

April 22, 2020

Dear JCPS Families,

We can't express how happy we are with the results of the first two-and-a-half weeks of school at home. Last week, 93 percent of nearly 100,000 JCPS students participated in Non Traditional Instruction (NTI) with their teachers. Some schools even had 100 percent participation. Those are impressive numbers! It's a testament to our parents, guardians, families, students and teachers that we're seeing this kind of engagement with school under difficult circumstances. Thanks to all of you.

We have a couple of other updates to share with you:

- **The last day of school for JCPS students is now scheduled for May 27th.** The Jefferson County Board of Education approved the change from June 3rd to May 27th at its meeting last night. Students will complete the remainder of the school year through NTI. We will likely see many smaller school districts and private and parochial schools finish school before JCPS. Most began at-home schooling March 16th while JCPS needed two weeks to build its NTI system and make sure every student had access to a computer, a hurdle most other districts didn't have to cross. We believe it was time well spent, providing an equitable education experience for ALL of our students.
- **Packets of Educational Materials:** The packets with hard copies of educational materials will no longer be available at every Emergency Food Distribution site. Beginning Friday, April 24th the packets will be available at 14 sites: Blue Lick, Brandeis, Chancey, Crums Lane, Engelhard, Fern Creek, Frayser, Indian Trail, McFerran, St. Matthews and Wheatley Elementary Schools; Carrithers Middle School; and Valley High School and Americana Community Center. We have begun mailing more packets directly to students reducing the need for as many pick-up sites.
- **Show off Your Child:** Please show us how your child is doing NTI at home. You can post short videos or photos on social media and include the hashtags #ThisIsHowINTI and #WeAreJCPSAtHome or you can send them to us at jcps.communications@jefferson.kyschools.us.

We know many of you are social distancing, working from home as well as helping your child with their school work. We understand. Just do your best. The teachers, administrators and staff at JCPS are doing the same. We are here to support you and your child during this unprecedented time in America's history.

Sincerely,

JCPS Communications

