

LCS Presents...



*The Jacket Parent Academy
(JPA)*

What is the Jacket Parent Academy?

1. An initiative to support our strategic plan focus of increasing student and stakeholder involvement.
2. A platform designed to empower parent involvement.

Parent involvement will be empowered by:

- Encouraging volunteerism
- Providing equitable, diverse, educational opportunities (through parental educational sessions) to increase parent understanding of critical elements pertaining to student academics

What is the Jacket Parent Academy? (Continued)

- Serving as an outlet for parents to express views, share concerns and ask questions regarding the education of their child/children
- Helping to alleviate some of the parental stressors associated with the work-life-child-school balance by:
 - providing parental educational sessions
 - providing direction to community resources in support of parents

Goals

The Jacket Parent Academy aims to guide parents in feeling more secure and highly confident in helping their child excel academically.

S3 Approach

- Seek parent involvement
- Support parents in their involvement
- Strive for student-parent success in student academics

Why is this academy needed?

Advantages of JPA

Strengthen the overall Academic Experience!

HOW?

Studies have shown that parent involvement is an essential part of a student's wellbeing. When parents are involved, improvement is shown in behavior, attitude, attendance and grades.

- Confidence boost for parent and child as information learned from the academy is applied in the personal and academic setting
- Increased accountability for parents and students
- Students display more positive behaviors & attitudes

Advantages of JPA (Continued)

- Perfect/Stable attendance for student
- Improvement in Grades: A/B Honor Roll for student
- Improvement in test scores
- Better social skills
- Strengthened bonds (parent-student bond, student-teacher bond, parent-teacher bond)



Advantages of JPA (Continued)

Parent Attendance & Parent Completion Recognition. When parents sign-up and attend the parent sessions, prizes will be awarded. The size of the prize will depend on the number of sessions attended by parents. A grand prize will be awarded to parents who attend all parent sessions. Prizes will be distributed at the end of each school year. Parents who attend all sessions will be considered graduates of the program. These parents will not only receive a grand prize, but will also receive a “Certificate of Completion” during a small ceremony.

Parent Volunteers. Parents who volunteer their services at a LCS school on a consistent basis will be recognized at the end of the year in a Volunteer Appreciation Ceremony. These parents will also be recognized during the month of April (Volunteer Appreciation Month).

Parents will also continue to be spotlighted on the JPA webpage as well.

How Can Parents Become Involved?

Participating in monthly educational parent sessions by RSVP

Volunteering at your child's school/district events (proper documentation for volunteer services will be completed)

Note: JPA and all events/sessions associated with JPA will be advertised via all district and schools' communication platforms to increase parent involvement.

JPA Timeframe

- JPA Program Research, Data Compilation & Analysis (Began October 2021)
- JPA Program & Webpage Initial Launch (Will begin mid January 2022)
- 2021-2022 JPA Program Graduation Status (Based on a 5 month span beginning in January 2021)
- 2022-2023 JPA Program Graduation Status (Based on a 10 month span beginning in August 2022)

JPA Webpage

Educational Resources-online academic resources to assist parents and students at home

Community Resources-Food, clothing, shelter, after school care, individual healthcare services, family health services

Community Involvement (Donors & Friends)-Spotlighting agencies that donate their time, services & products to the JPA program

Calendar of Events-Dates of educational sessions, important national dates, testing dates, etc. (on the district level)

Volunteer Opportunities-volunteer opportunities available at each school

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“Recognizing You”–Parent Spotlight–Volunteerism & parent talents

Tips/Quotes for Parents–Encouraging quotes for parents/tips on “how to” for parents

Take A Break–Students and parents enjoy featured activities/a featured activity for each month while taking a break from academics. This section will include fun websites, directions for small crafts/gardening projects, directions for recipes and directions for certain games.

Photo Gallery–Compilation of numerous photos of events throughout the year

Parent Sessions–Archive of all parent sessions

Espanol–Directions for our LCS Hispanic Community–how to navigate the web page in Spanish

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Thank you

Questions?