



# 5B

# Newsletter

October 6, 2023  
Jasper Middle School  
706-253-1730

## School-Wide News

### **Chromebooks**

Students should be charging chromebooks each night, so they are prepared for school the next day.

### **Dates to Remember:**

- 10/6–Progress Reports go home
- 10/10- Fall Picture Day
- 10/19- 5th Grade Fall Dance
- 11/7–Teacher Inservice Day; Election Day
- 11/14- Fall Picture Makeup Day
- 11/4-Parent Academy
- 11/20–11/24–Thanksgiving Break

## Academic Updates

### **ELA**

This month, we will continue to develop our five paragraph informational writing skills. We will practice finding information from multiple sources to use as supporting evidence in our written expression. We will focus on transition words and learn to combine sentences for more formal writing.

In grammar, we will concentrate on using correlative conjunctions and review prepositions. Students should remember to complete their two Reading Plus reading lessons each week to 80% or higher.

Please try to read to your kids and with your kids as often as possible. This will improve their comprehension and fluency. It will exponentially help them in all subjects.

Contact:

[tiffanygreen@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:tiffanygreen@pickenscountyschools.org)  
[toriewilliams@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:toriewilliams@pickenscountyschools.org)

## Math

We are off to an awesome start to the school year in Math. Our students are finishing up our unit on metric and customary measurement. Our Unit 2B assessment will be the week of October 9th-13th. During the week of October 16th, we will be beginning Unit 3: Building Conceptual Understanding of Multiplication and Division with Whole Numbers. Please have your student practice their multiplication and division facts. Thank you for your continued support.

Contact:

[brandimcentire@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:brandimcentire@pickenscountyschools.org)  
[andracallahan@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:andracallahan@pickenscountyschools.org)

## **Finding Programs:**

At JMS, our students use many great online programs to enhance and reinforce their learning experience (Canvas, Reading Plus, IXL). All of these programs are accessible through Clever. When students log in on their school chromebooks, the program automatically directs them to Clever. Once they are logged in, they can access all programs without the use of an additional login.



## Science

This month, we will begin the Life Science standard S5L1. In this standard, students will obtain, evaluate, and communicate information to group organisms using scientific classification procedures. They will develop a model that illustrates how animals are sorted into groups (vertebrate and invertebrate) and how vertebrates are sorted into groups (fish, amphibian, reptile, bird, and mammal) using data from multiple sources. Students will also develop a model that illustrates how plants are sorted into groups (seed producers, non-seed producers) using data from multiple sources.

Contact:

[lydiamarsicek@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:lydiamarsicek@pickenscountyschools.org)

## Social Studies

Unit 4: World War I and The Jazz Age

- WWI
- Jazz Age
- Treaty of Versailles
- Lusitania
- Louis Armstrong
- Langston Hughes
- Babe Ruth
- Henry Ford
- Charles Lindbergh

Study guides are sent home with my students a week before test time.

In addition, they are posted on my web page at <https://jaspermid.pickens.k12.ga.us/staff/team-5b/tonya-clark/>

Contact:

[tonyaclark@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:tonyaclark@pickenscountyschools.org)

## Infinite Campus:

How to check student attendance and grades:

(<https://campus.pickens.k12.ga.us/campus/portal/pickens.jsp>)

If you need assistance, please email: [parentportal@pickenscountyschools.org](mailto:parentportal@pickenscountyschools.org)

## Yearbook!



Make sure to buy your JMS Yearbook.

1. Go to Jostens.com
2. Go to Find My School
3. Type in Jasper Middle School
4. Click on Jasper Middle School (Jasper, GA)

## Education Success Tip!

Reading at home for just 15 minutes a day can help students tremendously in school. Encourage your child to take a break with a book!

School website:

<https://jaspermid.pickens.k12.ga.us/>