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Dear Jefferson Families,

It is with great excitement that I welcome you to the 2020-21 school year! On behalf of the Jefferson staff, I want to share with you how thrilled we are to have the pleasure of educating your child this school year. As you know the St. Louis Public School District has determined that going 100% virtual for the first quarter of the school year would be in the best interest of all stakeholders. Although the virtual platform is not necessarily how we are accustomed to beginning the school year, rest assured that our staff will do whatever it takes to ensure your scholar receives the very best in what virtual learning has to offer. We are a dedicated school community and will work tirelessly continuing to START STRONG so that we may FINISH STRONG this school year.

As we begin the school year virtually, here is some important information for your review:

* **Technology Distribution-Wednesday, August 26-Friday August 28, 2020-8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**
	+ Families are asked to come to pick up technology on one of the designated days and times. In addition to picking up an iPad/and or hot spot, you will receive a box of school supplies, schedule, login information, directions for technology utilization and other classwork materials and resources. If you are unable to pick up your scholar’s technology on one of the scheduled days please reach out to Ms. Gibson, Family Community Specialist to make alternate arrangements.
	+ Enter through door #10 and follow signs to visit each station. Upon entry your temperature will be taken, and face masks that cover the mouth and nose are required. Because capacity is limited during this time, please allow only 2 members of your family to attend. All stakeholders are asked to follow the 6 feet social distancing protocol while inside of the building.
	+ You will be contacted prior to August 25th so that teachers and staff members may to introduce themselves, invite you to our Open House, and as a reminder to pick up technology and other materials.

**Wednesday-Friday, August 26-28, 2020 Technology & Materials Pick Up 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.**

**Friday, August 28, 2020 Virtual Open House 4 p.m.-6 p.m.**

**August 31, 2020 First Day of Virtual Learning 8 a.m. – 3 p.m.**

* To maintain all safety precautions, our Annual Open House will be done virtually this year. You can still meet your scholars’ teacher, support staff and principal! Each family will be greeted in a general session beginning at 4 p.m., then will join break out groups to meet teachers. You will receive links to join breakout sessions prior to Open House.

As always, Jefferson Elementary School will continue its tradition of putting the education of our scholars first! Should you have questions or concerns, feel free to contact me at (314)231-2459.

Take care,

Leslie

Dr. Leslie A. Bonner, Principal