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Parents,

I am so proud of our students, staff, parents, and community for adjusting to our first week back of remote learning so quickly. Time and Time again, we prove that we are not only able to "Do Hard Things," but that we do them well. Thank you!

I am excited to announce that the staff and I will welcome our jaguars back to the building on Monday, 1/10/22, for face to face instruction.

As you know, the rise in COVID cases over the holiday has caused some concern. This continues to create staffing and transportation challenges. We ask for your continued patience as we manage those realities. At Esther Jackson we will mitigate COVID in the coming days by requiring masks of all students and staff, continuing to contact trace, and limiting visitors in the building. We will continue to hold Extended Learning, Prime Time, and STAR House.

Please remember the following:

- Do NOT send students to school if they are sick.... PLEASE
- We strongly encourage families to participate in vaccination and testing opportunities
- Follow public health guidelines and report ANY positive COVID case to the [Parent](#) portal
- Read all District communication related to COVID for updates

### **Parent University - Georgia Milestones and Assessments**

Please join us on Thursday, 1/13/22, at 9:00 a.m. or 5:30 p.m. for our *virtual* Parent University on the GA Milestones and other assessments administered by Fulton County. Although the Milestones is only taken in grades 3 - 5, this presentation is for parents of ALL students in all grades. Look for a TEAMS meeting link on Monday.

### **Early Release Days**

A decision has been made to change the remaining Late Start Days to Early Release Days. This means that on January 24, February 28, and March 21 students will report to school at our normal time; however, we will dismiss at 12:20. We will serve all students lunch and provide bus transportation home.

Lastly, I do understand that our current situation with COVID can be frustrating for all of us. However, we will not panic... we will just **PIVOT**.

Thank you for your continued support.

In Partnership,

Nikol

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