Happy Finals to All!

JCHS Business Office is Going Green!
Every day, we’re working to find more efficient ways to communicate with you and your fellow students. We want to ensure we’re providing you with easy-to-use and convenient tools that you need to complete your education at JCHS while also being environmentally responsible. As part of this effort, the JCHS Business Office is “Going Green” by eliminating paper bills that are mailed to your home. Instead, you’ll now find your tuition bills online via your Self-Service account at https://selfservice.jchs.edu/Home.aspx.

You Could Win Just by Paying Your Spring 2013 Tuition!
Self-Service provides quick access to your account 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year, and allows you to pay your bills online with just a few clicks and key strokes! To ensure the entire JCHS community is aware of Self-Service and our transition to online billing, the Business Office is holding drawings for great prizes twice a week between November 26 and December 14. To be eligible for the drawings, all you have to do is sign on to Self-Service and pay your tuition for the Spring 2013 semester. Winners will be drawn randomly from the students who pay their bills that week. It’s that easy to win!

Please note that you are eligible to win only during the week you submit your tuition payment. All tuition payments are due to the JCHS Business Office no later than Friday, Dec. 14, 2012. Winners will be announced to the JCHS community via e-mail. For more information about online billing, Self-Service, or the Going Green prize drawings, contact the JCHS Business Office at (540) 985-9784.

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JCHS Remembers Kimberly Smith, M.O.T.
All of us at JCHS are mourning the loss of Kimberly Smith, Assistant Professor and Academic Fieldwork Coordinator for the JCHS Master of Science in Occupational Therapy Program, who passed away on November 8, 2012. Learn more about Kim on our memorial tribute webpage: http://www.jchs.edu/page.php/prmID/1047

Save the Date

Final Exams: December 10-14
Fall Commencement: December 14 @ 10:00 AM
New Student Orientation: January 7
Classes Begin: January 9

Interprofessionalism

In the years I have spent in health care, the most valuable interprofessional relationships I have experienced are those in which mutual respect and sincere appreciation for the unique expertise of each individual are embraced. The opportunity to come together in a collaborative manner creates an arena for teamwork at its best. The application of clinical reasoning to a cumulative knowledge base allows the professional team to challenge themselves to a higher level. Strong supportive interprofessional relationships are essential building blocks to ethical decision making and a catalyst for growth beyond our educational foundation.
**The Night Before Finals**

Twas the night before finals, and all through the college, the students were praying for last minute knowledge.

Most were quite sleepy but none touched their beds, while visions of essays danced in their heads.

Out in the taverns a few were still drinking, and hoping that liquor would loosen their thinking.

In my own room I had been pacing, and dreading the exams I soon would be facing.

I drained all the coffee and brewed a new pot, no longer caring that my nerves were all shot.

I stared at my notes but my thoughts were all muddy, My eyes went ablur, I just couldn’t study.

I’d nearly concluded that life was too cruel, with futures depending on grades had in school.

When all of a sudden our door opened wide and Patron Saint Put It Off ambled inside

His spirit was careless, his manner was mellow, he looked straight at me and started to bellow:

What kind of a student would make such a fuss, to toss back at professors what they tossed at us?

On cliff notes, on crib notes, on last year’s exams. On wingit and slingit and last minute crams!

His message delivered he vanished from sight but we heard him laughing outside in the night.

Your teachers have pegged you so just do your best.

Happy Finals to all and to all a good test!!

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**The Inaugural Jefferson College of Health Sciences 5K Riverside Run and Wellness Walk**

On Saturday, November 10, JCHS hosted its first 5K Riverside Run & Wellness Walk. The event benefited SARA, Inc. (Sexual Assault Response Awareness) and the JCHS Alumni Association. The event drew over 200 participants and 70 volunteers, including students, faculty, staff, and members of the Carilion and greater Roanoke community.

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**Happenings**

**Health Psychology Club Candy Cane Drive**

The Health Psych Club will be selling candy canes, 2 for $1, December 4-6 from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM on the 5th and 6th floor common areas. All proceeds will benefit Angel Tree gift recipients.

**American Medical Student Association Food Drive**

On Halloween night, AMSA collected nonperishable items including canned goods, bottled water, and cereal to “trick or treat so others can eat.” All items were donated to Kroger, who worked with a local news station to collect items. Of every three items donated, one was collected for Feeding Southwest Virginia and two items were for the Hurricane Sandy disaster relief program.

AMSA’s next project involves collecting and distributing Christmas presents, mostly personal care items, to the elderly. Submitted by Alexandra Brumfield, Biomedical Sciences.

**Help Create “Welcome Home” Baskets for Veterans**

The JCHS Nursing Department is collecting items for residents of Trust House, a shelter for homeless veterans, families and individuals. The items will be used in “Welcome Home Baskets” for the veterans as they transition from the shelter to permanent housing.

Please consider donating new or “gently used” twin sheets, blankets, pillow cases, pillows, bath towels, hand towels, and wash cloths. Additionally, the following inexpensive items are also welcome if new: shower curtains, bath mats, toilet paper, and small plastic laundry baskets. Throughout this season of giving, donations will be accepted at the JCHS Museum (3rd floor), The Dog House (4th floor), and the lounge area outside the Library (5th floor).

**Student Nurses Association Shoe Drive**

In November, SNA sponsored “Sneakers for Santa.” Donations benefited teens residing at Hope Tree Family Services Center in Salem, VA.

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**Send your club or program news to ghclary@jchs.edu**