

## SAFETY

Our school is a safe school. We have 25 security cameras and a buzz-in camera system for the front door. We frequently practice all emergency drills and we received a perfect score on our safety audit.



## TALENT DEVELOPMENT

J. V. Washam has a full time Talent Development Teacher. She co-teaches with teachers who have the talent development students grouped in their classrooms. The Talent Development Teacher utilizes the William and Mary Curriculum, a specialized program which challenges our Talent Development students.

## STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

J. V. Washam teachers and staff work to meet the individual needs of your child. When students have special needs, teachers work together with parents to create Individualized Education Plans. We have an inclusive philosophy at J. V. Washam Elementary School.



## EXERCISE FACILITIES

J. V. Washam Elementary School has a football field and a full size gymnasium that features a wooden floor, bleachers, electronic scoreboard, and climbing wall. These excellent exercise facilities are made possible through a partnership with Cornelius Parks and Recreation. We are truly a community school.

## GET INVOLVED

- Volunteer in the classrooms
- Get involved with the PTO
- Take and Make items for the class
- Become a Room Parent
- Attend school family events
- Attend lunch with your child
- Assist students in a club
- Donate supplies
- Assist with fundraising
- Attend class parties and events

## HAWKS NEST PLAYGROUND

In addition to the two original playgrounds, J. V. Washam Elementary School recently built the Hawks Nest playground. This was made possible by generous grants from the Jimmy Johnson Foundation, Lowes Home Improvement, and several other community sponsors. We have strong community support at J. V. Washam Elementary School.

## SCHOOL STORE



The PTO operates a school store that sells a variety of J. V. Washam Hawks spirit wear and school supplies.

**School Hours:** 7:45am -2:45pm

**School Website:**  
[www.schools.cms.k12.nc.us/jvwashamES](http://www.schools.cms.k12.nc.us/jvwashamES)

GREAT KIDS  
GREAT CHARACTER  
GREAT SCHOOL

# J.V.Washam Elementary School



## Hawk Pride!

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# J.V.Washam Elementary – Great Kids, Great Character, Great School!

## A SUPPORTIVE PTO

J. V. Washam Elementary School has a robust, active Parent Teacher Organization that sponsors the Father/Daughter Dance, Mother/Son Event, Charity Basketball Game, Faculty/Parent Kickball Game, Holiday Shop, School Store, and Book Fairs. The PTO raises over \$150,000 each year to support the school. We have a Parent Room for our parents to work and meet. The PTO communicates weekly through the Hawkeye Newsletter. All parents are a part of the PTO as no dues are needed. Parents can be PTO board members, committee chairpersons, committee members, or general members.



## TECHNOLOGY

At J. V. Washam, we utilize leading edge educational technology such as interactive whiteboards, two computer labs, wireless internet connections for all classrooms, multiple sets of IPAD carts, Chromebooks in the Media Center, and weekly IPAD and Technology classes.

## ALLERGIES AND OTHER HEALTH NEEDS



Our school has peanut free classrooms for students. All staff are trained in the use of the EPI Pen. The school has first responders and a school nurse to address health incidents. We can administer prescriptions with a doctor's order. Please communicate with the front office and your child's teacher about any allergies or health needs that your child may have. The cafeteria is able to meet the special dietary needs of our students. We care for your children as if they were our own.

## STRONG ACADEMICS

J. V. Washam has a history of academic excellence since our opening in 2006. We provide a strong foundation in reading, mathematics, writing, science and social studies to prepare our students for high school college, and their professional lives.



## THE ARTS

J. V. Washam provides weekly music and art classes for our students. The music program provides opportunities for our students to read, write, and compose music utilizing multiple instruments including recorders, drums, and guitars. The art program provides students with experiences in painting, weaving, pottery, drawing, and other techniques.

## STUDENT ACTIVITIES, LEADERSHIP, AND RECOGNITIONS

J. V. Washam students can join a number of student organizations including the Leadership Club, Yearbook Club, Safety Patrol, Girls on the Run, Science Olympiad, Math Olympiad, Jump Rope Club, and Morning News Crew. Students can also run for Student Council. We recognize students for their positive achievements through daily announcements on the morning news program and through quarterly awards ceremonies.

## CHARACTER EDUCATION

Students at J. V. Washam are taught to exhibit great character and understand their emotions. We utilize the "Top 20 Effective Teachers" program to provide character education for our students. There are daily recognitions as well as Quarterly Principal Awards for students who exhibit excellence in working hard and taking care of others. In addition, we recognize students demonstrating the character trait of the month. Our students have great character!

## A GREAT STAFF

J. V. Washam has a dedicated, caring, professional staff. Many teachers bring their own children to J. V. Washam and live in the community. It is truly a family school. Many staff members have multiple years of experience and several have earned their National Board Certifications and/or graduate degrees. J. V. Washam staff is second to none!



## GARDENS

At J. V. Washam, we have several gardens where our students can learn about horticulture through first hand experiences.

