

New to Jackson and don't know what Finally Friday is? Read on!

Finally Friday is a **Jackson tradition** that goes way (way way) back. Staff members gather, unofficially and voluntarily, on Friday mornings (usually in the Career Center) to collaborate (chat, celebrate, commiserate, converse) with their colleagues. It is a way to bring the week to an end, get out of your classroom, see someone who you haven't seen in a while, support one another, share a joke, discuss new ideas—what worked, what didn't....

This is done with COFFEE and GOODIES.

The coffee is made by the students in the STRIVE program (they set it up Thursday afternoon).

The GOODIES are brought by the staff members—depending on which Friday it is, and what planning period they have (see below for the breakdown).

- ☆ The **first Friday** of the month the Bringers of the Goodies are those with **FIRST AND SECOND PERIOD PLANNING**.
- ☆ The **second Friday** of the month the Bringers of the Goodies are those with **THIRD AND FOURTH PERIOD PLANNING**.
- ☆ The **third Friday** of the month the Bringers of the Goodies are those with **FIFTH AND SIXTH PERIOD PLANNING**.
- ☆ The **fourth Friday** of the month the Bringers of the Goodies are the **counselors, paras, and those without a planning period**.

What should you bring? Well, donuts are always popular, as are bagels with cream cheese; fresh fruit is always welcome; smokies, sausage, and breakfast casseroles are also devoured with relish. Just about anything goes! (You'll get a friendly reminder Thursday morning!)

Won't you please join your colleagues this FRIDAY in the CAREER CENTER for FINALLY FRIDAY!