



# KNIGHT TIME

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### Spring Break: March 15-19

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DAILY ANNOUNCEMENTS ARE NOW LINKED ON THE JFWA WEBSITE. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE INFORMATION LINE FOR LAST-MINUTE CHANGES AND UPDATES.

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### PLEASE NOTE:

Campus Security has posted school zone signs on the road that goes directly in front of the Academy. A campus wide reminder has gone out notifying everyone that the street is one way in the mornings and in the afternoons during release times for the Academy. Please be sure to observe the one way traffic. Traffic flow patterns are on the website if you need to review them.

NO U TURNS are allowed on the street in front of the Academy. Also, parents who are entering the building must pull into a marked parking space. Please do not leave your car in the road or in the van parking areas. It creates a jam and also hinders sight lines for students crossing the street. Drop offs are allowed but please pull out of the main road. Be advised that Campus Security is going to ticket violators effective immediately. This is for the protection of all our students and for the safety of the entire campus community. Thanks for your cooperation.

### SNOW DAYS

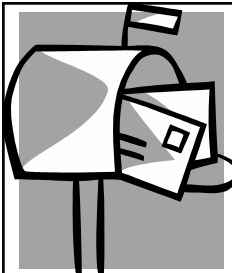
East Tennessee weather has been more like true East Tennessee weather this year than it has been in a long time. When I was in school, I can remember years when we would be snowed in for days on end. In my second year of teaching we had a blizzard followed by a weeks-long hard freeze. We went to school one day in the month of January and missed the whole month of February. The Governor gave us and several other counties an exemption and we didn't have to make up all the days. We went on Saturdays and did extended days from some time, however.

Fortunately, we no longer see those kinds of weather patterns, but we have had more snow this year than we have had in a while. We are going to look at the situation once we get through February and determine how we need to make up some days. As it stands right now, we will end school on Friday, May 28 rather than Wednesday, May 26. If we miss more days, we will revisit the issue and try to make up days within the schedule we currently have instead of adding on days at the end. **At this point, seniors will not be affected. They will end on Friday, May 21, as planned. Regardless of how many days we miss, our commencement date will not change.** If days missed get excessive and we have to ask seniors to come back the week after graduation in order to meet seat time requirements for credits, we will still have our commencement as planned. Final transcripts and diplomas would not be issued until the last day of school, however.

We are hopeful we are over the hump with the bad weather. **Parents of underclassmen**, be advised that our ending day is now **Friday, May 28.**

### Parents of Seniors

Be sure to do periodic progress checks with your graduating seniors to be sure they are on track with college applications and scholarship application deadlines. Mrs. Nadvi has been consistently reminding them, but it helps if you are following up. We usually get a rush of students approaching teachers and administrators for letters of recommendation or forms completion in the early spring. Many times they give it to faculty and/or staff the day before it due to be mailed. We've been reminding them it is not practical for people to write ten or twelve good recommendation letters with virtually no advance notice. We all understand the importance of those letters and want to do a good, thorough job. Thanks for reminding them to give everyone plenty of advance notice on these things.



### Watch Your Mailbox!

Order forms for personalized autographed copies of our One Book/One School selection, *Eli the Good* by Silas House, will be in the mail soon.

Also, we will be mailing out some surveys within a month that are important to our accreditation process and to help us better meet the needs of our school community. Please be sure to complete and return those when they arrive.

### Awards Night:

Thursday, May 20th, 6 p.m., Mars Gym

### Commencement:

Saturday, May 22, 10:00 a.m., Mars Gym. Speaker: Mr. Steve Dean, Creator of the Emmy Award Winning *Heartland Series.*

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