



August 5, 2024

Dear Parents:

Summer is rapidly coming to an end, and the start of another school year is just around the corner. We are looking forward with great anticipation to the exciting opportunity we have to work with you in educating your child. We will work diligently to keep you informed and provide opportunities for you to be involved in the Jenison Junior High happenings during the 2024-2025 school year.

As we prepare for the 2024-2025 school year, we also would like you to mark your calendars for our annual orientation days in August. At orientation, your student will have their student photo taken and receive their student identification card. Your student will also use their identification card to pick up their school issued Chromebook as Jenison Junior High School will be 1:1 for devices again this year.

Orientation for our 8th graders will be Wednesday, August 14 from 3:00-5:00 pm, and orientation for our 7th graders will be Thursday, August 15 from 3:00-5:00 pm. To help alleviate lines, we encourage students with the last name A-M attend from 3:00-4:00 pm and N-Z attend from 4:00-5:00 pm. If able, parents are encouraged to attend orientation with their students. If you and your student are unable to attend on your assigned orientation day, please feel free to come on the opposite day. If you and your student are unable to attend either orientation day, ID picture retakes are scheduled for Thursday, August 22 during lunches. Picture retakes will be held on Thursday, September 26 and your student will receive their Chromebook the first week of school. Please read the entire next page for specific orientation instructions. If your student does not attend orientation please plan to attend our Open House with your student on August 19 to walk their schedule, meet their teachers and find their locker.

Following student orientations, your student can find their schedule, locker combination and building map in their Powerschool account. Your student's Powerschool login will be shared on their class schedule at student orientations. If your student has any issues with their login, please have them complete a help ticket with our technology department using the following [link](#).

Thank you in advance for taking an active role in your child's education. We're looking forward to seeing you soon!

Sincerely,

Mr. Brett Cataldo, Principal  
Jenison Junior High School

Mrs. Heather Breen, Assistant Principal  
Jenison Junior High School

# 2024-2025 JJHS Daily Schedule

## Full Day Schedule

### **Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

Report to lunch by 4th hour teachers room number.

Zero Hour: 7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.  
1st Hour: 8:00 a.m. - 8:59 a.m.  
2nd Hour: 9:04 a.m. - 10:03 a.m.  
3rd Hour: 10:08 a.m. - 11:07 a.m.

A Lunch: 11:07 a.m. - 11:37 a.m.  
4th Hour: 11:42 a.m. - 12:42 a.m.

4th Hour: 11:12 a.m. - 12:12 p.m.  
B Lunch: 12:12 p.m. - 12:42 p.m.

5th Hour: 12:47 p.m. - 1:46 p.m.  
6th Hour: 1:51 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

## 2 Hour Delay Schedule (No Advisory)

Report to lunch by 3rd hour teachers room number.

### **NO ZERO HOUR**

1st Hour: 10:00 a.m. - 10:40 a.m.  
2nd Hour: 10:45 a.m. - 11:24 a.m.

Lunch A: 11:24 a.m. - 11:54 a.m.  
3rd Hour: 11:59 a.m. - 12:38 p.m.

3rd Hour: 11:29 a.m. - 12:08 p.m.  
Lunch B: 12:08 p.m. - 12:38 p.m.

4th Hour: 12:43 p.m. - 1:22 p.m.  
5th Hour: 1:27 p.m. - 2:06 p.m.  
6th Hour: 2:11 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

## Full Day Schedule With Advisory

### **Wednesday**

Report to lunch by 4th hour teachers room number.

Zero Hour: 7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.  
1st Hour: 8:00 a.m. - 8:50 a.m.  
2nd Hour: 8:55 a.m. - 9:43 a.m.  
3rd Hour: 9:48 a.m. - 10:36 a.m.  
Advisory: 10:41 a.m. - 11:31 a.m.

A Lunch: 11:31 a.m. - 12:01 p.m.  
4th Hour: 12:06 p.m. - 1:06 p.m.

