



THE JAG

Joslin Activities and Greetings
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WELCOME BACK JAGUARS!



Welcome back to another exciting school year! My name is Sabrina Joy. I'm the parent to both a 5th grade student and a 2nd grade student who currently attend Joslin as well as a 3 year old who can't wait to come next year. I have served as the PTA Secretary and the PTA Vice President over the past 3 years. This year, as PTA President, I am thrilled to extend a warm greeting to both our returning families and those who are joining us for the first time.

PTA plays a vital role at Joslin. We host fun events for students, like movie nights, our Spooktacular Halloween Carnival, a foam party, school dance, and Loteria Night bingo. We support our staff with monthly lunches, classroom monetary grants, and dedicated room parents. We have crafted the beautiful spaces you see when you walk around campus. We fund and coordinate education programs for students like author visits, creative writing lessons, healthy living nights, and PEAS outdoor science education. We even won the AISD PTA of the Year award for 2022-23!

Joslin is truly a hidden gem in South Austin. I believe that PTA plays a huge role in that. Our leadership team is incredible and we operate on one belief: our kids deserve a magical school experience and we have the power to make that happen.

If you are a returning parent, I challenge you to choose one event your child loved last year and ask what you can do to improve it. If you are new to Joslin, I encourage you to get your "feet wet" right away. Attend our August PTA meeting and ask questions...or just listen! No matter what your schedule looks like, there is a role for you.

WELCOME 2024 -2025 PTA

President / Fundraising - Sabrina Joy
Vice President - Vacant
Secretary - Alex DeHoff
Treasurer - Dot Aikman
Parliamentarian - Joey Sisson
Communications - Penelope Lim
Appreciation - Jessica Sanders
Campus Beautification - Allie Cassel
Healthy Living - Josephine Tidwell
Yearbook - Crystal Chen

Vacant PTA positions

Vice President
Hospitality Chair
Membership Chair
Programs Chair
Volunteer Coordinator
Teacher Rep/Mini-Grant Coordinator
Room Parents

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER



- **WELCOME!** I'm excited for the 2024-25 school year and welcome our new Jaguar families! I also want to welcome our 9 new teachers to Joslin who are joining us because of our strong community. Congratulations to Mrs. G's new position as the Resource Inclusion Teacher, Ms. Wang as our full-time 4th/5th Mandarin teacher, and Mr. Barrientos for becoming a certified Spanish teacher.
- **Join PTA.** If you join PTA by Sept. 17, your child's name will be entered into a raffle for a special prize at the Lunar Festival. Remember even your kids can join the PTA and all friends and family. Each membership will be a raffle entry. We have another year of exciting events with PTA this year, led by our new PTA President, Sabrina Joy.

- **Leader in Me.** We are excited to continue year two of the Leader in Me Leadership Program. Thank you Joslin PTA for providing assistance with funding the program.

- **THANK YOU to our Cafeteria Manager Ms. Julie!** Her persistence and consistency with following the federal guidelines secured Joslin's status for free breakfast and lunch to all students.

- **New absence reporting.** Absence forms can be completed online. Visit <https://joslin.austinschools.org> > Parents > Report an Absence

- **School Hours.**

- 7:00 am: Doors open
- 7:30 am: General Assembly
- 7:40 am: Class starts
- 8:00 am: Tardy starts
- 10:30 am: Attendance taken
- 3-3:20 pm: Dismissal window



Scan to
join
Joslin PTA



Welcome New Joslin Jaguars



Ms. Perla Lara, Life Skills TA

An Austinite currently living in Lockhart, she has seven years of experience in the education field. My hobbies are collecting elephant figurines, going on cruises, and gardening. Fun Fact: I have too many animals in my family to name.



Coach Adrian Marquez, PE Coach

A born Austinite, Texas State University graduate, and two year veteran at Crockett High School. Fun Fact: I enjoy running, exercising, fishing, and spending time with family & friends



Ms. Allison Sukenic, SBS/SCORES Teacher

She recently graduated from The University of Texas with a degree in Special Education. She is excited to start her teaching journey at Joslin. Fun Fact: My hobbies include reading watching baseball, and hanging out with friends.



Mr. Derek Tarnow, Music Teacher

In 2009, Mr. Tarnow graduated from Texas State University with a Bachelor of Music in Jazz Performance and has been an active performer and music educator in the Austin area since 2007. Fun Fact: He has performed at the Montreux Jazz Festival, shared the stage with Grammy winning artists, and played at Luckenbach and Antone's.



Mr. Maxwell Longfield, 3rd English

Originally from Dallas and a graduate of Full Sail University, Mr. Longfield is excited to develop awesome relationships with his students and families this school year. Fun Fact: Favorite activities are rock climbing, extreme sports, card games and paddle boarding.



Ms. Anissa Martinez, Life Skills TA

She is a student at Austin Community College working towards a degree in Cybersecurity. She is excited to be transitioning into education. Fun Fact: I have 2 dogs that are my best friends, and I like playing PC games in my free time!



Ms. Yen Hua Sung, 2nd/3rd Mandarin

She has a degree in foreign language and master's in education. She taught in Taiwan and El Paso. She recently moved to Austin and is excited to teach at Joslin! Fun fact: I love making food and trying new food all the time!



