



Week of March 4, 2024 to March 8, 2024

Attention: Emerson Students & Families

Important Dates:

You may check the Emerson Website Calendar for other, future dates:

<https://emerson.djUSD.net/about/calendar>

- **Kona Ice After School Dates:**

- **3/5, 3/7, 3/12, 3/14, 3/19, 3/21, 4/2 and 4/4**
- **March 6:** Rising/Incoming 8th & 9th Grade Parent Information Night, 6 - 8pm, Indoor Commons (IDC)
- **March 7:** Spring Summit - **school ends at 12:30pm**
- **March 13:** Spanish Version, Rising/Incoming 7th, 8th & 9th Grade Parent Information Night, 6 - 8pm, Emerson Library
- **March 22:** Talent Show During 4th period, Rally Schedule
- **March 22:** Last day to pre-purchase a 2023-2024 yearbook (\$45)
- **March 25 - 29:** NO SCHOOL, Spring Break

- **CELL PHONE/HEADPHONE STUDENT EXPECTATIONS**

- Cell phones can ONLY be used during lunch and are NOT to be used for calls, texts, social media, games, checking the time etc. during classes or passing periods.
- Personal speakers are not to be used on campus.
- Headphones can ONLY be used during lunch and are NOT to be used during classes or passing periods. Cell Phones must NOT be visible in any room on campus during nutrition breaks or class time. This INCLUDES passing periods.
- Cell phones may NOT be used while a guest teacher is subbing for an absent teacher.

- ***Students' communication with parents*** using cell phones during school is discouraged. Therefore, please remind students that if they need to communicate with their parents, they should go to the front office to call home.
- Cell phones should NOT be used to access Canvas, students should use their computers for Canvas.
- Cell phones may NOT be used as a reading device during the school day.
- ***Students are NOT allowed to record other students or staff members.***

- **Dropping items off at school for your student:**

- Please make sure your student has the items they need before leaving home each day. Staff cannot be responsible for making sure items left in the office are given to students.
- If an item is left in the office for a student to pick up, be sure to let your student know ahead of time.

- **Is your student on an athletics team for Emerson?**

- If your student is playing soccer or boy's volleyball, please be sure to pay your **\$25.00 PER STUDENT, PER SPORT** requested donation. This much-needed donation covers coaching costs, uniforms, uniform cleaning, equipment, referee fees as well as league fees. We cannot have a sports program without these contributions. You may donate by either sending cash or check in to the Emerson office or by donating online at the [Webstore](#)
- Check the [Emerson website](#) for more details and for all athletics paperwork requirements and sports schedules!
 - THANK YOU, Stephanie Yandel, Athletics Director
syandel@djusd.net

- **7th & 8th Grade Track and Field Sign up:**

- Please use this link to sign up to be on the 7th & 8th grade track and field team:
- https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfxfdVN6x7JFTt8tinQY4bwyf9ZSHOejPijKYiidjXrNTUe8g/viewform?usp=sf_link
- You **MUST** have **ALL** paperwork turned in **NO LATER** than April 8th. **THERE WILL BE NO EXCEPTIONS** for late paperwork.
- Click on this link for all paperwork needed:
- <https://emerson.djusd.net/athletics>

- Please email syandel@djUSD.net to check if paperwork has been submitted.

- **Current 9th graders interested in DSHS Football Next Year:**
 - The head football coach from DSHS will be here at lunch on March 11th in the Gym, to share info about the High school football program- for students only!

- **Yearbook Sales - \$45 until March 22nd!**
 - All purchases need to be made through the Walsworth site <https://yearbookforever.com/> School name: Emerson Da Vinci JHS.
 - **The price is \$45 until March 22nd.** Sales will close after that date and reopen the first week of June when the books are distributed.
 - In June, a limited number of copies MAY be on sale for \$50, on a first come, first served basis. More details will be sent out in late May.
 - ***Want to be a Yearbook Angel?*** You can purchase a book through the online store. First name "Yearbook" & last name "Angel." Before distribution, our administration and counseling department will compile a confidential list of deserving students. Around the time of distribution, the counselors will reach out privately to students who will receive donated books and let them know that a yearbook was purchased on their behalf.
 - **Photos** of Emerson/Da Vinci students at their sporting events are still welcome! Send photos and questions to Ms. Eberle (jeberle@djUSD.net)
 - If you already bought a yearbook online or in person, you will not need to do anything further.
 - Feel free to email Deziree dsutliff@djUSD.net to ask if your Emerson student already made a yearbook purchase

- **Battle Of The Books Coming Soon!**
 - Do you love to read?! The Battle of the Books is coming soon to the Emerson & Da Vinci Library! Create a team of 3 to 5 people and read a great selection of books -- then show your trivia skills and compete on Friday, May 10th! Team applications are available in the Library. Submit your team registration by March 22nd! More information in Canvas at <https://djUSD.instructure.com/courses/6499/pages/battle-of-the-books-2024>

- **Are you a student who wishes to apply for Student Government for the 2024-2025 School Year?**
 - If you are a student who wishes to apply for Student Government for the 2024-2025 school year, please click on this link or copy and paste it to your web browser
 - https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdnt352spXg7UF303GcqVyNCopJKzh2o1qNLXOPiLRRJUwofQ/viewform?usp=sf_link
- **Deciding what elective to take next year? Current 7th and 8th graders are invited to join the AVID elective!**
 - AVID's goal is to prepare students for success in high school classes and college. In AVID, students can expect: (1) to receive academic instruction in writing, note-taking, studying, test taking, and organizing; (2) to receive academic support from college tutors, their teacher, and their peers through collaborative tutorial groups; and (3) to pursue academic excellence through goal setting, rigorous classes, classroom guest speakers, and AVID team building.
 - ***To Apply:***
 - Get an [application](#) from Ms. Byrne (rbyrne@djusd.net, room A3), the Counseling Canvas Page, or the front office.
 - Fill out the application and return it to Ms. Byrne by March 15th.
 - Application review and interviews will take place in March and April.
 - If it is a fit, you will get your acceptance letter mid-April!

Clubs & Leadership:

- [All Clubs Offered at Emerson](#)
 - For questions regarding clubs or student leadership: kdrewry@djusd.net
- **EDV Black Students Union**
 - You can still join us! We meet Wednesdays in S-4 @lunch
 - Contact tskiles@djusd.net or jeberle@djusd.net for all information
- **Intermediate Programming Club**
 - Contact Ms Terra for info: jterra@djusd.net
- **The D&D Club**
 - Meets Mondays and Fridays from 3:40 until 5:00. Not every campaign meets both days. If you are a DM looking for players or a new player looking for a game, we will be forming groups as needed. No prior experience is needed to join the club. The club

is limited by the number of available Dungeon Masters available to run tables.

- Club advisor: Mr. Teves (jteves@djusd.net)

- **Yearbook Club**

- Pre-purchase your Emerson 2023 - 2024 Yearbook from [Walsworth](https://yearbookforever.com/) (<https://yearbookforever.com/>) School name: Emerson Da Vinci JHS) for \$45 until March 22nd. No more pre-orders will be made after this date.
- Photos of Emerson students are welcome, especially if you are at a sporting event with our freshmen. Please send them to jeberle@djusd.net.
- Club advisor: Ms. Eberle (jeberle@djusd.net)

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