John Ericsson Middle School 126 School for Environmental Engineering



JEMS 126 NEWSLETTER FEBRUARY: SETTING AND MEETING GOALS

Community Spotlight: Basketball season is in full swing with our Eagles competing against other District 14 Teams and our Cheerleading Team adding to the positive energy!

The second half of the school year will move as quickly as the first. We are excited to share that as of January, students have already made 88% and 93% of typical annual growth on their middle of year iReady Assessments in Reading and Math respectively. This puts us on pace for students to make multiple years' worth of growth due to their hard work and their teacher's focused instruction.

Continue to ask your students to read independently, to complete homework assignments after school and most important to strive for the goals they have set for themselves. February is a quick month and we have a lot going on. We look forward to you all joining us at family events, student celebrations and parent workshops. As always, don't hesitate to reach out if you have questions or need any support.

STEAM FEST: As we start looking ahead to the coming school year, we are offering 8 weeks of Saturday STEAM workshops to 4th and 5th grade students interested in JEMS 126. Reach out to Ms. Rodney or Mr. Bruce if you know families who are interested!

Value of the Month: Grit – The ability to push through obstacles and persevere despite challenges. Upcoming: We'll be holding three days of learning over the Midwinter Break, February 18th -20th. Enroll now!

Join us for our PTA Meeting, and Honor Roll Celebration February 13th at 5 pm. Ask your child about...

- What is a challenge you have overcome since the start of the year?
- How does having grit make you stronger?
- How much did you grow on your midyear assessments?