Kelvin Adams, Ph.D. Superintendent of Schools

## Dear Parents,

August 23, 2021

JaVeeta L. Prince, Ed.S.

Principal

We are so excited to begin the 2021-2022 school year! This year will be different as we return to inperson learning while still adjusting to the changes brought on by the pandemic, but we are hopeful that teachers, students, and parents can come together this year to learn and grow as a community.

The St. Louis Public School district is adhering to strict protocols this year to keep our school communities safe in the pandemic. These include social distancing in classrooms and hallways, wearing masks at all times throughout the day (excepting meal times), and sanitization of all school materials. Additionally, SLPS has a contact tracing team to ensure that any positive cases of the virus will be contained as quickly and effectively as possible. Teachers, students, and administrators alike will be doing their part to keep our schools safe!

A few reminders as we start our school year:

- Students must be on time and ready to go every single school day. The exception to this rule is if your child has ANY Covid-like symptom, in which case they will need to stay home until they receive a negative Covid test.
- Students must be in uniform (including a mask!) every day that they are at school. Students who arrive at school a not in uniform or without a mask will be sent home. Uniform order forms will go home during the first quarter.
- I will be sending students home at the end of the day according to the enrollment form. Please remember if your child is planning to go home a different way than what is indicated on the enrollment form, I must a have a note or call to the Ames OFFICE.
- I am committed to completing academic work during the school day and not overwhelming students with lots of homework. However, some days students will have work they need to complete at home. Please allow a space and time at home to complete this work to be turned in ON TIME.
- Due to Covid, students will not be able to bring in any shareable treats for birthdays or holidays. If there are exceptions for holiday celebrations, I will send information home as it becomes relevant.

Please sign the second page of this letter and send it back to school with your child to acknowledge that you have read and understand all components.

If you have any questions or concerns as the year progresses, please contact me at <u>emma.brummund2@slps.org</u> If there is a more urgent concern, you can call the Ames office phone at (314)241-7165 Thank you for reading and I look forward to a wonderful year of learning! Emma Brummund

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