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Dear Amazing Jefferson Families and Staff,

I am so excited to be your new Principal of Jefferson School. I am humbled and honored to have the opportunity to serve this school and inspire and motivate your children every day. I have more than 16 years of responsible experience delivering high quality support for varying student populations and have always put students first.

In collaboration with our incredible teachers and staff, I will work tirelessly to continue the strong traditions that make Jefferson School a pillar of the community. We will continue our focus on character building programs, ensuring our students are college and career ready, building 21st century skills by using data to drive quality instruction, and on providing extra-curricular opportunities. These are at the core of our goals and we will work hard to bring energy every day to each of these areas. We will also focus on the whole child and address the social and emotional needs of every student while making sure to build strong school and classroom communities. They will feel welcomed, connected to each other and the school, and we will show outrageous love every day.

I strongly believe that relationships are at the center of a successful school and I am looking forward to building those partnerships with you. Building a strong school community connects us all and provides the best experience possible for our students. We have a lot of opportunities for you to get involved on our campus, including our phenomenal Monticello Jefferson Parent Faculty Association (MJPFA) who devote their time and energy to supporting events and fundraisers that benefit all of our students. In addition, please be sure to join me for our monthly "Coffee and Conversation with the Principal" where we will highlight and discuss all of the amazing things happening at Jefferson and in the community. I am excited about connecting with you and learning more about your experiences and how we can make them even better.

As your Principal, it is extremely important to me that you feel a part of this incredible journey we will be taking at Jefferson this school year. We are in this together, side by side, and my door is always open. I will assume work on Monday, July 18th and encourage you to visit. You can always reach me at jastrickland@jsdtracy.com or (209) 835-3053. I welcome your valuable input and can't wait to work together and make this a truly phenomenal year!

In partnership,

Jason Strickland
Principal

Take care of each other, take care of yourself, and take care of Jefferson!