picture re-take day

### November 8

Election Day—No School

### November 11

Veterans Day—No School

### November 18

Grade 6 Dance 2:30-5PM

### November 23-25

No School Thanksgiving

### November 29

Evening Conferences 630-9PM

### November 30

Afternoon Conferences 430-6PM

### December 6

Grade 7/8 Dance 2:30-5PM

### December 15

Grade 7 Band Concert 7-9PM

## Our Principal's Message

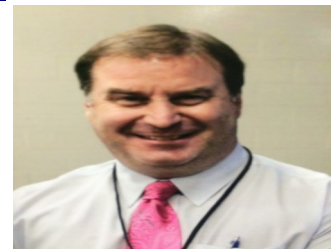
Hi Parents!

We are off to a great 2016-2017 school year! Students are quickly settling into their academic routine and are doing great work. Our teachers are busy building trusting supportive relationships with all of our students. There is a very positive atmosphere in the building. JFK teachers prepare lessons that address a variety of learning styles to ensure all students learn to the best of their ability. Classrooms are busy with lively discussion, experimentation, student-centered activities, and other forms of authentic learning. In addition, the Fall sports teams are experiencing a great deal of success. What is most impressive is the good sportsmanship that is prevalent among our athletes and coaches.

I am excited to remind every-

one about our 4R and Patriot Pride programs. The 4R initiative will assist in improving school climate and help us to create our core beliefs together. These are the core beliefs that we will live by as a building throughout the year. Teachers, students, and administrators all participate in this program. Every few weeks, the administration will highlight a different "R" (Responsibility, Readiness, and Relationships) during morning announcements by sharing the students' ideas of what the R's look like around our building. As parents, you can remind them of how important it is to be "R"eady for school by eating healthy, getting plenty of rest, and doing their best on homework.

The Patriot Pride program recognizes students for doing "good things". The aim is to catch students being kind and



doing respectful things for others. It could be anyone, at any time helping out a fellow student or adult. Students will receive a Patriot Pride Card and become eligible for weekly drawings (starting soon) where they can get t-shirts, backpacks, lanyards, pens, and other cool swag.

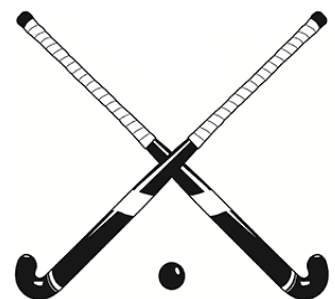
Finally, we would like to hear from you! JFK is a very big school and we can always use your help. We have a very dedicated PTO (and other parent organizations) that need volunteers throughout the year. Please check our website for information and feel free to email me with any questions or concerns at [ssargalski@enfieldschools.org](mailto:ssargalski@enfieldschools.org). I am looking forward to another productive year!

## JFK Field Hockey Roster

### Coach Cepetelli

Tessie Brookes  
Bethany Muzulini  
Kylie Renna  
Kaylene Stanizzi  
Kaitlyn Stanizzi  
Noella Duclos  
Marguerite Johnson  
Laney Vandal  
Alexia Dasilva  
Tamara Edwards

Lindsay Suggs  
Kara Edwards  
Lindsey Lawlor  
Lindsey Flavin  
Kassidy Rhodes  
Emily Vandal  
Amelia Batchelor  
Zoe Prevost  
Savanna Stebbins  
Nakya Cazarez  
Meredith Higgins





Since 1972, Community Health Center, Inc. (CHC) has been one of the leading health-care providers in the state of Connecticut, providing comprehensive primary care services in medicine, dentistry, and behavioral health. The CHC Programs are available to all, but have a special commitment to the uninsured and underinsured. CHC is a statewide, independent, private non-profit organization. Last year, we provided high-quality medical, dental and behavioral health services to patients living in nearly every Connecticut city and town. With 130,000 active patients, CHC, Inc. is the health care home that works to keep our patients—and our communities—healthy. We incorporate prevention and health promotion, treatment of illness, and management of chronic disease—often all during the same visit. But CHC goes beyond the traditional health services to bring care wherever you are.

Here at JFK Middle School, CHC has a school-based behavioral health clinician, Abbie Vita, LCSW. This is Abbie's second year at JFK. She has 9 years of experience working with youth and families. She is able to provide social work services which include: individual, family and group therapy. She is here Monday through Friday during regular school hours.

