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Joslin Activities and Greetings

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JOSLIN ELEMENTARY PTA

## WINNER OF THE AUSTIN ISD ELEMENTARY PTA OF THE YEAR!



On May 10, Joslin Elementary PTA will be recognized as the 2023 PTA of the Year at the 2023 Salute Awards. Salute is Austin ISD's annual celebration recognizing the district's outstanding team members dedication to student excellence and achievement. Salute is AISD's annual awards event, co-hosted by the district and Austin Partners in Education (APIE). Tina Walker, Joslin PTA President, and other fellow PTA Board Members will accept this honor at the 2023 Salute Awards held at the Austin ISD Performing Arts Center. This honor would not have happened without the support of our amazing leadership, supportive Principal Chang, staff, teachers, community, sponsors, parents, and of course our past and current Jaguars. WE make Joslin Elementary not only the only trilingual school in Austin but THE COOLEST SCHOOL IN SOUTH AUSTIN!



**PTA Leadership Team** • **Tina Walker**, President • **Sabrina Joy**, Vice President, Fundraising Chair • **Jen Saradzic**, Membership Chair • **Jessica Sanders**, Teacher Appreciation Chair • **Amanda Mansouri**, Campus Beautification Chair • **Penelope Lim**, Communications Chair • **Brianna McKay**, Healthy Living Chair • **Christopher Walker**, Volunteer Coordinator • **Joey Sisson**, Spooktacular Committee Lead • **Madeline Miller**, Teacher Representative • **Stephanie Turner**, Teacher Representative

## Read-a-Thon WINNERS



### Top 10 Readers

1. Ailish K
2. Bishop T
3. Aleutian P
4. Sage B
5. Cylas P
6. Lucien B
7. Leo T
8. Heron Q
9. Maribel T
10. Josie M

Ailish K read the most minutes and won "Principal for the Day" which will happen before the end of the school year. Everyone else has their names on the front marquee for the rest of the year and will be silly stringing Ms. McKay at the Spring Fling.

Top fundraiser was Brooklyn C in 4th Grade.



Ms. Aguayo's class read the most minutes during the read-a-thon and won a party donated by Blazertag!

# PTA Updates



JOIN US FOR A YEAR-END **SPIRIT NIGHT**  
BENEFITTING JOSLIN ELEMENTARY PTA

**TUESDAY MAY 2, 2023**  
11AM-10PM  
2901 SOUTH LAMAR

Mention Joslin Elementary! The more meals or individual desserts purchased throughout the day, a larger percent of sales will be shared with Joslin!



JOSLIN PTA  
PRESENTS  
THE 2ND ANNUAL

# SPRING FLING & RAFFLE!



Joslin t-shirt will be available  
for pick up  
**EPIC Dance Party**  
Live DJ  
Food for Purchase  
Dance Contests  
Raffle Drawing



**FRIDAY,  
MAY 5**

JOSLIN BLACKTOP  
5:00PM-7:00PM  
FREE ENTRY



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**MAY 8 - 12, 2023**



# Teacher APPRECIATION WEEK

# FIELD DAY



**FIELD DAY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**  
**MAY 24**  
**SCAN QR CODE TO SIGN UP**

MAY 25  
3:30-4:30PM

Joslin pta  
presents

last day of  
school

GOOD VIBES

enjoy  
every  
moment.

# Foam Party

**FREE!**

Joslin  
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# PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

- **PERSERVERE.** As we enter the last month of a great school year, we continue to talk about learning everyday at and outside of Joslin. I encourage you to continue to learn this summer. Your experiences outside of Joslin are just as important as those at Joslin. We would like to give a shout out to Ann (3rd grade) for being an example of PERSERVERANCE and who has been recognized as the Imagine Learning Student of the Year! Ann was chosen from a handful of students who completed all the Imagine Learning modules! She will win a solar powered backpack and receive a Student AISD Proud Certificate for her accomplishment.
- **RESPECT.** At Joslin we respect each other. You don't have to be friends with everyone, but we must be respectful to all. We don't tease people for what they wear, how they look, or what they believe in. Unless someone asks for your opinion, then state your opinion. If your friends are teasing others, it doesn't mean that we tease others too. Let's support each other, like each other, and respect each other. Jaguars don't bring people down. Jaguars bring people up. Jaguars respect everyone.
- **Spring Music Concert.** THANK YOU Ms. McKay for another amazing Spring Concert. We enjoyed the musical theatrics!
- **2023/24 School Registration.** THANK YOU for registering next year! For those who have not registered, we will be reaching out to you soon. If you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out!
- **New Assistant Principal for 2023/24 - Sarah Tanner.** Mrs. Tanner was selected by the Joslin Interview Committee, selected by Mr. Chang, and approved by AISD. Mrs. Tanner will visit Joslin on Monday, May 8 to meet the team. THANK YOU Mrs. Pansza for helping us this school year!



## SARAH TANNER ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



I am so excited to join the Joslin team as the assistant principal! I am a native Austinite who attended AISD schools and spent my summers swimming at Barton Springs. I graduated from The University of Texas with a degree in Biology while also completing the UTeach program and continued my education at Texas State with a Masters in Secondary Education and Administration. After teaching middle school Science for 11 years, mostly at O. Henry Middle School, I served as the assistant principal at Lively Middle School for 4 years. My favorite moments as an educator are when children have the "light bulb" moments of new understanding. In all of my roles as an educator, I view it as my job to give students as many opportunities as possible to make those light bulb moments happen.

It is very important to me as an administrator to treat each child and family with the same care as I would want my own children to be treated. As a mom of four children in AISD schools, I know how important the school and family relationship is. In my free time, you will find me working out, reading a book, or spending time outdoors with my family.

# CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to our 3rd grader, Shi-En Huang (Ann), for being one of the Imagine Learning Student of the Year Award winners. The criteria was based on usage time and two students were randomly selected from each Imagine Learning product and named the Imagine Learning Shooting Star for their commitment to learning this school year. The Account Executive, Derrick Hernandez, will present the award to Ann and take a picture with the student, teacher, and principal to post on the Imagine Learning and AISD social media pages.

yearbook

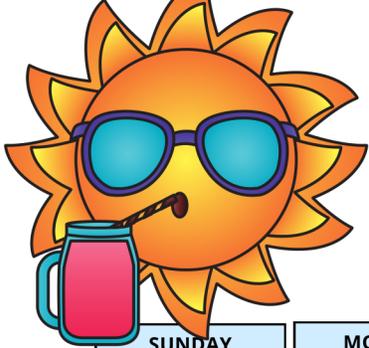


Joslin yearbook is finally back! Thank you parents and teachers who contributed beautiful and fun images to the yearbook and thank you to those who pre-ordered online. The yearbooks are expected to arrive by 5/22 and if anyone missed the opportunity to order, they still have time to purchase one. To buy a yearbook (\$20, cash or check (payable to Joslin Elementary PTA) can be dropped off at the school front office. Alternatively Venmo (@Joslin-PTA). Please provide your kid's name, grade and teacher's name when placing the order.

If you are interested in assisting with next year's yearbook, please get in touch with [joslinyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:joslinyearbook@gmail.com). We plan to involve more parents and students, including holding a yearbook cover design contest for upcoming 5th graders. Please stay tuned! ~Crystal Chen (2nd grade parent), Josephine Tidwell (K, 3rd, 5th parent), Angel Luna (Administrative Assistant)

**THANK YOU!**

TO OUR  
APRIL  
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\*Hosted by Joslin PTA



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	<b>1</b> <b>Principal Appreciation Day - Mr. Chang!*</b>	 <b>2</b> <b>Spirit Night: Amy's / Phil's 11a - 11p 2901 S. Lamar*</b>	<b>3</b> Bike to School Day <b>Teacher Assistant Appreciation Day!*</b>	<b>4</b> <b>2p: Garden Work Time*</b>	<b>5</b> <b>5-7p: Spring Fling &amp; Raffle (blacktop)</b> <b>Cinco de Mayo</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> Sarah Tanner visit (new AP for 2023-24 school year)	<b>9</b> 8:15-9a: Coffee with the Principal	<b>10</b> <i>School Nurse Appreciation Day!*</i> <b>6p: AISD Salute, Joslin PTA, Winner of AISD PTA of the year!</b>	<b>11</b> <b>2p: Garden Work Time*</b> 3:30p: CAC Meeting	<b>12</b> Academy 4: End of Year Celebration	<b>13</b>
<b>Teacher Appreciation Week</b>						
<b>14</b> 	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> <b>PTA Elections Meeting*</b> <b>5:00p: Board</b> <b>5:30p: General</b>	<b>18</b> <b>2p: Garden Work Time*</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> 	<b>22</b> 12:30-2:30p: St. Michael's Reading Day and Book Donation 5:30p: 5th Grade Promotion Ceremony (cafeteria)	<b>23</b> 10:50-11:10a. Crockett High School Senior Walk	<b>24</b>  <b>Let the Games Begin!</b>	<b>25</b> LAST DAY OF SCHOOL(students) <b>3:30-4:30p: PTA FOAM PARTY*</b>	<b>26</b> Last day of school for staff	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>			

**T, May 2: Spirit Night @ Amy's Ice Cream and Phil's Ice House** - Visit them any time all day and a portion of all profits will be donated to Joslin PTA. Don't forget to mention Joslin Elementary when purchasing! Add your name to the jar at the counter for a chance to win one of two \$25 target gift cards!

**F, May 5: Spring Fling and Raffle** - Joslin PTA does it again! Join us for a dance party and raffle! Check out the website for a full list of prizes and to purchase raffle tickets! <https://go.rallyup.com/joslin2023/Campaign/Details>

- Robotics Club Showcase will be featured

**M, May 8: Sarah Tanner visit** - Meet Joslin's new Jaguar! Ms. Tanner will be our new Assistant Principal for the 2023/24 school year.

**T, May 9: Coffee with the Principal** - This month's topic: Sunrise Service, Master schedule planning and feedback

**W, May 10: AISD Salute Ceremony- CONGRATULATIONS Joslin PTA - Winner of the AISD Elementary PTA of the Year!!!** All are welcome to join the ceremony at the AISD Performing Arts Center, 1500 Barbara Jordan Blvd, Austin, TX 78723

- 5:30p: Appetizer reception
- 6:30-8p: Ceremony

**W, May 17: PTA Elections and Meeting** - Join us for the last PTA meeting for the school year! PTA board elections will be held. If you would like to be involved with the PTA, we could always use your help!

**M, May 22: St. Michael's Reading Day and Book Donation** - Students from St. Michael's High School are organizing a book drive and will talk with students the importance of reading.

**T, May 23: Crockett High School Senior Walk** - Crockett High School graduates will walk the hallways of Joslin Elementary!

## Back to School

7/31-8/3: New Teacher Orientation  
 F, 8/4: Teacher Planning Day  
 8/7-8/9: Staff Development  
 8/10-8/11: Teacher Planning  
 F, 8/11 (12-1p): Meet and Greet the Teachers - Students are welcome for a quick chat to meet their new teachers.

MONDAY, *First day of School*  
AUGUST 14

### EXAM Day

**No Campus visitors allowed on testing days**

### STAAR Math

T, 5/2: 3rd grade  
 W, 5/3: 4th grade  
 Th, 5/4: 5th grade  
 F, 5/5: Make up test

