

JOEL SCHOOL

OPEN HOUSE

2019-2020



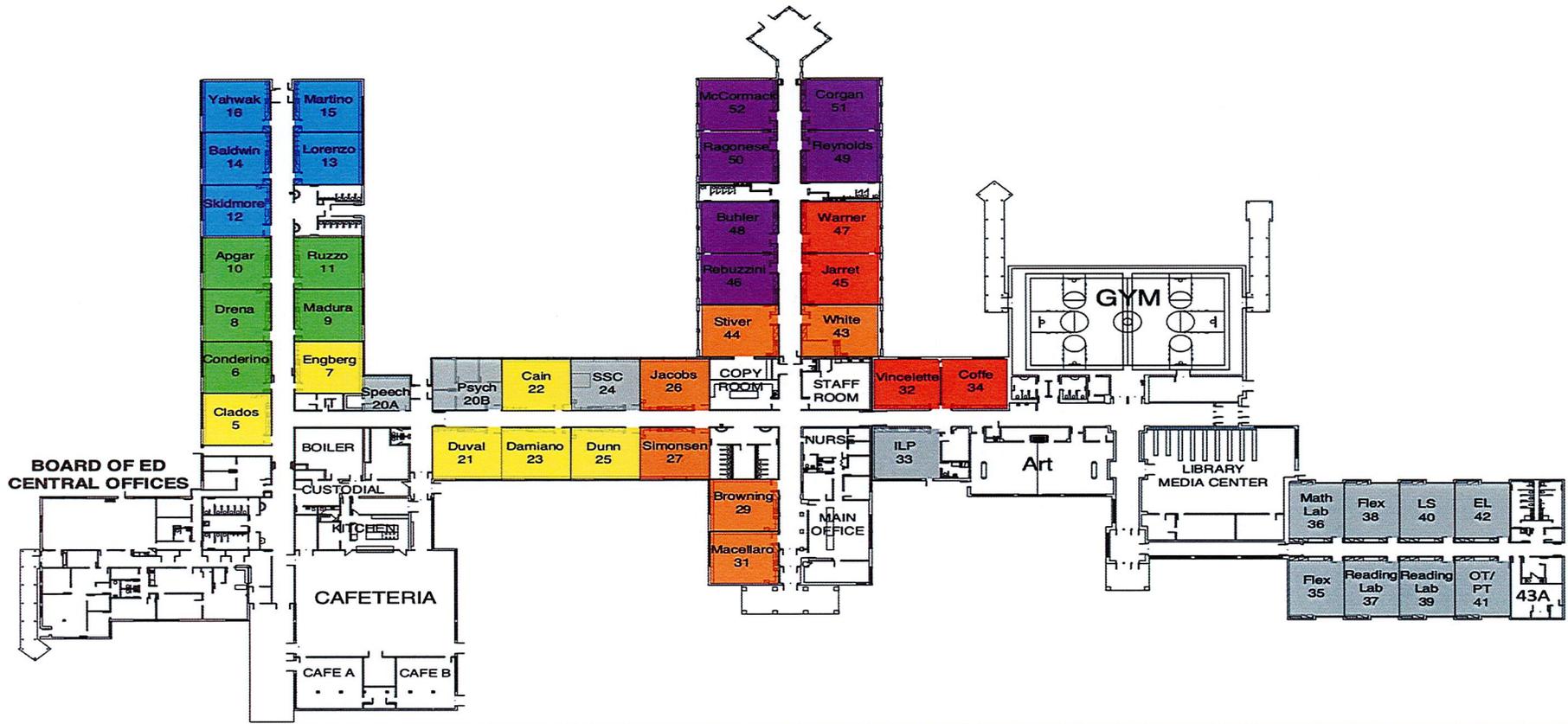
Honoring Tradition
Embracing the Future

What's New At Joel

- PreK to Grade 4 school with @560 students!
- School Configuration, grade level clusters
- Master Schedule
- Grade Level Brochures
- Grade Level Colors
- Cafeteria Plan
- Wellness Plan
- Recess Schedule
- School Wide Summer “Meet and Greet”
- Opening Week Pep Rally
- Updated and freshened the interior and exterior of the building!