4th Hour: 11:36 a.m. - 12:36 p.m.  
B Lunch: 12:36 p.m. - 1:06 p.m.

5th Hour: 1:11 p.m. - 1:58 p.m.  
6th Hour: 2:03 p.m. - 2:50 p.m.

## Half Day Schedule (No Advisory)

Zero Hour: 7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.  
1st Hour: 8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.  
2nd Hour: 8:35 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.  
3rd Hour: 9:05 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.  
4th Hour: 9:35 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.  
5th Hour: 10:05 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
6th Hour: 10:35 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.



# FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL SCHEDULE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21, 2024

To allow time for morning assemblies, this time schedule is  
different from the times listed on the Student Class Schedule

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7:00 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.	Zero hour for students scheduled in this class
8:00 a.m. - 8:20 a.m.	7th graders in gymnasium for assembly
8:00 a.m. - 8:59 a.m.	8th graders in their first hour class
8:25 a.m. - 8:59 a.m.	7th graders in their first hour class
9:04 a.m. - 9:24 a.m.	8th graders in gymnasium for assembly/7 <sup>th</sup> graders report to 2 <sup>nd</sup> hour
9:29 a.m. - 10:03 a.m.	7 <sup>th</sup> and 8 <sup>th</sup> graders in 2nd hour class
10:08 a.m. - 11:07 a.m.	All students in 3rd hour class
11:07 a.m. - 11:37 p.m.	FIRST LUNCH
11:42 a.m. - 12:42 p.m.	4th hr. class for students with first lunch
11:12 a.m. - 12:12 p.m.	4th hr. class for students with third lunch
12:12 p.m. - 12:42 p.m.	SECOND LUNCH
12:47 p.m. - 1:46 p.m.	All students in 5th hour class
1:51 p.m. - 2:40 p.m.	All students in 6th hour class

7TH GRADERS are to report to the gymnasium on the first day of school beginning at 8:00 a.m.

8TH GRADERS are to report to their first hour class on the first day of school beginning at 8:00 a.m.

LUNCH PERIODS will be determined according to the room number of your fourth hour class. A separate sheet will be handed out at orientation listing teachers names, room numbers and their lunch.

First Lunch today (A) (11:07-11:37 am)  
Second Lunch today (B) (12:12-12:42 pm)

STUDENTS WHO ARE TAKING A ZERO HOUR CLASS must report to their assigned classroom by 7:00 a.m. Class ends at 7:50 a.m.

# **FORMS & SUPPLIES**

**Don't forget to bring the following information with you on the first day of school, Wednesday, August 21, 2024. Hand in the items listed in bold print to the main office.**

1. Locker number and combination.
2. Class schedule.
3. A physical form to be filled out by a physician if you are planning to participate on an athletic team, it must be dated after April 15, 2024. Please turn this form into the office.
4. Money for hot lunch or bring a sack lunch.
5. **Bring medication to the office** – must be dropped off by a parent and form completed.

## **SUPPLIES THAT YOU WILL WANT TO PURCHASE BEFORE SCHOOL BEGINS**

1. Backpack
2. Pencils and a pen or two and a place to keep them.
3. Six or seven two pocket folders (one for each class).
4. A scientific calculator – A Texas Instruments TI-30x IIS model has been recommended by our math textbook publisher. If you own or purchase a model of calculator other than the Texas Instrument, check carefully to see if function keys are the same or similar to this model.
5. A MEAD COMPOSITION notebook for your language arts class and spanish immersion language arts class.
6. Headphones
7. Highlighters
8. Glue stick
9. Marker set
10. Colored pencils – basic set
11. Sticky notes
12. Dry erase markers (2)
13. Small ruler
14. Basic crayon set
15. Public library card

\*Donations of kleenex and clorox wipes always welcome.

