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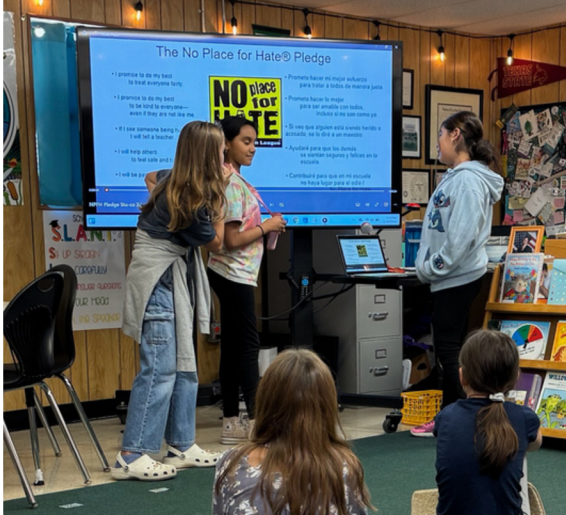
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No Place for Hate Campaign at Joslin Elementary

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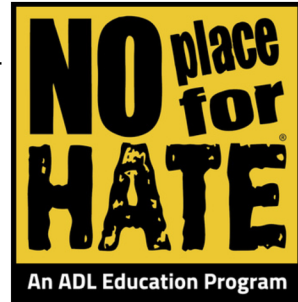


At Joslin Elementary, the No Place for Hate Campaign has become a cornerstone of our school culture, fostering an environment of respect and kindness for over 10 years. Managed by the dedicated Joslin Student Council, this initiative is more than just a program; it's a commitment to ensuring that every student feels safe and valued in our school community. Under the guidance of our wonderful school counselor, Mrs. Turner, the Student Council is excited to engage our students in meaningful activities throughout the year.

Taking the Pledge. In November, students took the pledge.

The No Place for Hate® Pledge

- I promise to do my best to treat everyone fairly.
- I promise to do my best to be kind to everyone—even if they are not like me.
- If I see someone being hurt or bullied, I will tell a teacher.
- I will help others to feel safe and happy at school.
- I will be part of making my school No Place for Hate.



Student Council Involvement. Our Student Council plays a pivotal role in bringing the No Place for Hate Campaign to life. Throughout the school year, they plan and execute 3 major activities that contribute to our No Place for Hate status which includes:

1. Pawsitives Program: An ongoing initiative that encourages students to recognize and celebrate positive behavior.
2. The Great Kindness Challenge Week: Scheduled for January 27-31, this event aligns with The Great Kindness Challenge, where students will participate in various activities promoting acts of kindness.
3. One School, One Book: A spring initiative designed to foster community through a shared reading experience.



Celebrating Leadership. This year's Student Council elections showcased our students' leadership skills. With 27 candidates vying for 7 positions, our 4th and 5th graders demonstrated impressive character by supporting each other, regardless of the outcome. The elected representatives, including the President, Vice President, Action Chair, Eco Chair, Advertising Chair, and PALS Chairs (4th/5th), are set to lead various initiatives. These leaders will organize events, manage recycling efforts, and coordinate buddy activities during lunch, all while exemplifying the Joslin spirit.



Upcoming Events. In addition to our ongoing initiatives, the Student Council is organizing Joslin's Annual Food Drive from Dec. 2-13. Our goal is to collect 500 items or dollar equivalent for the Central Texas Food Bank. To encourage participation, students will earn a Pajama Day on Dec. 20. Find more in the December calendar (p. 3).

We'd like to give a heartfelt shout-out to the teachers who volunteer their time to support the Student Council: Georgia Hanrahan, Avery Austin, Juan Barrientos, and Stephanie Turner. Your dedication to our students makes a significant impact! Together, through the No Place for Hate Campaign and the efforts of our Student Council, we continue to build a school culture rooted in kindness and respect. Let's all join in making Joslin Elementary a welcoming place for everyone! ❤️❤️❤️❤️❤️



Student Council Action Committee counting tickets from Spooktacular!

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

It's that time of year again at Joslin Elementary! As we approach the end of the year, we want to share some important updates and highlights.

