## --Attend Toddy, Achieve Tomorrow-

### Thomas Jefferson Elementary

September Attendance Newsletter 2019

# Helpful Tips for AWESOME ATTENDANCE

- Remind your child that school is their first and most important job!
- Communicate the importance of regular school attendance to your child so they are hearing the same thing we are saying at school.
- If your child is running a fever of 100 degrees or more, vomiting, or have diarrhea they need to be kept home—if they do not have any of these symptoms, please send them!
- Avoid extended vacations that require your child to miss school. Try to line up vacations with the school's schedule. The same goes for doctor's appointments.

### Did You Know?

- Missing only an average of 2 days a month can negatively affect academic performance.
- Poor attendance can influence whether students read on grade level by the end of third grade.

At TJES, our goal is: 95%

August Rate: 97%

August Attendance Rates by Grade:

Preschool: 96%

Kindergarten: 95%

Ist Grade: 98%

2nd Grade: 98%

3rd Grade: 98%

4th Grade: 97%

5th Grade: 96%

#### Statistics to Know-Even Sporadic Absences Add Up!

2 Days a month= 20 days a year (4 weeks)= I year of Kindergarten-9<sup>th</sup>= 200 hours of math missed & 300 hours of reading missed!