### **\*\*\*IMPORTANT\*\*\***

- **Each student will have his/her own locker. Please use it!!**
  - **Backpacks will not be allowed in classrooms.**
  - **Label all personal belongings.**
  - **Scratch your name into the back of your calculator.**
    - **Purchase a lock for your gym locker.**
    - **Always lock up your things.**
- **DO NOT GIVE YOUR LOCKER COMBINATION TO ANYONE!**

# JENISON JUNIOR HIGH CALENDAR

## 2024-2025

<b>August 19</b>	Parent Open House 6:00-7:00pm
<b>August 21</b>	First Day of School <b>Full Day for Students</b>
<b>August 22</b>	ID Picture Re-takes (during lunches)
<b>August 30 - September 2</b>	Labor Day - <b>No School</b>
<b>September 26</b>	Picture Re-takes (during lunches)
<b>September 27</b>	Professional Development Day - Full Day for Prof. Staff, <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>October 1</b>	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:15-7:45pm
<b>October 3</b>	Parent-Teacher Conferences 3:15-7:45pm
<b>October 25</b>	End of First Marking Period
<b>November 1</b>	Professional Development Day - Full Day for Prof. Staff, <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>November 27-29</b>	Thanksgiving Break - <b>No School</b>
<b>December 18</b>	<b>1/2 Day for Students</b> - Full Day for Prof. Staff
<b>December 19-20</b>	<b>1/2 Day for Students and Prof. Staff</b>
<b>December 23- January 3</b>	Holiday Break - <b>No School</b>
<b>January 6</b>	<b>Students Return</b>

<b>January 17</b>	End of 1st Semester - End of 2nd Marking Period <b>1/2 Day for Students and Prof. Staff</b>
<b>January 20</b>	Professional Development - Full Day for Prof. Staff - <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>February 7 - February 10</b>	Mid-Winter Break <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>March 4</b>	Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences 3:15-7:45pm
<b>March 6</b>	Parent-Student-Teacher Conferences 3:15-7:45pm
<b>March 17</b>	Professional Development - Full Day for Prof. Staff - <b>No School for Students</b>
<b>March 21</b>	End of Third Marking Period
<b>April 4 - April 11</b>	Spring Break - <b>No School</b>
<b>May 6</b>	Honors Night - 7:00pm
<b>May 26</b>	Memorial Day - <b>No School</b>
<b>May 28</b>	<b>1/2 Day for Students</b> - Full Day for Prof. Staff
<b>May 29</b>	<b>1/2 Day for Students and Prof. Staff</b>
<b>May 30</b>	Last Day of School <b>1/2 Day for Students and Prof. Staff - Dismiss at 11:00am</b> End of Fourth Marking Period End of 2nd Semester

# Medications

If your child will need medications dispensed at school, please bring them to the main office in their original containers along with the medical form included in this mailing. Your doctor's signature is needed on the form. It would be extremely helpful if you could do this during the student orientation days due to the busyness on the first day of school.

## STUDENT ORIENTATION DAYS

8th grade on August 14 from 3-5 p.m.

7th grade on August 15 from 3-5 p.m.

## STUDENTS WITH LAST NAMES

A-M attend 3-4 p.m.

N-Z attend 4-5 p.m.

*Thanks for your cooperation!*

# Attendance Policies and Procedures

Our handbook states "excused absences include illness, death in the immediate family, medical or dental treatment and religious holidays." In order for a medical or dental appointment to be considered as a medical excuse, which will not count against student's absences for truancy records and the 8th grade trip to Michigan Adventure, a doctor's note **must** be received by the junior high office. This requirement follows the high school's attendance policies and helps to maintain accurate office records. ***If you need to pick your student up during the day for an appointment, please notify the office first thing in the morning.*** That allows us time to arrange for them to be out to you promptly.



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**Jenison Junior High**  
**STUDENT SUPPORT AND INVOLVEMENT 2024 - 2025**

**Academic Support**

**JASPER**

3:00 p.m. - 4:10 p.m.

Monday - Thursday

Media Center

Transportation home is provided for Jenison residents.

**Math Lab**

7:20 a.m. - 7:50 a.m.

