



## Letter from the Principal

Dear Jackson Charter School Families,

Welcome to the 2024-2025 school year! My name is Dr. Ebony Wrenn and I am thrilled to serve as Interim Principal this school year. My background includes a wide range of experiences including: elementary teacher, Assistant Principal, and Principal. I am also a mother to two amazing children ages 7 and 14. I look forward to getting to know all Jackson Charter School families!

We are excited to have your child(ren) here at Jackson Charter School. There is an exciting year awaiting, designed to promote and enhance your child's growth and development. This year promises to be one filled with discovery and joy as your child grows and develops in an environment that is warm, safe, and nurturing. This will be a turnaround year for Jackson Charter School and I am confident that we can move our school forward in meeting all students' needs.

Our entire staff has been working diligently reviewing routines, procedures, and expectations for the 2024-2025 school year. We look forward to partnering with you this year in a variety of ways. Please let me know if you have any questions or concerns as the school year progresses. I can be reached by phone at 815-316-0093 and by email at [ewrenn@jacksoncharterschool.org](mailto:ewrenn@jacksoncharterschool.org).

In partnership,

**Dr. Ebony Wrenn**

Interim Principal

### IMPORTANT DATES

- 12<sup>th</sup> Parent Bootcamp
- 19<sup>th</sup> PTA Meeting
- 24<sup>th</sup> NWEA Testing
- 25<sup>th</sup> NWEA Testing
- 26<sup>th</sup> NWEA Testing

## Leaders of the Week

We're excited to be bringing you our  
September Leaders of the Week in  
October's Newsletter!

# Jackson Charter Newsletter

September 2024



## We Kicked Off the 24/25 School Year

Our kick-off to the 2024/2025 school year was a blast! Big thank you goes out to DJ Billi Hendrixxx for spinning some tracks, as well as the Rockford Police Department and other leaders that were present that morning. We spent the first few days getting to know our students and settle into our learning routines. Classes are now moving ahead and we're excited to see what this school year brings



## First P.T.A. (Parents Taking Action) Meeting

To make this turn-around year a success, we need your help! Our first P.T.A. meeting of the year is being held on **September 19<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm in Room 119**. We hope to see you there as an invested partner in the school's success. We aim to turn-around our ABC's (Academics, Behaviors, & Culture) and we can't do it without your help and support.



## Block Party & Parent Bootcamp

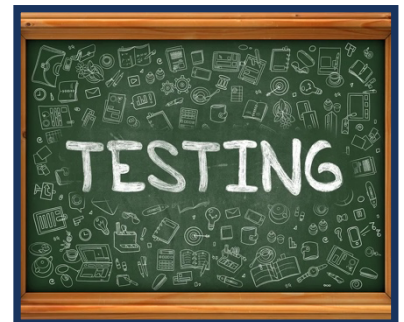
Thank you to everyone that joined us for the Community Block Party on September 10<sup>th</sup>. We loved seeing everyone's faces and engaging with our neighborhood. We also held the first of two parent bootcamps that night. If you missed it, don't worry!

We have another Bootcamp happening Thursday, September 12<sup>th</sup>. **Contact Ms. Copeland at 815.316.0093 ext 104 for details**



## NWEA Testing September 24<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

Our first round of assessments is happening this month. These tests happen three times a year and is our method for benchmarking our students and gathering data on their skills. This data informs our teachers on how best to support them and their learning. Please be looking for more details on testing expectations in your student's folder and in Class Dojo in the coming weeks.





## Parent Resources

Illinois Food Bank has partnered with Jackson Charter School. If you desire a backpack filled with nutritious ingredients for healthy meals, please email [scopelandW@jacksoncharterschool.org](mailto:scopelandW@jacksoncharterschool.org) or [zhoover@jacksoncharterschool.org](mailto:zhoover@jacksoncharterschool.org) to sign up.

### Employment Resources

Name	Website	Phone	Address
Illinois Department of Employment Security	<a href="http://illinoisJobLink.com">illinoisJobLink.com</a>	877-342-7533	
Workforce Connection	<a href="http://theworkforceconnection.org">theworkforceconnection.org</a>	815-847-7574	303 N Main Street, Rockford
Illinois workNet	<a href="http://illinoisworknet.com">illinoisworknet.com</a>		

### Government Resources

Name	Website	Phone	Address
Illinois Department of Children & Family Services	<a href="http://dcfs.illinois.gov">dcfs.illinois.gov</a>	815-987-7640	175 Executive Pkwy Suite 113, Rockford
Illinois Department of Healthcare and Family Services	<a href="http://hfs.illinois.gov">hfs.illinois.gov</a>		
Illinois Department of Human Services	<a href="http://abe.illinois.gov">abe.illinois.gov</a>	815-987-7620	171 Executive Pkwy, Suite 101, Rockford
Winnebago County Health Department	<a href="http://wchd.org">wchd.org</a>	815-720-4000	555 N Court St, Rockford

### Community Resources

Name	Website	Phone	Address
Children's Home & Aid	<a href="http://brightpoint.org">brightpoint.org</a>	815-962-1043	424 7th St, Rockford
MENTality Unchained – Mental Health Services	<a href="http://mentalityunchained.com">mentalityunchained.com</a>	815-566-7138	
New Zion Legal Clinic	<a href="http://administerjustice.org">administerjustice.org</a>	855-818-4554	4747 W. Riverside Blvd., Rockford
Youth Services Network	<a href="http://ysnkids.com">ysnkids.com</a>	815-986-1947	107 N 3rd St, Rockford
YWCA Child Care Solutions		815-484-9442	4990 East State Street, Rockford
MELD		815-633-6353	3703 N. Main St. #107 Rockford IL 61103

### Educational Resources

Name	Website	Phone	Address
YWCA Literacy Council	<a href="http://ywcanwil.org/litcouncil">ywcanwil.org/litcouncil</a>	815-968-9681	982 N Main St, Rockford
Rockford Public Library	<a href="http://rockfordpubliclibrary.org/digital-resources-for-kids/">rockfordpubliclibrary.org/digital-resources-for-kids/</a>	815-965-7606	214 N. Church Street, Rockford

