

# Parents Press

A newsletter for Parents of JCS

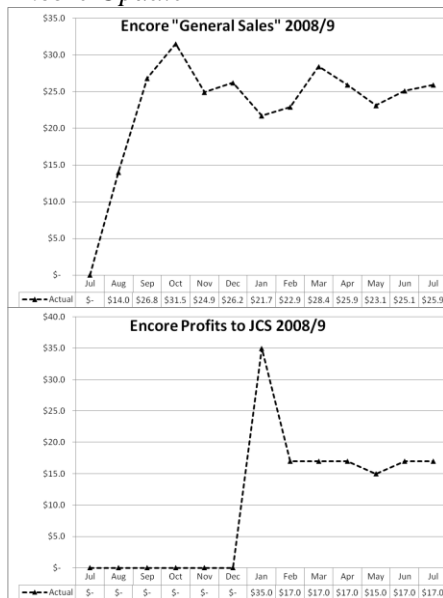
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## School News and Notes

### Encore Update



## Partnering with Parents

*Save the Date: Worldview Rally on Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup> at Grace Church-* JCS is sponsoring a worldview seminar focused on relevant issues affecting Christians in our country today. This event is free and open to the public. Two hours of this event will count towards the Family Service Agreement. More information will be distributed as the event gets closer.

### September

- 14 MS/HS Pictures
- 17 EL Pictures
- 22 MS Homecoming
- 25-26 Homecoming Celebration

### October

- 2 Progress Reports Released
- 8-9 No School/Teachers ACSI
- 14 PSAT/NMSQT (11<sup>th</sup> grade)
- 15 EL – No School, HS/MS – ½ Day  
Parent Teacher Conferences
- 16 No School-Parent Teacher Conferences
- 25 Parent Education Seminar
- 26-30 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Quarter Exams
- 30 End of Marking Period

## Perspective for All Parents

“Jackson Christian School students will possess wisdom, knowledge, and a Biblical worldview resulting in a lifestyle of Godly character, leadership, service, stewardship, and worship”. By now you hopefully recognize this as our school’s vision statement for students. This is the vision we have of your children as they go from grade-to-grade up and through graduation. It is our hope and prayer that by the time your child walks across the graduation platform that they will reflect the elements of this vision statement.

Our vision statement is much different than other area school’s vision statements. While many others focus on improving character, being good citizens, and improving the world, we focus on building a Biblical foundation in your children so they will impact the world for Jesus Christ; a foundation that will help your children live out a life of “Godly character, leadership, service, stewardship, and worship”. Our purpose is so much more than just academic achievement and building character, we see ourselves as helping to build and spread the church- His church.

In 1 Thessalonians chapter 1, Paul says that the church “became a model to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia” (v7, NIV) and that their “faith in God [had] become known everywhere” (v8). In previous verses, Paul had commended the church for imitating his own example of following Christ. Notice that Paul modeled Christ to the Thessalonians and then they modeled Christ to the rest of the world. Our role as faculty and staff at Jackson Christian is to model Christ in front of your children so they in turn will model Christ in front of the world. We have challenged ourselves to live out the school’s vision in our own lives in order to model Christ like behavior and a Christian lifestyle to your children.

My challenge to you as parents is to join us in living out the school’s vision in your own life. Model Christ like living in front of your children and they too will have a faith that is known everywhere.

On a different note, we have a number of events happening this month: The installation of two wind turbines throughout September, and Homecoming on Friday 9/25 and Saturday 9/26. At our Homecoming event this year we are doing a chili cook-off instead of the tailgating done in previous years. We’re also converting our Band Room into a Family Welcome Center over the Homecoming Weekend for the purpose of passing out information to new families, addressing their concerns, and answering any questions they may have.

Our administrative team is hoping your family’s school year is starting off well. Please contact us if you have questions or concerns.

Thank-You and God Bless- Jim Dolson