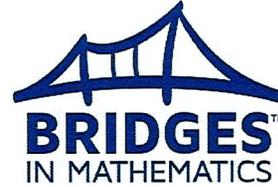
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Pre-K	Grade K	Grade 1	Grade 2	Grade 3	Grade 4	Support
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Curriculum Initiatives

- Bridges Math Program



- NGSS Units



- Zones of Regulation



School Safety

- All visitors enter through Main Office only, sign in, and wear a visitor's pass
- Students and Staff only in the lunchroom
- Staff access cards
- Fire and security drills
- Exterior cameras monitor lots
- Interior alert alarm system
- Districtwide phone system
- Community policing of school campus
- Community Crisis Advisory Team

Attendance Policy



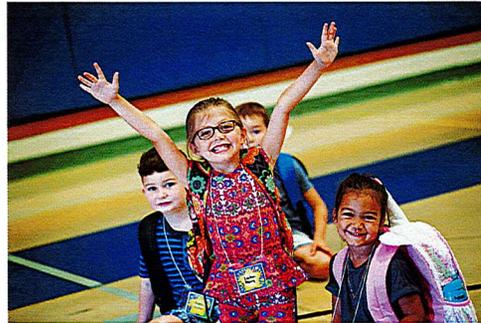
- Absences 1 to 9 excused with parent or guardian approval
- Absences 10 and above excused *only for*:
 - Illnesses verified by licensed medical professional
 - Observance of religious holiday
 - Death in family
 - Emergency beyond control of student's family
 - Mandated court appearance
 - Lack of district provided transportation
 - Extraordinary educational opportunities, pre-approved by administration and in accordance with Connecticut State Department of Education

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Homework Policy

“Homework should nurture childhood development outside of the school day through authentic learning experiences, including reading on a daily basis, (for every child) play, creativity, conversations, and interactions with peers and adults.”

Homework expectations and resources for each grade will be explained in homerooms tonight.



Wellness Policy 5140

BOE Implementation

- Align with New Federal Guidelines
- Support and Promote Healthy Lifestyles
- Includes emphasis on:
 - Physical Activity
 - Nutritional Guidelines
- Non-Food Celebrations
 - Class Parties, Holidays, Birthdays
- No sharing of food provided from outside
- Ensures safety & inclusion for all students (food restrictions, allergies, & medical conditions)

Home School Communication

- School and District websites
- Joel Friday News Blasts
- School Messenger emails
- Staff email
- Parent Meetings
- Conferences
- School Handbook



Friends of Joel

WHAT *is* FOJ?

We're a non-profit group of parents, teachers, and administrators working together to make Joel a great place for our children!



WHAT *does* FOJ do?

Raise money for:

- Cultural Assemblies (compliment curriculum)
- Supplies/equipment that the annual budget does not cover

What else?

- Organize parent volunteers
- Plan staff luncheons
- Sponsor events like Family Math Night and Sports-a-Thon!
- And much much more!

Clinton PTA



- An independent, non-profit, non-partisan association
- A collective voice for CPS, parents, teachers & students
- Separate from FOJ and other school groups



**Be your kid's biggest fan.
Be PTA.**

Family To Do List

- Sign a “Title One School/Parent Compact”
- Sign up for conferences tonight
- Sign up online for “Stop and Shop A+ Rewards Program.” Be sure to choose Joel School!
- Sign up online for “Box Tops for Education!”
- Join the PTA and/or Friends of Joel
- Apply for PreK and Register for Kindergarten in February 2019
- ***Celebrate your child’s strengths and support his/ her education!***



OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

- 6:00–6:15 PM Principal's Welcome
- 6:20– 6:50 PM Visit PreK, K, & 1st grade classrooms
- 6:55–7:25 PM Visit 2nd, 3rd, & 4th grade classrooms
- 6:20–7:25 PM Visit Specialists
Visit Community Resource Tables in Cafeteria

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