

HANKINS' HERALD

Our vision is to strive to become the premier school district in the state. Our mission is to create a safe & respectful learning environment that gives all students hope for a better tomorrow by helping them reach their potential.

Mark your Calendar

Wed., Sept. 18 - 2-hr **Early Release**; dismiss at 12:45 PM

Fri., Sept. 20 - PTO **Hat Day** \$1 **Orchestra** Forms & Fall Fundraiser sales are due!

Mon., Sept. 23 - Vision Screenings begin

Sept. 24 & 25 **Donuts with Grown-Ups** 7:30; Tues. K, 2, 4 Wed. 1, 3, 5

Mon., Sept. 30 - 5th grade **Outdoor Day** at Binder Lake

Mon., Oct. 7 - **PTO** Mtg 6 PM

Monday & Friday - Music

Tuesday - Art

Wednesday - Library/Technology

Thursday - P.E.

Quote: *Your attitude towards anything in life is completely under your control..* --Micah Lacerte

Teacher Information

The best time to contact me is during my daily planning period from 9:30 - 10:20 AM. Please use the school office phone number at **(573) 659-3175**. You may also send email to:

gina.hankins@jcschools.us



Shout Outs & Reminders

• The **Outdoor Day** at Binder Lake (Fishing Trip) is just two weeks away. We have a handful of parents/grandparents that have made plans to chaperone. I will send a letter to these volunteers next week with some additional details. If you have not paid, please send the \$3 needed for the bus ride.

• Our class is just about finished taking the beginning-of-year iReady tests. I want to take a moment to brag on them a bit. Everyone stayed so focused and worked hard to "show what they knew." I can't wait to see how much they will challenge and stretch their minds this year, too. *It's going to be fun to watch!*





Spotlight Student

Carson Jenkins

- Favorite Color: Blue
- Favorite Subject: Math
- Favorite Food: Wings
- Favorite Sport: Football
- Favorite Season: Summer
- Favorite Book: *Diary of An Awesome Friendly Kid: Rowley Jefferson's Journal* by Jeff Kinney
- Favorite Ice Cream: Mint Chocolate Chip
- In his free time, he likes to play on his iPad.
- Someday he would like to be a police officer.



Character Plus Monthly Trait:

RESPECT

Treating others the way you want to be treated. It means valuing each others points of view and being polite and kind even when no one is looking.

• **Parents**...thank you for being conscientious about signing your student's daily planner & nightly reading log. We are trying to form organizational habits that will hopefully serve your child well for many years to come. Reading logs are always due first thing on Monday morning. I appreciate your partnering with me to encourage your child to meet this weekly expectation.

• Don't forget about **orchestra** sign ups, if you & your student are interested in this opportunity. When lessons begin they will be taught in the cafeteria each Tuesday and Thursday (8:10-9). On these days, instruments will be kept safely at the rear of the gym stage before & after practice.

• *A couple of exciting things...* Our class will participate in a **KOMU Channel 8 Daily Pledge** recording on 10/10. Also, Mrs. Starnes sent a letter home last week about the 5th grade beginning to prepare for their musical performance, so be sure to save the date: **10/22 at 6 PM.**

• Fifth grade football and softball games start this week. Good luck to our classmates playing on these teams and representing Lawson through your *good sportsmanship*.

Football - 9/17 Lawson vs Cedar Hill-Williams Field/Binder 5:45

Softball - 9/19 Lawson vs S/Callaway Hills-Washington Park 5:45

What's going on in our classroom this week?

Reading/Writing: This week we focus on roles during workshop and discuss how to be a good partner when sharing our thinking about reading. I hope to start guided reading group lessons next week. Our writing lessons will help us to follow the process toward drafting & revising a personal narrative piece.

Math: We will complete our 1st mid-chapter checkpoint over place value, comparing, ordering, and rounding decimals. We will also work on estimating sums/differences, as well as, adding and subtracting decimals. *Making sure to keep place values and decimal points all lined up!*

Social Studies: The island maps turned out great! We also started our new unit exploring the different regions of the U.S. beginning with the Northeast. Students will have a quiz to identify these states on Tuesday. *Please ask for your student's flashcards to help them study!*