Mrs. Ellie Zamberlan, Assistant Principal

A graduate from Grand Canyon University with a Masters in Early Childhood Education, she taught Special Education, K-4 for 10+ years in Illinois, Arizona, and Texas. Fun Fact: In my free time, you will find me watching hockey, reading, and spending time with my husband and family outdoors.



Mr. Raul Garcia, Kindergarten TA Spanish



September 17, 2024

- 5:00-6:00P BACK TO SCHOOL (CLASSROOM)
- 6:00-6:30P TITLE I MEETING (CAFETERIA)
- 6:30-7:30P LUNAR MOON FESTIVAL (BLACKTOP)

The poster features a yellow banner with the date, a list of events, and illustrations of an apple, a smiley face, a globe, a rabbit, a moon, and a flower.

Joslin PTA Birthday Fundraiser

The Joslin PTA is starting a new year-round fundraiser. Celebrate your Jaguar's birthday while supporting your school! Your Jaguar's name will be posted on the marquee during their birthday week.

Early bird special: Donate \$10 by Sept. 15
After Sept. 15: Donate \$20 for birthday recognition

Please give 2 weeks notice prior to birthday week
Purchase now for any birthday month
Complete Birthday Recognition Form using the QR code

The poster is decorated with a colorful border, a marquee frame, and a birthday cake illustration.



August



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
11 *Hosted by Joslin PTA	12	13	14	15 11a-12p: New to Joslin Orientation (cafeteria) 12-1p: Meet the Teacher (classrooms)	16 5:30-7:30p: PTA Play Date (blacktop)*	17
18	19	20 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL 7:45-9a: Boo-Hoo Breakfast (library)*	21	22	23 Last day to turn in Summer Reading Bingo	24
25	26	27	28 PTA Meeting 5p Board 5:30p General (library)*	29 11:30a-10:30p: PTA Spirit DAY	30 College Colors Day - Wear your favorite college colors	31 8-10a: PTA Garden Maintenance Day (courtyard)*

Joslin PTA ONSITE PLAYDATE
WELCOME BACK JAGUARS
BACK TO SCHOOL PLAYDATE
 FRIDAY
 AUGUST 16, 2024
 5:30-7:30P
 KICK OFF THE SCHOOL YEAR WITH ONE LAST SUMMER PLAYDATE
JOSLIN ELEMENTARY BLACKTOP

Joslin PTA
BOO HOO Breakfast
 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL, AUGUST 20, 2024
 7:45AM - 9AM
 JOSLIN LIBRARY
 WHETHER YOU'RE PLANNING TO SHED A HAPPY OR SAD TEAR, COME JOIN US TO KICK OFF THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR!
 Grab a visitor pass at the front office



2024-2025 School Supply List



PHIL'S IS THE BURGER SPOT
Amy's ice creams

JOIN US FOR
BACK TO SCHOOL SPIRIT NIGHT
 BENEFITTING JOSLIN PTA
 THURSDAY, AUGUST 29, 2024
 11:30AM - 10:30PM
 2901 SOUTH LAMAR

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



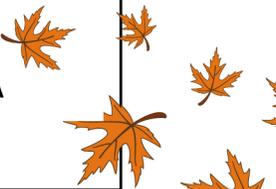
Joslin PTA
GARDEN MAINTENANCE DAY
 HELP REVIVE OUR GARDENS TO PREPARE FOR OUR CLASSROOMS
 SATURDAY, AUGUST 31, 2024
 8AM - 10AM
 JOSLIN COURTYARD
 PLEASE BRING GARDENING TOOLS AND MOWER

ALL HANDS ON DECK!!
PTA Meeting
 Wednesday, August 28, 2024
 Joslin Library
 Board Meeting 5:00Pm
 General Meeting 5:30Pm
 All are welcome!
 We want to hear from you!
 Kids welcome
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September



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 LABOR DAY  SCHOOL HOLIDAY	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12 3:30-4:30p: Campus Advisory Council Meeting (library)	13	14
15 Hispanic Heritage Month Sep 15-Oct 15	16	17  5-6p: Back to School Night 6-6:30p: Title 1 Meeting 6:30-7:30p: Moon Festival 	18 PTA Meeting 5p Board 5:30p General (library)* 	19	20 Academy 4	21 8-10a: PTA Monarch Garden Work Day*
22	23	24	25	26	27 5:30-7:30p: Lotería Night (cafeteria)* 	28
29 *Hosted by Joslin PTA	30 					

Joslin PTA Presents...

LOTERIA NIGHT!

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
5:30-7:30 PM
JOSLIN CAFETERIA

CELEBRATE HISPANIC HERITAGE, WIN PRIZES, AND PLAY THIS FUN BINGO-STYLE GAME WITH FRIENDS!
ALL JOSLIN FAMILIES ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND!

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 **MONARCH GARDEN VOLUNTEER DAY**

SAT, SEPT. 21, 2024
8AM - 10AM



After several grants, countless hours of planning and hard work, we need your help to finish the Monarch Garden Classroom.
No experience needed.

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