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PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Good day Jefferson Community,

While the pandemic continues to impact much of daily life in our community, there are a few items that have almost returned to normal at schools across the area. One of those areas is how students experience specialist classes.

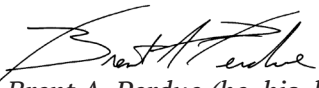
You may remember that school libraries were largely closed last year. I am excited to report that our library is open, and scholars are again digging into the shelves in person.

And in music, which saw no singing or the playing of wind instruments, musicians are back at it! Teachers are receiving specialized masks that will allow our young vocalists to sing their hearts out, while those playing wind instruments will have special covers that prevent the spreading of aerosol droplets, so they too, can make beautiful music.

In fitness and health, students are no longer required to stay in their own individualized space for the entirety of the session. They can now come into closer contact, while masked, for shorter periods, which allows for team-building and a wide range of movement activities.

With how important the arts and movement are to a well-rounded education, body and mind, I am excited that we have found ways for our scholars to again experience the joy of music and movement with their friends and teachers.

Be well,



Brent A. Perdue (he, his, him)
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CALENDAR

October 8
Learning Improvement Day
No School

October 20
Picture Retake Day

October 22
Early Release - 1:45 pm

Thursdays Are T24 Spirit Days

Join your fellow Jefferson scholars and staff each week in celebrating going beyond high school graduation with T24! Every Thursday wear any T (technical school) 2 (community college) 4 (university) gear and let everyone know that you know the importance of learning plans beyond high school!



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SEPTEMBER 27, 2021

CLASSES OF THE WEEK

The PRIDE puppies found their first home on Friday, being awarded to Mrs. Culver's and Mrs. Sims's classrooms. The puppies will stay with them until the next Friday when new classrooms are chosen. Classes of the week also are awarded with some extra time playing a game or doing an activity with Mr. Perdue and/or Mrs. Gage to celebrate.

Classrooms are chosen based on their collective ability to meet PRIDE expectations during their specialist classes (art, fitness and health, library and science). Jefferson's School-Wide PRIDE expectations are:

- Positive problem solver
- Responsible citizen
- Independent learner
- Doing my best
- Earn and give respect



SCIENCE IN THE COURTYARD

The beautiful weather and Jefferson's unique center courtyard make for a perfect recipe for outdoor science. Mrs. Percy, Jefferson's new science teacher, has been making the most of it.

PLAYGROUND CLOSED UNTIL 4PM EACH SCHOOL DAY

The Jefferson playground is closed for 60 minutes after school lets out each day. The playground is reserved for after-school activities and for Jefferson's Express Childcare program. Families are asked to remind their scholars that they are to go straight home after school. Families picking up students are also asked to help by having their children stay off the equipment until after 4pm.



SIDEWALK REPLACEMENT BEGINS THURSDAY

Challenges with finding subcontractors delayed the summertime replacement of the sidewalk at the southwest corner of the school. The construction will begin this Thursday and continue through Friday, October 8. Please be aware that this will impede the walkway on that corner of the school. Families who pick up at that corner of the school will need to make new arrangements during construction because the corner will be fenced off.