



# CAPE GIRARDEAU PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dear Parent or Guardian,

The goal of the *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001* (NCLB) is to ensure that all children in this country receive a quality education. Under the federal *No Child Left Behind Act of 2001*, each state is required to assess all schools to determine if each school has made adequate yearly progress (AYP) toward meeting the academic testing standards set by the state. If the school has not made AYP for two consecutive years in the same subject area, it is considered "in need of improvement." Once a school has made AYP, the school is considered in **School Improvement, Level 2, Delayed**, which means school choice continues until the school makes AYP for two consecutive years in the same subject area.

We are pleased to announce that Jefferson Elementary is in **Level 2 Delayed** action, which means they made AYP in Communication Arts for the 2009-2010 school year. Although we are very pleased with the progress of the students at Jefferson, school choice continues to be an option for the 2010-2011 school year.

*Communication Arts (State Target 67.4%)*

- 3 out of 3 sub-groups met the state target

*Math (State Target 63.3%)*

- Total school (49.2%) did not meet state target (first year)
- 2 out of 4 sub-groups did not meet the state target (first year)

The options for your child are:

1. Remain at Jefferson Elementary school
2. Transfer to a school in the district that has made adequate academic progress

If you would like to exercise your NCLB choice option, please complete the Transfer Request Form included with this letter, and return it to Pat Fanger, Cape Girardeau School District, by **Thursday, August 12, 2010 at 4:30 pm**. The district will provide transportation for your child under a NCLB transfer as long as there is funding available. If the demands for transfers exceed available funding, the priority to provide transportation will be for low-achieving, low-income students. However, all students who request a transfer will be granted one.

Please remember that if you do not complete and return the transfer application by **Thursday, August 12 at 4:30 pm**, your child will remain at Jefferson Elementary. A self-addressed stamped envelope has been included for your convenience. If you have any questions or need additional information, please call Pat Fanger at 335-1867 or feel free to visit us at 301 North Clark and we will work with you to make sure your child finds a school that meets his/her needs.

Again, we congratulate the Jefferson students and staff on making AYP. Jefferson will continue to implement their plan for improvement. One important component of this plan is parent involvement. We encourage you to become involved with your child's education and support school improvement. Regular school attendance, practicing reading, writing and mathematics at home, along with open communication with your child's teacher and school are all ways you can assist to help us improve performance.

Sincerely,

Dr. Jim Welker  
Superintendent

**Request to Transfer Under No Child Left Behind (NCLB)**

This form allows you to request a transfer for your child from a school identified as "in need of improvement" to one that has not been designated as such. If you have questions regarding the transfer process, please contact Pat Fanger at 335-1867 or visit our office at 301 North Clark.

**The deadline for returning this form is Wednesday, August 12, 2010 by 4:30 pm**

<b>Possible Schools</b>	<b>Program Notes</b>	<b>Total School Achievement Levels State Targets (CA 67.4%, MA 63.3%) from 2009-2010</b>
1. Alma Schrader 1360 Randol	Principal, Mrs. Ruth Ann Orr Accountable: Total and 2 sub-groups	Communication Arts 74.2% Math 67.6%
2. Clippard 2880 Hopper Road	Principal, Dr. Sydney Herbst Accountable: Total and 3 sub-groups	Communication Arts 64.7% Math 65.6%
3. Franklin 215 N. Louisiana	Principal, Dr. Rhonda Dunham Accountable: Total and 3 sub-groups	Communication Arts 43.6% Math 55.5%

**Please complete this information if you are interested in transferring your child.**

**Student Information:**

Last Name _____	First Name _____	Middle Name _____
Date of Birth _____		
Address _____		
Parent/Legal Guardian's Name _____		
Telephone: Home _____ Cell/Work _____		
Present School Assignment _____		Grade _____

**Requested School Assignment (list in priority order):**

- 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Is your child currently receiving any special services? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ If yes, please list the services:

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Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Today's Date