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Dear Parents,

We are so excited about the second year at Jefferson Academy. Our building is spectacular and everyone seems so thrilled to be a part of this program of academic excellence. As the Assistant Principal, my main focus is working with school testing, attendance, and discipline.

With testing, I coordinate the administration of the ITBS in the fall, gifted testing, the state writing test, and the CRCT. The state of Georgia Department of Education website (www.doe.k12.ga.us) provides great information on the variety of testing required at each grade level.

Good attendance is a life skill that can best be supported at an early age. We encourage for all parents to team with us to stress the importance of being at school everyday. We will be monitoring tardies, absences, and early checkouts to ensure that our school meets the national requirement of Adequate Yearly Progress.

It is our goal that we help each student here to be the best he or she can be. Our Academy Dragon Agreements are posted throughout the school and in student agendas. These 6 statements are essential in providing a safe and respectful school for all students. Our administration staff values the need for rules, routine, and rigor. With rules, students understand the limits. With routine, students will know the expectations. With rigor, students will best use their time for learning the curriculum.

It is sometimes necessary, unfortunately, that a teacher makes an office referral for consistent inappropriate behavior. When a student is referred to the office, a parent can expect communication from one of the administrators (Gurley, Potts, Holloway). Our typical consequences to office referrals are: an alternative classroom time out (ACT), Opportunity Room in the office area(OR), and suspension(out of school or from the bus). This year we are implementing a Service After School. The following is a description that you can also find in your handbook:

Service After-School (SAS)

Students who are assigned SAS will be required to stay after school for 30-60 minutes. SAS will be held one day per week (Thursdays). Offenses that warrant SAS include, but are not limited to, continuous interruption that interferes with classroom instruction, disrespect to others, minor altercations between students (verbal/physical), and/or any behavior deemed inappropriate by the classroom teacher.

Your signature at the bottom indicates that you and your child are aware and understand the Academy's commitment to giving all students the opportunity to learn.
Thanks again for your continued support.

Parent's signature

Date

Student's signature

Date

