

# JHW Inspire Academy ~ Bell

Edition 1 of 6

## New Look, New Feel!

Welcome to a new school year at the JHW Inspire Academy at Bell County JDC. We have worked hard over the summer to give the education building a fresh look and integrate the positive mindset vision we have for our students. Classrooms have been cleaned and teachers are excited to be back. Our school library has been upgraded with new books and a new look! Students can check out books on a weekly basis to support their independent reading skills after the school day has ended.

Our students receive their educational services in the four core academic subjects of ELA, Math, Social Studies, and Science. Additionally, we have a Homeroom class built into the schedule dedicated to academic intervention time, social and emotional learning, and credit recovery or acceleration opportunities. Upon arrival, students are assessed in reading and math using the Renaissance Star program. This gives teachers data to use when planning for student needs and filling any gaps through intervention instruction. Students are re-assessed every 30 days to determine progress. Our goal is to support students in their learning path so they can easily transition back to their home campus. We are dedicated to the continuous learning of all students!



**BRAINATION**  
INSPIRING GREATNESS

**Our Motto:**  
You are **STRONGER**  
than you seem,  
**BRAVER**  
than you believe, and  
**SMARTER**  
than you think!



# Science Spotlight

Teaching science when students are in different courses can be a challenge and requires creative planning. Recently, our students conducted a lab experiment that met the learning goals for Chemistry, Biology, and IPC at the same time. Students were able to explore the changes to a gummy bear when introduced to various solutions over time. Topics of learning covered physical and chemical changes, levels of acids in solutions, osmosis, and the scientific process.

Learning through investigations and inquiry are some of the best ways for students to understand science concepts and naturally explore topics in an authentic way. Inquiry-based learning is student-centered in nature. It leads the student through a discovery process by investigation, experience, and research. Research shows that students score higher on achievement tests with an inquiry-based approach, compared to students taught with traditional methods.

