



# JUNCTION ELEMENTARY

TURNER UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT 202

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Dear Junction Families,

The upcoming school year is fast approaching and with it the great anticipation of new beginnings. I hope you and your families have had a great summer filled with fun, relaxation and memorable experiences. As the school year approaches, I want to make you aware of what has been happening this summer and important dates/activities.

Junction has had many projects going on over the summer. When you get back, you will notice new paint in several of the classrooms and new carpeting in the primary hallway and classrooms. All third grade classrooms across the district received new desks and chairs to include flexible seating options.

In PE, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students will again be involved in some additional activities. We have collaborated with Turner Aquatics Center to offer swim lessons to all of our 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students once a week for six weeks. Third grade students will work with the Kansas City Ballet who will be providing lessons at Junction. More information about both programs will be coming home with students once the year begins.

I am also excited to announce that we have added a full time reading support/library position at Junction. This position was created to help better serve students by offering small group reading support for qualifying students.

I want to welcome the following staff members to the Junction family. I am so excited that these teachers will be joining our team. I am confident that they are committed to building meaningful relationships and providing only the best for our Junction students.

Niki Smith – Pre-K

Erin Argie – Kindergarten

Dakota Smith – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Hannah Tabour – 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Grace Kohler – 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Jenna Cagle – Special Education

Marcus Paccapaniccia – School Psychologist

We have also had several teachers move grade levels and positions this year.

Kristen Scheer – moving from 4<sup>th</sup> to 5<sup>th</sup> grade

Rita Nolan – moving from 3<sup>rd</sup> grade to reading specialist

Keri Landry – moving from Kindergarten to ELL

## Enrollment Procedures

If you have not already, please log into your [Infinite Campus parent portal](#) account to register your child for the upcoming school year. In the online registration application, you will review your child's current information and make any updates needed. After logging into the portal, at the bottom of the left hand launch menu, click the **Online Registration** link to begin the process. Simply click the link and follow the instructions on each page. **Online registration must be completed prior to your child returning to**

**school in August. Students will not receive their classroom placement until enrollment is completed.**

If you need assistance accessing your online Infinite Campus parent portal account, email [ParentPortalHelp@turnerusd202.org](mailto:ParentPortalHelp@turnerusd202.org).

### **Meet the Teacher**

Wednesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-6:30 pm

Come to school, meet your new teacher and drop off your school supplies. Junction teachers can't wait to see their former students and meet their new ones.

The KCK Police and Fire Departments will be making a special appearance at Meet the Teacher Night. Students and families will have the opportunity to meet our local community heroes and check out their police and fire trucks up close. Turner Recreation will have information on local events, youth sports, and before/after school child care.

I am also excited to announce that the department of Traffic Safety will be here again to complete safety checks on car seats and will provide free car seats to families in need.

Moreover, it would not be a great night without a sweet treat! Thank you to Master's Church and Junction PTA for arranging treats.

We hope to see all of our Junction families at this very special welcome back event!

### **First Days of School**

Friday, August 10 - **Early dismissal** for grades 1-5 (8:05-11:40)

Monday, August 13 - **Early dismissal** for grades 1-5 (8:05-11:40)

Tuesday, August 14 - Full day for grades Pre K-5

### **Kindergarten Screening**

Friday, August 10 - 7:30-12:00

Monday, August 13 - 7:30-12:00

Please contact Miss Lopez in the Junction office if you have not yet scheduled your screening appointment.

### **Junction Bell Schedule**

7:40 First Bell - Students can enter the building and get breakfast or go directly to class

8:05 Tardy/Late Bell – All students should be in class ready to start their day

3:05 Dismissal Bell - Students will be dismissed by bus, car or walker

I truly believe that Junction is a great place for kids. The Junction staff takes pride in the ability to offer strong instructional programs to all students. We will work together to provide instruction that meets every learner at their level so that all students are successful. The staff at Junction commits itself to building meaningful relationships with students and families. Communication and strong partnerships between school and home are critical. Together, we can make a difference for our children. I look forward to working with you and your child/children again this year.

In education,

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