Check out CHC on the web at: [www.chcl.com](http://www.chcl.com)

If you are interested in enrolling in school-based counseling with Abbie, enrollment is quick and easy! Please visit [www.sbhcl.com](http://www.sbhcl.com) to enroll.

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Order your yearbook at [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com)

Yearbook ID Code 11394217

John F. Kennedy Middle School

DEALINE: April 14, 2017

Hard cover yearbook \$25.00

Foil name on cover \$5.00

Yearbook price after Jan. 1, 2017 is \$30.00. (Foil name is still an additional \$5.00)

**Yearbook It!**

**ONLINE ORDERING IS HIGHLY RECOMMENDED AS WE WILL NOT BE SELLING YEARBOOKS IN THE SCHOOL THIS YEAR. YOU MUST ORDER AHEAD OF TIME. YOU MAY ORDER ONLINE – OR- MAIL IN YOUR FORM TO LIFETOUCH. PLEASE DO NOT BRING ANY PAYMENT TO JFK. THANKS!!!**

### JFK Girls Soccer

Coach Rossignol

Lillia Polmatier  
 Alyssa Rossignol  
 Karl Oppemheimer  
 Hailie Genco  
 Jordyn Foote  
 Taylia Haughton  
 Marisa Silva  
 Holly Veilleux  
 Becca Menard  
 Hailey Rivest  
 Casey Roberto  
 Kelsey Frenette  
 Emalie Herzig  
 Anabelle Daily  
 Nicole Sidell  
 Anna Bryson  
 Morgan Ludwick  
 Cassidy Langevin  
 Jessica Marcotte  
 Nevaeh Muichison

### JFK Boys Soccer

Coach Nuccio

Jacob Reynolds (Captain)  
 Ethan Steele (Captain)  
 Colin Caron  
 Ben Carrier  
 Ryan Godbout  
 Bryce Grigaitis  
 Andrew Herron  
 Andrew Jones  
 Patrick Moynihan  
 Joseph Rouchard  
 Joe Severino  
 Dale Fuller  
 Kacper Kurgan  
 Joey Lajoie  
 Luke Semanie  
 Matt Spruill  
 Eric Steele  
 Jack Winans  
 Andrew Goddard  
 Traizen Griffith



### Girls

Aponte-Lee, Jazlynn  
 Benevides, Abbie  
 Cook, Abby  
 DesRosiers, Sage  
 Drumm, Noel  
 Iv, Olivia  
 Lumpkin, Jahnyah  
 Perry, Jackie  
 Scruggs, Ellen  
 Spencer, Kelsey  
 Strout, Kirsten

### Boys

Bouchard, Carter  
 Bouchard, Jackson  
 Brennan, Dan  
 Brown, Matt  
 Chipman, Maxwell  
 Mahmoud Elsabbal  
 Kearney, Pat  
 Labak, Gage  
 Neff, Jedidiah  
 Radziewicz, Joe  
 Tedone, Ben  
 Tyler, James  
 Tyler, Josh  
 White, Dan

### Cross-Country XC



Coach Zawodniak



## JFK Concert Dates

December 15	Grade 7 Instrumental Concert, 7:00 p.m., snow date December 21
December 20	Grade 8 Instrumental Concert, 7:00 p.m., snow date December 21
January 18	Grade 6 Instrumental concert, 7:00 pm, snow date January 19
January 25	Grade 6-8 Chorus Concert, 7:00 pm, snow date January 26
May 17	Grade 6 Instrumental Concert, 7:00 pm
May 24	Grade 7 Instrumental Concert, 7:00 pm
May 31	Grade 8 Instrumental Concert, 7:00 pm
June 7	Grade 6-8 Chorus Concert, 7:00 pm



## News From Physical Education

### Flag Football Club

For the 3<sup>rd</sup> consecutive year JFK will be offering a co-ed COMPETITIVE flag football club for all grade levels. As a popular alternative to tackle football, flag football players must remove the flag belt of their opponent in order to end a play. The games will be fast-paced and fun and will challenge teams to think creatively to design plays. Each team will be coached by a staff member and can have no more than 10 players. The season will kick off mid-September. Listen for announcements in the AM and posters in the HUB and hallways for the start date!

### Physical Education News

As we start the new school year the Physical Education department is looking forward to a healthy and productive year! All students are required to come to class prepared and ready to participate with sneakers, the JFK uniform T-shirt and athletic type shorts (check the Policies and Procedures handout for more information in regards to the PE dress code). Also, both the Boys and Girls Locker Rooms are CELL PHONE FREE

ZONES! We appreciate your cooperation in advance!

