

## Jefferson County School District 509J

UNITE. ENGAGE. SOAR.











## Schools in Action

## Students Flourish Here

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Gift of Literacy [Above] - Jefferson County School District 509J celebrated our 11th annual Gift of Literacy event in May. More than 230 first-grade students from across the district descended on the Performing Arts Center for a day to celebrate reading. Successful children's book author, Eric Kimmel, read to the students and they enjoyed a day filled with activities, reading, and fun. The program's goal is to instill a love of reading in our students.



**5th Grade Track** Meet [Left] - 509J 5th graders have been taking part in an end of year event like this for nearly three decades! It's a way to introduce the 5th grade students from across the district to each other. The kids competed in events like the long jump, softball throw, frisbee toss, and running events.

## We Care For Each Other

Bridges High School [Right, Top Picture] - Math teacher, Julie Marino, was named 509J's May Certified Employee Spotlight! This is her 18th year with the district. She teachers Math, Science, and Art at Bridges High School. Marino graduated from MHS in 1995!

"I love when we are trying new math or trying new things,"
Marino said. "Everyone is struggling for a while and I love to see the light bulb click and when it finally does they can do great. They soar."





Food/Nutrition Services [Left,
Bottom Picture] - Madras High
School's Head Cook, Kim Brown,
was named 509J's May Classified
Employee Spotlight!
Brown has worked for the school
district for nearly 18 years. She's
worked at a number of schools, but
started her time at Madras High
and is now back after getting the
promotion to Head Cook.

"I really love working with kids.
Kids are awesome. I have nine
grandkids so it's nice to come back
and see the kids, work with the
kids being able to see them first
thing in the morning. I like to say
good morning and see how they're
doing for the day."

MHS [Right] -More than 120 graduates arrived early at **MHS Stadium** with the full support of family, friends, and the community to celebrate them on June 4th. The day marked the end of their K-12 journey as they prepare to take the next steps in their lives. Congrats

to the class of

2022!





Bridges High School [Above] - Bridges High School graduates arrived early at the Performing Arts Center. The class of 22 was supported by their friends, family members, and the community as they prepared to finish off their time in high school. The day marked the end of one chapter, but the beginning of the next chapter in their lives. Congrats to the class of 2022!