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Dear Parents/Guardians:

As we move forward this school year, the faculty and staff at Jefferson Central School have been identifying, planning for, and scheduling students for additional supports in the form of Academic Intervention Services (AIS). The purpose of this letter is to provide you with an understanding of what AIS is and how it is implemented for our students.

Academic Intervention Services (AIS) are academic supports that supplement regular classroom instruction, and/or social-emotional supports that address barriers to academic achievement. The goal of AIS is to enable students to meet State Learning Standards and achieve proficiency in core subject areas as measured by State assessments.

How students become eligible for academic intervention services:

- Scoring below designated standards on State Assessments and/or Screening Tests
- Recommendation by the Response to Intervention Committee
- Report card grades, classroom performance, attendance records, teacher recommendation or parent requests
- Previous participation in school prior to enrolling in our school

AIS instruction is designed to address individual student weaknesses in a specific area. Our goals are to identify and strengthen these weaknesses to help students be successful in their core classes and to remediate any instructional gaps that may exist. Academic interventions can be provided for students in three ways.

At any time during the school year a student can be referred to AIS by their counselor and/or classroom teacher. The school reviews students' progress throughout the year, collaborates with teachers, and discusses what students need.

If at any time you have questions, please don't hesitate to reach out to the school.

Sincerely,

William Clooney

Principal