All PE classes will be participating in the Connecticut Physical Fitness Assessment (CPFA) in the Fall. Other activities that will be covered include: Soccer, Basketball, Volleyball, Softball and Flag Football. Also, non-traditional sports such as Tchoukball, Speed Ball, Lacrosse, and Project Adventure will be offered.

In an effort to continuously improve the Enfield Public Schools we would appreciate your candid feedback.



### **JFK Student Council is collecting Box Tops!**

Box Tops for Education are an easy way to earn cash for our school! This year our goal is to raise \$1,500 to purchase some new equipment for the Physical Education classes!

### **Students can enter to win prizes!**

As an incentive to bring in Box Tops, Student Council will have a quarterly raffle. Students will receive a raffle ticket for every 10 Box Tops that they turn in. Each quarter a winner will be selected and given a gift card!

### **How to submit your Box Tops**

Box Tops may be submitted on a collection sheet or in a bag/envelope. Collection sheets can be found on the Student Council bulletin board between Red wing and Administration wing.

1. Clip 10 Box Tops
2. Attach them (tape or glue) onto the collection sheet OR put them in a bag/envelope
3. Return the sheet during Homeroom to 21 Blue
4. Write your name on your ticket and place it in the contest bin!
5. Raffles will be drawn on the last day of the quarter and winners will be Contacted.

Questions? Please see a Student Council Advisor  
Ms. Scordato 34 Black or Ms. Pascoe 21 Blue

# JFK AFTER SCHOOL



## COMIC BOOK CLUB

**Comic Book Club:** Brainstorm, sketch, plot and design an original comic book. Use your imagination to create your own comic book story.



## PODCASTING

**Podcasting:** Interested in broadcasting news or reporting? Create podcasts and learn about voice recording, marketing, and interviewing. Get your message out and connect with people everywhere!



## KIDZ SPORTS

**KidZ Sports:** Keep active! Play flag football, basketball and indoor whiffle ball with friends this fall. Great challenges and everyone gets to play.

## JFK After School

Engaging creative experiences for middle school students.  
New clubs added every week!

Healthy snacks everyday  
Flexible schedules available  
Ask about multiple child discounts  
Sliding fee schedule based on income  
Financial assistance and scholarships

## ENROLL ONLINE

[www.erfc.us](http://www.erfc.us)  
860-235-9935  
Open until 6:00 PM  
Open on early release days



## EXPLORE SCIENCE

**Explore Science:** Try some cool experiments that challenge what you know or think you know about science. Do you know how and why superstitions affect us? What do you actually know about your gut?



## OVEN MASTERS

**Oven Masters:** Do you have a passion for cooking? Try out some new cooking techniques. Build your own collection of recipes. Everything is made from scratch. Tasting is a must!



## HOMework SUPPORT

**Team Building Game:** Want to complete your homework after school? Need help sometimes certain subjects? Homework help is available! Be ready for the next school day and enjoy your evenings.



119B Post Road, Enfield, CT 06082 Phone: 860-253-9935 Website: [www.erfc.us](http://www.erfc.us)

## From The Nurses Office...

From the Nurses' Office Fall 2016

Fall is here and the change in the weather brings allergies, the flu, colds, and other illnesses. Here at JFK we encourage good hand washing and all teachers remind students about sneezing, tissue disposal etc. Flu shots are very important in the prevention of serious illness and we encourage you to get a flu shot for your child and yourself.

The State of Ct has changed the screening requirements for middle school. The only screening required is **scoliosis for grade 7 girls**. The screening will be in October and February during the PE class. Any student who is not in PE (for any reason) will be screened in the nurses' office. Referral Letters will be sent home if your child has a known diagnosis or if the nurse observes any signs of concern.

**Grade 6 students** are required to have a complete physical on a ST of CT blue form. The date of the physical **must be** between **June 22, 2016 and August 31, 2017**. The St of CT also requires immunizations for entry into grade 7 in September 2017. Letters will be sent to the parents/guardians throughout this year as a reminder until the forms are in the nurses' office. If you receive a letter and you think you already sent the forms in, please call the nurses' office at (860) 763- 8880. Better to check and not wait until end of August.

**Concussions, breaks, sprains, crutches and other problems:** If your child sustains a concussion or any physical injury, call the nurses' office and we will help with your student's return. Please be sure your student comes to the nurses' office when returning to school and has the doctor or emergency room notes. We have plans for all types of injuries and/or needs.