Tuesday - Friday

Room 22

**Club and Activity Offerings**

Golf Club

Art

Student Council\*

Wildcat Way Club

Photography Club

Bowling

Theatre

Creative Writing

Craft Cafe

Robotics

Chess Club

Ping Pong

Yearbook

\*Indicates a selection process is used for participation.

**Athletics**

**FALL SPORTS**

Girls Volleyball

Boys Tennis

Boys Soccer

Boys/Girls Cross Country

Football

Sideline Cheer

**WINTER 1 SPORTS**

Boys Basketball

Girls Swim & Dive

Competitive Cheer

Dance

**WINTER 2 SPORTS**

Wrestling

Girls Basketball

Boys Swim & Dive

\*Boys Volleyball

**SPRING SPORTS**

Boys/Girls Track

Girls Tennis

Girls Soccer

\*Softball

\*Boys and Girls Water Polo

\*Boys and Girls Lacrosse

\*Club Athletics

# JENISON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

## ORIENTATION 2024-2025

### YOU'RE INVITED

Parents and students are invited to attend orientation. Please park in the parking lot at the south end of the Junior High School. You will see a giant Wildcat head on the building. Walk toward the Wildcat head and then go left to enter the cafeteria. The cafeteria is the first stop at orientation. You will need your Geskus form that was mailed to you and money if you plan to purchase photos or you can get your photo taken and order pictures later. Please be dressed according to school dress codes or your photo will not be taken. A student ID badge will be printed when your photo is taken. That ID badge will be kept by your student for the school year. The next stop is the gymnasium to use your ID badge to pick up a school issued chromebook and charger. If you have not filled out the technology agreement you will not be issued a school chromebook and charger. Please see below to complete the technology agreement form. Next you will receive your class schedule and locker information in the gymnasium. Students are welcome to walk their class schedule, find their locker and try their locker combination. When you are finished walking your students' schedule and practicing their locker combination please exit the main front entry of the Junior High, turn right and walk back to your vehicle.

### TECHNOLOGY

Junior High students (with their parents/guardians) must follow the steps below to secure a device for new the school year:

1. Read the [Student Technology Handbook](#)
2. A Parent/Guardian **MUST** fill out the [Technology Agreement Form](#) (one form per student)
3. Review the [Technology Protection Plan](#). Please note that there have been changes made to this plan since last year. To enroll in this plan, payments must be received by September 13, 2024.

**Important:** We recommend parents/guardians fill out the Student Technology Agreement Form at least 1 to 2 weeks prior to their student's school orientation. Without an agreement form on file on the day of orientation, students WILL NOT receive their Chromebook at that time. These students will have to wait until Technology Services receives their agreement form – either on the first day of school or later.

Any 8th-grade student that has an unpaid Technology invoice from the previous school year must pay that invoice in full in order to receive their Chromebook.

Parents will have the ability to purchase the Technology Protection Plan or pay Technology invoices at their student's orientation via cash, check, or credit.

For more information, please visit the [Technology Resources](#) webpage. If you have any questions, please feel free to reach out to Sabrina Vanderlugt at [svanderlugt@jpsonline.org](mailto:svanderlugt@jpsonline.org) or call 616-667-3402.

### EIGHTH GRADERS

On Wednesday, August 14, you are invited to come to the junior high between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to have your photo taken, pick up your chromebook, class schedule and locker assignment. Before you leave be sure to find all of the classrooms listed on your schedule and practice your locker combination.

Last Names: A-M attend 3:00-4:00 pm  
N-Z attend 4:00-5:00 pm

*\*Schedule Change Forms are in the guidance office for students/parents with any questions or concerns.*

### SEVENTH GRADERS

On Thursday, August 15, you are invited to come to the junior high between 3:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m. to have your photo taken, pick up your chromebook, class schedule and locker assignment. Before you leave be sure to find all of the classrooms listed on your schedule and practice your locker combination.

Last Names: A-M attend 3:00-4:00 pm  
N-Z attend 4:00-5:00 pm

*\*Schedule Change Forms are in the guidance office for students/parents with any questions or concerns.*