



Washington Montessori Public Charter School

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Dear Families,

We hope you and your family are doing well, settling into a routine and relaxation of summer days.

As you may know, the N.C. General Assembly approved some funding for charter schools to host “Jump Start” programs across the state for grades K-4. Defined by the state, the goal is to support students who were identified as not yet demonstrating grade-level mastery on March 13th, the last day of on-site learning. Assessment data along with teacher recommendation will determine if your student will be invited to participate in the program.

The Jump Start program at Washington Montessori Public Charter School will be for 2019-2020 students in Kindergarten through fourth grades. The program will be held on *Monday through Thursday, August 3-6 and August 10-13* from 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Focusing only on reading and math, Jump Start will provide intensive instruction/work in those two academic areas, breakfast for your student, and a ten minute snack break. No Before or After School Care will be provided. If you have medically fragile family members and are uncomfortable with your child physically attending the Jump Start program, you may choose a remote learning option for the two week program.

In accordance with N.C.’s reopening plan, the N.C. Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) will determine on July 1 how schools will reopen on August 17th state-wide for the 2020-2021 school year. On July 1, NCDHHS will **assign** all schools, including Washington Montessori, a plan with specific COVID19 safety criteria in order to reopen. As soon as that plan is assigned, we will know and share the safety protocols that will be mandated for us to follow in both the August 3rd Jump Start Program and the reopening of school on August 17th.

In the meantime, in order to provide staffing, space, food, and other considerations, please contact us by July 15th if your child will be attending the Jump Start program **and** if he/she will be attending on campus or via a remote learning platform. Please respond by emailing Carol (carol.collier@wmpcs.org) or Gay (gay.holton@wmpcs.org) or by calling the school at 252-946-1977. Due to COVID19 restrictions, it is imperative you respond by the due date; the office will be closed on Monday, July 6-10th. After we receive your response, our hope is to be able to extend the opportunity to others in last school year’s K- 4th classes.

Have a wonderful weekend and we look forward to hearing from you!

Thank you,

Darla and Austin