



ANCHORAGE JUNIOR ACADEMY

Committed To Christian Education

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Weekly Newsletter

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AJA thrives when more wonderful families just like yours hear about our program from you. We'd love to follow-up on any referrals you have made to friends, neighbors, or colleagues. Just drop off the contact info with Ms. Richmond or the office, and we'll see if they'd like to learn more!



Preventing the 3rd quarter slump:

- Maintain routines
- Stay organized
- Don't over-schedule
- Get good sleep
- Exercise actively
- Eat a healthy diet
- Drink fresh water
- Keep open communication with your child and their teachers
- Pray often, share gratitude, and count blessings!

God is in control!

Principal's Message

Thank you for a very successful first week back to school. We are thankful that you have enjoyed a safe and festive winter break and are back ready to tackle 3rd quarter. This is a very important part of the school year as students are working on core academic objectives and mastering new curricular skills. Let's work together to make sure that none of our students fall into a 3rd quarter slump. Let's cheer them on, keep them accountable for school work and behavior, and celebrate their achievements.

“To increase in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.”

Luke 2:52

Regular on-time attendance, everyday that your child is healthy, will also be key to your child's success this quarter. Colds, runny noses, fevers, and coughs are prevalent this time of year. Thank you in advance for keeping your child home if they are sick. Our school policy states that students must be fever/diarrhea free for a minimum of 24 hours before returning to school. A good rule of thumb: If you don't think your child is well enough to play in gym class, he/she should probably stay home for the day. This helps us tremendously in preventing the spread of germs and keeping everyone working with your children healthy. *-Ms. Richmond*

Christian education doesn't cost...it pays!

On the path to the future, there are no shortcuts. No investment too large, no sacrifice to great. Thank you for choosing AJA for your child's future. Please let us know how we can pray for your family or better meet your needs this year.

Creation Kids

We want our students to learn habits that will help them in life!

This month's focus is on:

Activity –
God wants me to be active inside and out, mentally & physically.

This month our students are learning about the importance of daily physical exercise, bone health, and why keeping our brains active is a good thing.

AJA's Fundraising Thermometer



Upcoming Dates

- **January 21** MLK Jr. Day, No School
- **January 24** AJA Board Meeting, 7pm
- **January 26** Chili Feed, 6pm
- **February 7-8** Teacher Inservice, No School



Office Announcements

• The School Finance Committee has been closely monitoring the school's finances and is pleased to report an **estimated budget savings of \$10,000.** This savings is being added to our fundraising thermometer. Thank you to those who continue to give generously and participate in this year's letter drive for our annual fund.

• **Tuition Billing and Student Accounts** Please continue to make your payments and keep your account up to date. AJA works on a tight budget and counts on every family's school payment in order to keep our classrooms warm and pay our teachers. Please make AJA a priority as we work to put your children #1 each day.

• The **Letter Drive** is still underway. Please submit addresses of friends, family, colleagues, and acquaintances who may be in a position to contribute to our annual fund. Address forms are available in the lobby. You can also grab ready to go envelopes, and just submit the number of letters you've sent out on your own. **Remember our goal is +250 letters sent out. That's about 8 letters per child! Top senders earn a \$40 Target Gift Card. We are currently at 27 letters sent out!**

• AJA earned **\$91.90 from Box Tops for Education for March-November 2018.** Those small tokens add up quickly. Thanks for your participation.

• **Snow gear and washed fleece jackets** need to come back to school as we cruise into our second semester.

• **Earthquake Food Supply** bags have been brought in by a number of students, but not all. Thank you for helping your student be prepared!

• **Friday AfterCare Pick-up Times** Please remember to honor the Friday sunset calendar when picking up your child from aftercare on Fridays.