

Dear Parents & Students,

It's the most wonderful time of the year, **Back to School** at Carl Junction! ❤️🐾📚

The halls of CJ are about to be filled once again with laughter, learning, and Bulldog pride! We are thrilled to welcome back our students, teachers, and staff as we gear up for an exciting 2025-26 school year. This information is also available on the website: [www.cjr1.org](http://www.cjr1.org).

**Classes resume Monday, August 18!** 🎓✍️

📝 **Complete Your Back-to-School Forms NOW!**

All returning and new students must complete the **required Back-to-School forms** online. It's quick and easy, ensuring your child is ready for the first day!

👉 [Click here to access the forms](#)

🎉 **Don't Miss the Back-to-School Block Party – Tuesday, August 12!**

Kick off the school year **CJ-style** with our **Back-to-School Block Party** on **Tuesday, August 12!** This is the can't-miss event of the summer and a great way to reconnect and celebrate as a Bulldog family.

🔥 What to Expect:

- 🍎 **K-6 Open Houses**
- 🏠 **Community Resource Booths**
- 🎯 **Games for the kids**
- 📺 **Giveaways**
- 🍔 **Food trucks**
- 🎉 **And SO much more!**

Bring the whole family and let's start the year with fun, connection, and excitement!

🏠 **Mark your Calendar!**

📅 **High School Fall Athletic practices begin.** Contact the HS Office for more details, 417-649-7081


📅 **Freshman Parent Night, August 11, 6 pm, CJHS**

 **Freshman Orientation** – August 12, 8:30–11:00 a.m. (CJHS)


 **K–6 Open Houses** – August 12, 5:00–7:00 p.m.


*(Look for an email from your child’s teacher to sign up for a specific time.)*

 **High School Fall Sports Parent Meeting:** August 12, 7 pm, CJHS Gym

 **Jr. High Open House** – August 14, 5:30–7:30 p.m.


*(For all 7th graders and 8th graders new to the district)*


 **Jr. High Fall Athletics begin.** Contact the Jr. High Office for more details -  
417-649-7246


 **Senior & Parent Night** - Wednesday, August 20, 6:30 pm, CJHS Gym. Information about cap, gown, graduation announcements, post-graduation planning, and so much more. Questions, email [krijones@cjr1.org](mailto:krijones@cjr1.org).



## **School Supply Info**



 [Click here for the 2025-26 School Supply List](#)

 Prefer to shop online? We’ve partnered with [TeacherLists.com](https://www.teacherlists.com) to make it super easy! Shop for your child’s supply list directly from top retailers like **Amazon, Target, and Walmart**. Convenience at your fingertips!

 **Need help with supplies?** No problem! Bright Futures Carl Junction is here for you. Just check the box in your Back-to-School or Enrollment forms to request assistance.

 **Bus Routes:** All bus stops, bus numbers, and times remain the same as last year! If you need to look up a new bus stop, use this link:

<http://infofinder.com/ifi/?cid=CJRSD3YWKLYRAU>  

We’re counting down the days until we see all your bright faces back in our classrooms. Let’s make 2025-26 the best year yet—**the Bulldog way!**  


**School Café** is your **one-stop shop** for all your students’ breakfast and lunch needs!



 Log in or create your account here: <https://family.schoolcafe.com/CJS>


From your School Café account, you can:

 Add money to your child’s meal account


 Transfer funds between students

 Request a refund

 **Apply for Free & Reduced Lunch**

 View menus and nutrition info

✓ And more!

 **Avoid those first-day meal surprises**—check your account now and make sure your child has funds available for breakfast and lunch. If you'd prefer to skip the convenience fee, you can always send **cash or check** to school in a sealed envelope with your student's **name, homeroom teacher, and the amount clearly marked**.

♥️ We are so excited to start a new year with you and your family! Be sure to reach out to your child's school office staff if you have any questions.