

# *Jefferson Elementary School*

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Dear Koala Parents and Guardians,

I am happy to announce that we will be having our annual Halloween Parade (if weather permits) this year! The parade will take place on Friday, October 29th at 2:20pm outside the front of the school. This year the parade will be for Kindergarten through Fourth Grade. The Preschool will be doing something during their school day. Preschool teachers will notify their families regarding their planned events.

Students will exit the building through the side doors by the preschool playground and walk the front of the building and in through the Gym Lobby doors. They will march around two times. Parents may distance themselves in the front parking lot to watch. Please limit the number of adults coming to minimize the crowd. We will block off the front lane of the parking lot with cones so you may spread out.

Please follow these safety guidelines:

- **Please **do NOT** send in goodie bags or treats for your child to distribute to his/her classmates.**
- Costume rules that **MUST** be followed:
  - Arrive at school in his/her costume. Staff will NOT be able to help children get dressed in their costumes.
  - Face Mask (for Covid-19 purposes) **MUST** be worn.
  - **ABSOLUTELY NO** Face Paint or Make up can be worn on the face!!!! If your child comes to school with their face painted, they will need to wash it off at school.
  - No props should come to school (i.e. baskets, toy weapons/swords, etc).
  - **Your child should be able to **INDEPENDENTLY** get in and out of his/her costume to go to the bathroom.**
  - When selecting costumes, I would ask that consideration be given for the age range of our students (Preschool - Grade 4). Please refrain from any costumes that have the potential to scare our youngest students.
  - NOTE: Students should be able to sit down in their costumes. As a result, the costumes that have motors to inflate them are not a good option for school, but would be perfect for your Sunday trick or treating expeditions.

I appreciate your cooperation in assisting us in making Halloween safe and fun for all our Koalas! I also ask you to please try not to change your child's normal dismissal routines on this day. Pulling the children out leads to a great deal of confusion. Thank you!

Please also take note that Friday evening, October 29th 2021 will be our PTA Trunk-or-Treat event. There are several ways to participate in this event and it is a favorite here at Jefferson. The festivities begin at 6:30 that evening. Children can wear their full costumes at this event.

Have a wonderful time celebrating!

Sincerely,

Melissa Cosgrove

JES Principal