


# STEM Magnet Parent Orientation

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**Innovate  
& Elevate**

**JONES STEM MAGNET  
MIDDLE SCHOOL**

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### We need chaperones

Northside's background checks reset each school year.

<http://hrvolunteer.nisd.net>

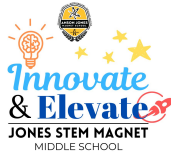
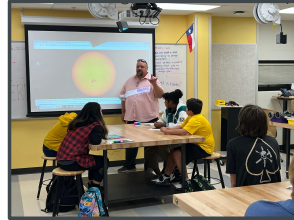


## Small Group Opportunities

Speakers

Trips

Programs



## Student Volunteers

Elementary STEM Nights

Jones STEM Open Houses

Magnet Fairs



## Student Code of Conduct



All pants must be full length and worn at the waist.



Pants with holes bigger than 1 inch & above the knee, spandex, sagging and pajama bottoms are prohibited.



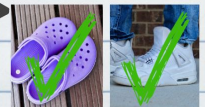
All t-shirts must have sleeves, be an appropriate length and have suitable wording (if any).



Strapless shirts, spaghetti straps, crop tops, sleeveless shirts, muscle tees, inappropriate wording or graphic tees are prohibited.



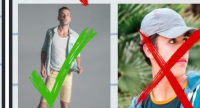
Appropriate foot wear must be worn. Crocs are acceptable, although tennis shoes must be worn in PE.



Flipflops, sandals, slides, and/or steel toed boots are prohibited.



Skirts, dresses & **denim or khaki shorts** are allowed if they are no more than 4 inches from the kneecap. Any shorts worn must have belt loops and be secured with a belt.



Body piercings (with the exception of ear), athletic shorts, short shorts, caps, hats and beanies are prohibited.

## What else is in there?

**IT'S NOT JUST WATER VAPOR!**

Secondhand aerosol contains nicotine, ultrafine particles, and toxins that are known to cause cancer

### CHEMICALS IN E-CIGARETTES:



#### NICOTINE

Nicotine causes addiction, impairs memory, processing emotions, and impulse control



#### CADMIUM

Cadmium causes pneumonia-like symptoms which is cadmium poisoning



#### DIACETYL

Diacetyl causes popcorn lung, a serious lung disease

## Financial Repercussions

- Minor in possession of tobacco – new age is 21 as of September 1, 2019. The law is now worded as a minor commits an offense if they possess, purchase, consume, or **accept** a cigarette, e-cigarette, or tobacco product.
- Also, the exception for use in the presence of a parent, guardian or spouse has been removed. You can still be charged even if a parent “approves” of the tobacco use.

## Minor in Possession of Tobacco

- Class C Misdemeanor
  - Fine: \$100
  - Minor has to attend an e-cigarette and tobacco awareness program.
  - Lost day(s) of work

## Criminal Implications

Children between the ages of **10 and 16** years of age can be charged with a crime.

At the age of **17**, the person will be charged as an adult.

## College Financial Aid

Convictions for possession or distribution of illegal drugs can disqualify you from some forms of student financial aid.

## Military Service

Felony convictions make it an uphill battle to join the military or become an officer. All branches of the military seek candidates with "sound moral character."

## What can we do?

1. Educate ourselves.
2. Have those conversations with our kids.
3. Be the example.

## Citizenship Expectations

### Behaviors

- Student code of conduct & digital use policies
- Respect for others
- Academic focus

### Consequences

- Campus behavior plan
- Potential removal from the magnet program



## Ms. Galvan

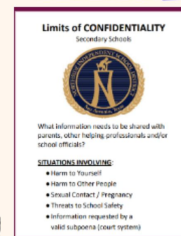
STEM Magnet Counselor



### Limits of Confidentiality

### 4 Components of a counseling program

1. Guidance
2. Responsive Services
3. Individual Counseling
4. System Support



### Upcoming Event

- October 11th, 9:30  
Parent Cafecito-Child  
Safe presenters

### Resource

[www.findhelp.org](http://www.findhelp.org)

## HS Credit Courses

- 7th Grade Engineering & Biotechnology
  - 8th grade Algebra I
  - 8th Grade Computer Science & Robotics
  - 8th Grade Future Investigations
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- Requires 90% or better attendance
  - Impacts HS Grade Point Average

## Upcoming Events

- October 25 – Trunk or Treat
- November 12 – Parent Meeting
- February 18 – Parent Meeting
- March 1 – Jay SEA STEAMfest
- March – Multicultural Night
- April 8 – Parent Meeting
- May 14 – STEM & GT Showcase

## RSVP for October Cafecito

October 11

9:30 AM

Jones MS Library

Internet Safety Presentation  
Title I Information



JOIN US FOR COFFEE AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

**COUGAR CAFECITO**  
PRESENTATION ON  
INTERNET SAFETY  
FROM CHILD SAFE  
AND IMPORTANT  
TITLE I  
INFORMATION

October 11th @ 9:30AM  
Located in the Library

Please sign up using the  
link below

<https://childsafe.thoughtindustries.com/learn/course/netsmartz-for-parents-anson-jones>

**More  
Family  
Engagement  
Dates to  
come!!!**



**Contact  
Amanda Gonzalez,  
Family Liaison  
if you have  
questions**

## Join Jones MS PTA



\$10 Membership



## Background Check Form

Annual background check to  
volunteer at NISD campuses or  
chaperone school trips



## Volunteer for STEM Field Trips



Complete this form to let us  
know you are interested in  
helping to chaperone STEM field  
trips this school year.

(Be sure to also complete the  
background check form.)