



# THE WARRIOR WORD

...on the street



## IMPORTANT DATES

ADD THESE TO YOUR CALENDAR!

December 21 - January 4:  
Student Holiday Break: NO SCHOOL!

January 3 and 4: Inservice/Staff Development for teachers

January 5: First day back!

January 9: PTO Meeting @4:00  
\*Planning for Father/Daughter and Mother/Son Dance

January 9: Countywide 4H Speeches at JES

January 11: Report Cards  
\*4H Speech Raindate

January 15: Martin Luther King Day - NO SCHOOL!

January 16: Parent Teacher Conferences from 3:15 - 6:00  
\*email your child's teacher or call the office to make an appointment

## PTO UPDATE

PTO Meeting January 9 at 4:00pm in the JES Cafeteria! Please join us!

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## NEWS AND NOTES



Please remember to send a water bottle and snack daily.

## TSI DESIGNATION:

Each year the Tennessee Department of Education examines schools' performance across several different indicators to provide an overall look at how schools are serving the needs of all students. The department of education included the following indicators in its analysis of school accountability:

- Student achievement (based on TNReady scores for 2nd-4th)
- Student growth (based on growth from 2nd-3rd and 3rd-4th)
- English learner proficiency exam (ELPA)
- Chronic absenteeism (takes into account unexcused and excused absences; ALL absences cause missed instruction)

More information on each of these indicators and the data used to define them can be found in the 2022-2023 Accountability Protocol. You can Google this. Under the federal Every Student Succeeds Act (ESSA), the department is required to use the school accountability results to identify those schools with the lowest performance across student groups (e.g., individual racial/ethnic student groups, students with disabilities, economically disadvantaged, and English learners). These schools will receive additional supports from the department.

We are writing to inform you that Jasper Elementary is identified for TSI as required by ESSA and the U.S. Department of Education during the 2023-24 school year.

Our school is working hard with the district and the Tennessee Department of Education to increase student performance by offering tutoring to students who were retained or fell into the 3rd grade retention law, tracking student data and using that to drive our instruction, conducting walkthroughs and coaching cycles with teachers to increase teacher capacity, using high quality instructional materials in ELA and Math. We encourage you to help by continuing to support your student and encourage them in their studies by improving attendance if needed, supporting behavior if needed, assisting with homework and studying. We are a team and all of us at JES will continue to work with you to ensure your child/children's success.