Dear Heritage Family,

As we navigate through this unprecedented time in our nation, I want you to know that our primary focus at Heritage Elementary is still the same, student safety and academics. Although our location has changed, our expectations have not.

Remote learning is different for all of us. I realize that when things are different, various emotions may arise. Relax, we will climb this mountain together to make sure that our students are growing. Now, relax means to breathe and don’t worry, not sit down, but climb with us. We need your assistance in this process so that our most precious resources, our scholars, will continue to thrive. Our mission, To provide a foundation that motivates and prepares students to be college or career ready, hasn’t changed and the staff is working diligently to engage our scholars in learning that will be meaningful, engaging and impactful. As much as we are working on our end, we need your help to ensure that scholars are receiving dynamic instruction every day.

Students will have lessons remotely for the reminder of the school year. Our lesson plans consist of live lessons, students interacting with teachers, as well as digital lessons. The Live Lessons, which will be conducted in the subjects of math and ELA, will afford scholars the opportunity to ask questions and get assistance while the lesson is being delivered. On days when teachers are not conducting live lesson, they will have office hours to assist students on their work as well and students will be completing additional work. Our special area teachers are providing lessons for students as well as other teachers who teach students who qualify for other services. Students will have work that needs to be completed every day, just like they do during school.

Our lessons can be found in several locations. They may be accessed through Class DoJo, our school website and in your student’s TEAM group. Class DoJo is our primary way of maintaining detailed information during this season. It is also your go to source to contact your child’s teacher should you have any questions. If you are not connected to Class DoJo, please email your parent liaison, Ms. White at whitea1@fultonschools.org. If you have your teacher’s email address, you can reach out to her as well. The lesson plans will be available on each Friday before the lessons begin and will include lessons for the entire week with explicit daily

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expectations. If students can’t join live lessons, the lessons will be recorded for them to participate later.

Remote learning does not mean that school is out. It simply means that the location has changed. It is the expectation that students engage, participate and complete their assignments because grades are still being taken.

As you know, this is a novel situation for all of us and change impacts our processes. As we continue to overcome the obstacles, there will be additional information which you will need. My primary way of communicating with you will be our messenger system which will call you and send you an email. If you have not been receiving calls from the school, we may not have the correct number in the system. Please email Ms. Boykin @ Boykin@fultonschools.org so that we can ensure that you always receive the most up to date information.

I am excited that we will provide meaningful experiences for students and learning will continue. Stay safe and wash your hands frequently. Let my babies know that I love them, and I can’t wait until school opens so that I can see their faces. If you have questions or concerns, please email me at turnerch@fultonschools.org. Thank you for your continued commitment to help ensure that our scholars continue to excel during this challenging time.

Educationally Yours,

Cheree Turner

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