The nurses are in the office from 7:20 AM until 3 PM on school days. The phone numbers are 860-763-8880 and 860-763-8887. Our fax number is the main school fax number 860-763-8888.

Are you or your family in need of health and/  
or dental insurance?

For help, call:

access health CT The logo for access health CT features the text "access health CT" in a sans-serif font. "access" and "health" are in orange, while "CT" is in yellow. To the right of the text is a graphic of a stylized sun or starburst composed of numerous small yellow and orange dots.

**1-855-805-HEAL (1-855-805-4325) | TTY: 1-855-789-2428**

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### **NEW TEACHER IN THE FACS DEPARTMENT**

We welcome Mrs. Susan Corey to the Family and Consumer Sciences Department at JFK! Mrs. Corey has been a teacher for several years, having taught previously in Enfield (5<sup>th</sup> grade) and Westfield MA (FACS and 5<sup>th</sup> grade). Mrs. Corey has also worked as a buyer in New York City, and for a time, operated her own day care. She holds degrees from Lesley University (Master's in Education), UMass Amherst (Home Economics and Business), and Bay Path College (Fashion Merchandising). Mrs. Corey is happy to be back in the Enfield Schools and be part of the JFK family. She joins FACS teacher Mrs. Janet Parks. Their shared goal is to help students develop the skills necessary to succeed in the classroom and in the real world. They also hope to foster an interest in the new department courses offered at Enfield High, such as Culinary Arts.





## Gaskell Team News!

In Geography class, the Gaskell team students will begin quarter one with learning all about the different regions of Asia. They will be studying both a political and physical map to better familiarize themselves with this continent. We will also research its rich history, appreciate the various cultures and religions that exist here, and explore different forms of governments. Lastly, we will look at what many Asian countries are like today. I am excited to begin our amazing journey around the world!

Mrs. Gilbert

The Gaskell Team English students are currently working in our Narrative Unit. Peer collaboration continues to be our focus. We continue to learn from accomplished writers in our text to prepare for our own story writing. What are the elements that drive a story? How does a writer craft a story that is unforgettable? These are questions students on the Gaskell team can answer!

Mrs. Gaskell

Our Science students have been reviewing data collection, graphing and measuring. We are about to set up a great experiment with Diet Coke and Mentos. Everyone seems comfortable with accessing my web page and Quia. Have you signed up for Remind? Thanks for your support!

Mr. Curtin-McKenna

The students in math this year are working on various integer skills. We will continue to heavily focus on these to become successful on our quarterly assessments which will show retention and knowledge of skills. I am eager to watch your child learn in math this year!

Ms. Yeamen





## John F. Kennedy Middle School #10977



Dear Parents:

Welcome back to the start of a new school year and to a new year of A+ School Rewards!

Beginning October --7, 2016, John F. Kennedy Middle School – ID#: 10977 has the opportunity to participate in and earn CASH from A+ School Rewards, a great fundraising program run through your local Stop & Shop!

**PLEASE NOTE:**

***You DO NOT need to re-register your card if your school selection(s) remains the same as last year.***

**To participate:**

Visit [www.stopandshop.com/aplus](http://www.stopandshop.com/aplus) and scroll down to the center of the page to select **REGISTER YOUR CARD** from the red box on the right marked **FOR CUSTOMERS**; or,

Call the A+ School Rewards Hotline at 1-877-275-2758 for assistance; or,

Email the A+ Hotline. Please include the last name associated with your STOP & SHOP CARD, your 13-digit STOP & SHOP CARD number and our school name and school ID number\* of our school (or the name, city and state in which the school is located) to: [askaplus@cranecommunications.com](mailto:askaplus@cranecommunications.com).

*\* If you are supporting more than one (1) school, please include the ID numbers for both schools (or the names, cities and states of your schools).*

**To earn points:**

Use your registered STOP & SHOP CARD each time you shop at Stop & Shop, and you will earn CASH for our school.

You can track the number of points you are earning for our school by checking your grocery receipt.

At the end of each month, your points are calculated and converted to CASH rewards for our school. These CASH rewards are updated monthly on the Stop & Shop A+ website beginning in November.

After the last day of the 2017 program, which is March 17, these same conversions are performed and the final *school account total* is posted.

Our school will receive one CASH awards check at the end of the program and can use this cash for any of our educational needs.

Also, please encourage your family members and friends to support our school. This could result in more CASH REWARDS!

Thank you for supporting our school.

Sincerely,

David Iacobucci  
Assistant Principal  
John F. Kennedy Middle School  
Enfield CT 06082

