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Dear Parents,

I hope this letter finds you and your family well. We are excited to share with you that High Point will welcome an increased number of students on campus for in-person learning, starting next week.

In December we invited all parents to complete a [survey indicating their preference for student attendance](#). We are pleased to announce that we will be honoring all requests from this survey, including approximately 200 parents who indicated a preference of having their children attend school four days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday). Once the survey results have been processed, we will gradually work to accommodate additional parental requests.

This new four day per week scheduling option, for those who requested it through the survey, will take effect one week from today, on Monday, February 1, 2021. Transportation routes have been adjusted, and bussing will be available to those students on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, starting on Monday, February 1, 2021. During the summer months, High Point worked diligently to create two student cohorts. This cohort plan was designed to have approximately 430 students attend school in-person each day (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday). Starting on February 1, 2021, we anticipate having approximately 300 - 340 students attend school in-person each day, still significantly less than our original plan.

Since we welcomed our students back to campus in September, High Point's approach has been to maximize the frequency with which students are kept socially distant (six feet apart), and to be vigilant with safety protocols (masks, hand sanitizer, cleaning and disinfecting, daily health screenings, etc.). Even though an increased number of students will now attend school in-person, four days a week, the overwhelming majority of classrooms will be able to seat students in a socially distant manner. As has been the case since September, there will be some instances throughout the day when students are closer than six feet -- seated on a school bus, a small number of classes, passing in the hallway, etc.

High Point is deeply committed to the wellbeing of all students and to the paramount role parents play in deciding what is best for their children. We are extremely pleased to be able to support parental choice while continuing to implement fastidious safety protocols. The health, safety and well-being of all students continues to be our priority.

Sincerely,



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