



Jefferson Journal

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November Activities:

- **Monday, November 3**
- Turn in Fit for Life
- **Tuesday, November 4**
- Student council elections
- **Monday, November 10**
- **No Kindergarten**
Kindergarten
Conference Day
- **Tuesday, November 11**
- Veteran's Day
NO SCHOOL
- **Wednesday, November 12**
- PTO Meeting 11:30PM
- **Thursday, November 13**
- Free flu shots for children
4:00-7:00pm
Watertown Middle School
- **Tuesday, November 18**
- Free flu shots for children
4:00-7:00pm
Watertown Middle School
- **Monday, November 24**
- Turkey Bingo
Codington Extension
Building 5:30-8:00pm
- **Wednesday, November 26**
- Early Dismissal 12:30pm
No Afternoon Kindergarten
- **Thursday, November 27**
- **Friday, November 28**
- NO SCHOOL
Happy Thanksgiving

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Principal's Message

The first quarter of the year has gone by fast. I want to point out a few highlights from the year thus far.

A special thank goes out to the parents who were able to eat with us during our celebration of National Hot Lunch. We served over 450 adults meals during the 6-week program.

Our student safety patrol is up and running with over 35 5th and 6th graders to help provide extra safety on our school grounds. They work in teams of three and rotate every three

weeks. They are doing a great job!

Finally, an enormous thank you to our students, parents, and staff on the completion of our school's fundraiser. The final totals are not in yet, but it looks promising that we will be able to purchase the new playground equipment. We hope to have the new playground equipment in the ground by the start of school next fall. Thank you for making Jefferson a great place to be!!

Mr. Eggen,
Principal

3rd Annual Turkey Bingo

Turkey Bingo is scheduled for **Monday, November 24 from 5:30 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.** Once again, it will be held at the Codington County Extension Building. If you would like to help please call the office at 882-6390 or come to the November 12th PTO meeting scheduled for 11:30am. Come and join the fun and take part. Hope to see you there!

Thank you **PTO** for providing conference meals for our teachers! The food was delicious as always! We appreciate all that you do!

Physical Fitness Champions – 10 years in a row!

Once again, the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports has recognized Jefferson as State Champions. This is the **10th year** Jefferson has received this award. This award is given to a school in South Dakota with the highest percentage of students reaching the Presidential Fitness Award based on a school's student enrollment. This year, the overall percentage of student who reached the Presidential Award was 46.25 % as compared to last years 43.93 %. Congratulations to all students, parents and staff at Jefferson for achieving this great recognition. To commemorate the success of 10 years, Mr. Maxwell and Mr. Hodorff have designed a T-shirt that may be purchased by all who have been involved with Jefferson School, both past and present! **(See order form in newsletter)**



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Cold Weather Procedures

With the cold weather soon upon us, I would like to send a reminder that students should be coming to school with warm outer clothing. **This clothing should include coats, hats, gloves, snow pants and boots.**

Snow pants and boots are a necessity as soon as the snow falls to prevent cold, wet clothing and feet throughout the day. Our policy is that when the snow does start to fall that the students wear them everyday until the end of the season. Thank you for your help!

Health Note: If your child returns to school from being ill, we assume they are well enough to go outside for recess. Thank you!

FREE Flu shots for kids

On November 13 and 18th from 4-7pm at the Watertown Middle School, children ages 6 months to 19 years of age can receive a FREE flu shot. Please contact the Codington County Community Health Office at 882-5177 for more information.

Kids Voting Announcement

All students in grades K-12 in the Watertown School District will have the opportunity to participate in Kids Voting South Dakota. Kids Voting South Dakota is an opportunity for students to go to the election polls with their parents to vote. Students in grades K-8 will have the opportunity to vote for one of the Presidential candidates, one of the US Senator candidates, one of the US House of Representative candidates, and one of the Public Utility Commissioner candidates. The Kids Voting polling place will be located at the Codington County Extension Building and the Kids Voting poll will be open from 7:00am – 7:00pm on Tuesday, November 4, 2008. If your student is unable to vote at the polling place, then your student will have the opportunity to vote on an absentee ballot at their school building on **November 4**. The election results for Kids Voting in Watertown will be published in the Watertown Public Opinion. If you have any questions about Kids Voting, please contact the building principal.



2nd and 4th Winter Program

The second and fourth grade students are busy preparing for their winter music program.

4th grade- Dec. 4, 2008

2nd grade – Dec. 11, 2008

Both performances will be in the Jefferson gym at 7:00pm.

Social Worker Assistance

The goal of the school social worker is to bridge the gap between home and school. Social workers are available to help with a variety of needs that parent's may have. One specific way your school social worker can help you is to be an advocate for your child and family. We can be an advocate to help your child at school and also to help you get resources and support that you need. If you have concerns about your child's needs in school, or your needs at home, please contact **Sara Foust** at Jefferson (882-6390) for assistance.