



Jefferson Football Families and the Westside Community,

I hope that you are well as we begin a new year and new future for Jefferson Football.

Over the recent seasons we have made some strides in our program at the high school level. However, despite our progress some glaring needs remain in our youth and junior high levels of football development on the Westside. That is about to change.

In the past our high school program and youth program have operated independently of one another, and without a strong connection between the two. Going into the 2021 year, our football staff and I are committed to merging those two entities into one. From this point forward, there will be no degrees of separation between our elementary level and our varsity level. We are going to operate as one unit, with high school staff and players coaching, assisting and mentoring our youth program; and with youth players and coaches involved, learning from, and practicing alongside our high school teams. This will be known as the Westside Football Club.

Our vision is to create an environment where all Jefferson football players experience a high level of coaching, learning and development that is consistent and builds upon itself from one season to the next. We want to create a positive upward trend of player development and team mentality that enhances the experiences of our players and contributes to their success at all levels of development and beyond.

This process begins right now with our current eighth graders/2021 ninth graders and extends down to our elementary players. We will be beginning opportunities in Westside Football Club this January that extend into the spring, summer and fall seasons. Please keep an eye out for Westside Football Club information via social media and Cedar Rapids school distribution in the coming days and weeks.

High School Football is a special experience. The bonds that build lasting friendships and strong character begin early in the lives of our children. At Jefferson we are more dedicated than ever to building strong futures for our Westside kids.

Sincerely,

Chris Buesing  
Head Football Coach  
Jefferson High School

