



Lighthouse Highlights

March 12th, 2012

Important Dates

Spring Break March 19- March 23

**ACTAAP Testing
K-2 April 2-April 5
3-8 April 9- April 13**

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JLCS School Improvement Plan can be found on our school website

JLCS Parental Involvement Plan is on

Message from Mr. Whitfield, Lead Principal

The JLCS choir department make a showing in a recent competition.

The JLCS 7th & 8th Grade Academy singers received two number 1 superior ratings, a number 2 excellent rating, and a number 2 excellent rating in sight singing/reading for a number 1 overall superior ranking.

The JLCS Advanced Ladies Ensemble received two number 2 excellent ratings, a number 3 good rating, and a number 1 superior rating in sight singing/reading for a number 2 overall excellent ranking.

Our scholars performed so well many people from all over central Arkansas were asking them about the whereabouts of Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School. Congrats to Shaundraya Jackson, Brittney Curran, Katlyn Stagg-Scalia, Kaunecia McCoy, Ben Johnson, Bayle Johnson, and Tarynn Calvin for representing JLCS well. Conductors from all over the region told the scholars that they were the smallest choir there but had the best harmony of any choir they heard all week.

The scholars will present the songs again for the general public hearing on Monday March 12 @ 6:15 pm. We will also have recordings available. Please be sure to congratulate these scholars for a job well done in bringing a superior rating to the JLCS music program.

Spring Break Packets

Scholars will be sent home with very important AC-TAAP practice work for Spring Break. We have all worked hard this year to prepare for our state testing and we want to continue that preparation over the break.

Message from CPA Principal Chris Carter

This past week in our 7th-8th town hall meeting each homeroom created a human bar graph to illustrate their weekly average of their on-time arrival to school and their culture of respect. For on-time arrival each homeroom tracked the number of scholars that were in their seats at 7:45am each day. For culture of respect each homeroom tracked the number of scholars that were discipline free each day. Congratulations and good effort to **Ms. Brush's** homeroom for achieving the

highest percentage of scholars arriving on-time to school, over 80%, and discipline free, over 70%! I am proud of our scholars for demonstrating that each day they can improve their on-time attendance and create a stronger culture of respect and compassion in our school. As we look forward we will continue to increase our scholar's self-awareness of their on-time attendance, culture of respect, and homework completion.

Creating a stronger self-awareness of key scholar behaviors and habits now will better position our scholars to make choices that will contribute to their daily successes.

Shining Stars

Kindergarten

1st Grade

Caden Mimms/Rose Garcia

2nd Grade

Logan Dickerson/ Jordan Sanders

3rd Grade

Kailyn Smith/ Jade Byrd

4th Grade

Montana Bartole/ Brooke Brant

5th Grade

Jada Guy/ Megan Young

6th Grade

Naja Harper / Endeah Hardaway

7th Grade

Desiree Byrd/ Cameron Leonard

8th Grade

Jordan Loveless/ Diamond McGloan

Message from the Director of Instruction. Tom Kloske

. Attention Parents/Guardians:

It's an exciting time of the year with the weather getting warmer and everything getting more beautiful outside, and we understand that some of our scholars will be playing baseball and softball, but please don't forget the importance of their *academics* too. We will have one more TLI test which will be on March 15th, just before Spring

Break (which will be March 19th — 23rd). In order for your scholar to compete well with other children their age around the state, we want to *provide an edge* and therefore, we will be sending home some practice problems in various subjects. Remember the ACTAAP test is during the week of April 9th — 13th (please try hard not to miss any day that week)! State make-ups are really

difficult so, again, please do not allow your child to miss this crucial week. Thanks in advance! We only have 15 days left until the State Benchmark (ACTAAP) test. **Lastly, we've noticed that several of scholars are arriving late, school starts at exactly 7:45 a.m., please be here before that time. Thank you.**

Message from the Director of Instruction. Greg Jones

I have gotten off to a wonderful beginning at Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School! Scholars have come to school ready to learn, displaying proper respect towards themselves and others. The teachers are working very hard creating new learning activities for our scholars. I have had the opportunity to observe many classrooms and review a great deal of excellent work the scholars have completed. As a result of these experiences I have been able to see that there is quality education going on

at Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School. I, along with the teachers will work hard to insure that this quality continues throughout all that we do.

Parents as we approach the 4 quarter of school, I want you to know that you are very important to the education occurring at Jacksonville Lighthouse Charter School. We invite your continued support, involvement and partnership with your scholar's teacher, as well as the rest of the school staff for we know that active parents affect your

child's achievement in a big way. We hope you know that as a staff we will continue to center our efforts on improving and implementing innovations that ensure our scholars have the opportunity to become competent in every subject area. As always, ***"Today is the day we make it happen."***