

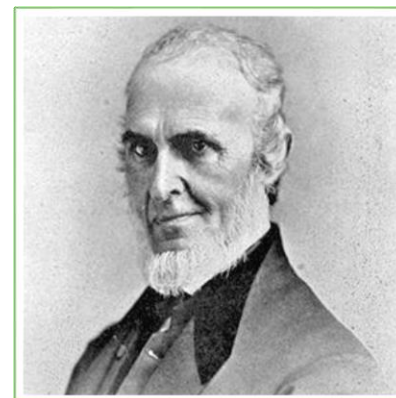
JGW PTO

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Upcoming Events

August 26

Open House

August 27

First Day of School

August 30

Half Day/Back to School
Bash

Dear JGW Families,

Welcome back to school! We are excited and looking forward to a productive school year. The JGW PTO is a group of parents and staff who are dedicated to helping the students. Our goals for the 2019-2020 school year are:

Goals:

- Improve the library and purchase high quality books
- Create a STEM closet
- Provide funding for special school community events

The JGW PTO meets once a month on Wednesday from 6:00-7:30 pm. Our first meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 11th from 6:00-7:30 pm in room 10. Free childcare will be provided. We hope to see you there!

PTO Meeting Dates

September 11th

October 9th

November 13th

December 4th

January 8th

February 12th

March 11th

April 1st

May 13th

June 10th

PTO Executive Board

- Principal: Brian Gill
- Assistant Principal: Tim Betty
- PTO President: Corinne Cooper
- PTO Vice President: David Habib
- PTO Treasurer: Amanda Murray
- PTO Secretary: Jen Rubera

A CLOSER LOOK: JGW PTO GOALS

Goal: Improve the library and purchase high quality books

Fostering a love of reading is important to Haverhill staff and families. According to Dr. Marotta's 2018-2019 entry plan, "District-wide there is a lack of appropriate books that engage all learners in the love of reading. Libraries and classrooms across the school system want for an influx of fresh books that are culturally diverse and allow children to both see themselves and look into the lives of others. The district employs only three library/media specialists in its 17 schools." The JGW School Library is in need of improvements. Currently, we have many books that are outdated, worn, and do not represent the children they are intended to serve. The JGW PTO would like to support district efforts to improve the school library through a deselection process ("weeding") and research process of appropriate grade level texts that meet standards for text complexity.

Goal: Create a STEM closet

Haverhill Public Schools purchased and implemented the STEMscopes Science curriculum for the 2018-2019 school year. While it came with some supplies, there are many essential and necessary items that were not included. The JGW PTO will organize and create a STEM closet with materials that can be used for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

Goal: Provide funding for special school community events

The PTO provides financial support for many school events. For the 2018-2019 school year, the JGW PTO provided catered food for the NJHS induction ceremony, Grade 6 Veterans Day Ceremony, and Staff Appreciation during Teacher Appreciation Week. The PTO also sponsored a sports banquet, pasta dinner, and helped with field trips and enrichment requests from staff.

