



**Middle School at
Parkside**

April 2019

WELCOME to the
2018-2019 school year!

Parkside Principals

Krista Jarvey – 6th
Jeremy Patterson – 7th
Jill Weatherwax – 8th

Daily Schedule

School begins at **7:25 am**
& Dismissal is at **2:14 pm**

*Students may enter the
building at **7:00 am**

½ day Dismissal is at
10:50 am

A Lunch: **10:10 – 10:35**
B Lunch: **10:36 – 11:01**
C Lunch: **11:05 – 11:30**

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Parent Liaison

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

The goal of PAVE (Parkside Adult Volunteers for Education) is to support Parkside through volunteering, donations & fundraising. We believe that the school NEEDS parents & community members involved to be successful & to enrich the children's learning experience.

We meet once a month to plan events or set up volunteering opportunities. If you are interested in being a part of this initiative please contact:
Kristy Dillon (info on bottom left)

***Our next PAVE Meeting is:**

Tuesday, April 16, 2019

at 6:00 pm in the Parkside Library.

We hope to see you there!

Half Days/No School

School Resumes – Monday, April 8th

Friday, April 12th – ½ Day of School (PD for Teachers)

Friday, April 19th – No School (Good Friday)

PSAT- 8th Grade

New for this year, the 8th graders will be taking the PSAT. The date for this test will be Tuesday, April 9th. Please be sure that your student is in attendance this day. A letter was sent home with students on March 22nd.

M-STEP Tentative Testing Dates

8th Grade: April 17th (Science)
April 18th Social Studies

7th Grade: April 30th & May 1st (ELA)
May 7th (Math)

6th Grade: May 8th & May 9th (ELA)
May 14th (Math)

**GOOD LUCK TO ALL OF OUR STUDENTS DURING THIS
TESTING TIME!**



Parkside's Marching Band, Choir, Jazz Band
& Solo & Ensemble students Present:

An Arrangement of Desserts 🎵

Please join us

Thursday, April 11th

from 6-8 pm in the Parkside Cafeteria
for an evening of Music & Morsels to benefit
the Parkside Music Program!

GO VIKINGS!

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Jackson Public
Schools:

www.jpsk12.org

Middle School at
Parkside:
parkside.jpsk12.org

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Young Bands Concert 🎵

Parkside's Young Bands Concert will be held on
Thursday, April 25th at 7:00 pm
in the Parkside Auditorium. Come listen to all of our
talented students!

Orchestra & Choir Concerts will be in May!



We wish a warm "Parkside Welcome" to
our French students who will be here visiting
through the Parkside Exchange Program! Their
arrival is Saturday, April 13th.

8th Grade Formal 🎭

The 8th Grade Formal is planned for
Saturday, June 1st from 5:00-7:00 pm.



Center for
Family Health

The Parkside Health Center is open to all students, Monday-
Friday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., all year long. We provide
medical and counseling services in the comfort of your
school.

Call us at 788-6812 to make an appointment.



Parkside Community Closet

This is our 3rd year that Parkside has the Community Closet available to our students & families. Hunger, lack of appropriate clothing, shoes & basic hygiene supplies is an issue that many students face. In an effort to help our students, we have opened this Community Closet.

Visit our Facebook page (Parkside Community Closet) to see what donations we are currently in need of. If you know a student that would benefit from our closet, message us on Facebook or please contact us at: parksidecommunitycloset@gmail.com

Thank you for helping us on this journey!
~Casey Cretsinger &
Kristy Dillon

8th Grade Community Project Corner

Thank you for supporting your child as they worked on and completed their 8th Grade Community Service Project! Their Exhibition Night was very successful. Thank you to parents, family members, and community members for joining us and for providing written and or verbal comments about the projects and the event. The feedback we received was very positive and helpful as we reflect on what went well and things that we can improve on for future events.

All trifold that were turned in for Exhibition have been scored and the grades are in PowerSchool. On Tuesday, March 26 the IB Coordinators spent the day in Mrs. Flack's and Mr. Korican's classrooms explaining the final reflection that students are required to do. They were given suggestions for each paragraph and guiding questions or prompts to help them think about ideas to complete this reflective paper. The due date is April 12, 2020 but we encouraged students to spend time writing with us and finish it prior to spring break so their experience was fresh in their minds. This piece is graded by the student's project supervisor on an 8 point IB rubric with that score translated to a percentage.

If your child did not complete their project we spoke with them about the three options they have:

1. Finish the project they started and turn it in after break.
2. Find a volunteer opportunity over break (if they are in town), collect evidence and turn everything in after break. they will need to record their action as well as the number of hours (12-13 total as we count 2 hours of class time).
3. Use the research option which is a paper and a Google Slideshow about a topic that is of current interest in our Community, State, Nation, or World.

You can find details about all of these options as well as the final reflection in Google Classroom. Your child should have access to this.

Once again, thank you for all of your support. The projects were great and the Jackson Community benefited greatly from the volunteerism shown by our students.