- **2025-26 Enrollment.** Round 1 enrollment is open now thru February 4. Please submit your application with all required documents as soon as possible. As you know, we are in year two of a new enrollment system. A few glitches have been discovered and we are actively working with the district to resolve. PLEASE don't wait until the deadline and register TODAY!
 - Thank You for Choosing Joslin! Whether you're planning to stay or move on, we thank you for being a part of the Joslin community!
- **SHOUT OUT to Mrs. Zamberlan!** She joined Joslin this year as the assistant principal. She quickly built relationships and embraced our Joslin community and spirit while demonstrating strong leadership. Recently, she was one of six U.S. educators who participated in an educational panel across three cities in China —Shanghai, Ningbo, and Beijing. This experience allowed her to exchange instructional practices with Chinese education leaders and immerse herself in Chinese culture and language.
- **SHOUT OUT to Mrs. Fanning!** Celebrating her second year as our Instructional Coach, Mrs. Fanning has been instrumental in supporting our teachers. She is also connecting with students to help empower them to problem-solve and find their own solutions. As our prior 3rd grade teacher, she has gone above and beyond to share her experience and help educators provide additional support where needed. This past weekend, she presented on a panel at the UT Austin Graduate School, focusing on "Language and Literacy for Change."
- **Lunar New Year Celebration:** Join us on January 31 from 5:15 to 6:15 PM on the blacktop for our Lunar New Year celebration! The students are working on a surprise 7th language to debut at our celebration!
- **THANK YOU!** As we wrap up the year, let's celebrate our community and the incredible work being done at Joslin Elementary. Thank you for your continued support and engagement!

Special Education Staff Appreciation Week

December 2-6

Y'ALL ARE THE BEST!

Mrs. Crocker, Ms. D, Mrs. Deleon, Ms. G,
Mrs. Garcia Galeana, Ms. Lara,
Ms. Lozano, Ms. Martinez, Ms. Meyer,
Mrs. Miller, Ms. Nafey, Ms. Ochoa, Ms. S,
Ms. Slama, Ms. Sukenic

SPOOKTACULAR FUN! Thank you to
our sponsors and volunteers!



Spooktacular was a blast, but we experienced a lower attendance than years' past. We unfortunately came in below our fundraising goal. Spooktacular is our only fall fundraiser. If you missed the event, please consider donating to Joslin PTA via Venmo @Joslin-PTA to support our projects at school!

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December



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1	2 Student Council Food Drive begins 	3 8:30-9:15a: Chat with Chang (office)	4 3-4p: Joslin Garden Club* Welcome all! 	5 9:15-11a: 5th Grade Fine Arts Extravaganza @ Covington	6 1:30-2:45p: Leaders 5 3:15-4:15p: Silat	7
Special Education Staff Appreciation Week						
8	9	10 General Assembly & 5-6p: K/1st/Joslin Choir Music Performance	11	12 3rd Grade Nutcracker Field Trip 3:30-4:30p: Campus Advisory Council Meeting (library)	13  Jingle Bell Run Academy 4 3:15-4:15p: Silat 5:30-7:30p: Trail of Lights*	14 
15	16	17	18 3-4p: Joslin Garden Club* Welcome all! 	19	20 3:15-4:15p: Silat Pajama Day (if we meet our Food Drive goal!) 	21
HSR (K-5th Grade)						
22	23	24 <i>Christmas Eve</i>	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS HAPPY HANUKKAH	26	27	28
NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK						
29	30	31 <i>New Year's Eve</i>				
NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK						
				*Hosted by Joslin PTA		





STUDENT COUNCIL FOOD DRIVE DECEMBER 2-13

You can donate 2 ways!

1. Bring in Non-Perishable Foods! (NO GLASS)
2. Donate online using Joslin QR code below!

Let's Earn a Pajama Day on Friday, Dec. 20!

...If we bring in at least 500 items (or the cash equivalent) for the Central Texas Food Bank!!







January 2025

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1 HAPPY new YEAR	2 LAST DAY of Hanukkah	3	4
			NO SCHOOL - WINTER BREAK			
5	6	7 <i>Spring semester begins</i> 8:30-9:15a: Chat with Chang (office)	8	9 3:30-4:30p: Campus Advisory Council Meeting (library)	10 3:15-4:15p: Silat	11
	STUDENT HOLIDAY					
12	13 Round 2 Perfect Attendance Challenge Ends	14	15 3-4p: Joslin Garden Club* PTA Meeting 5p Board 5:30p General (library)*	16 Last day to turn in Science Fair Project	17 3:15-4:15p: Silat 5-7p: Joslin Science Fair	18
19	20 MLK DAY	21	22	23	24 Academy 4 3:15-4:15p: Silat	25
	STUDENT HOLIDAY					
26	27	28	29 新年快樂 STUDENT HOLIDAY	30 Round 3 Perfect Attendance Challenge begins	31 3:15-4:15p: Silat 5:15-6:15p: Lunar New Year Celebration	
			THE GREAT KINDNESS CHALLENGE			

COME TO THE NEXT

PTA MEETING

15 Jan
5:30 p.m.

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Start the new year by giving a Joslin teacher and/or team member an AISD High 5! Submit a RAVE!



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