

Dear Parents, Students and Families,

Welcome new and returning Hmong College Prep Academy students to the 2020-2021 school year!

2019-2020 was another great year at HCPA!

- **Financial Aid:** The class of 2020 was awarded **over \$1.5 million dollars** in scholarship and grants, over four years, from the schools to which they were accepted.
- **Graduation rate:** 100% of the class of 2020 earned their diploma (our highest rate of all time!) and 75% confirmed their college enrollment by making a deposit and/or registering for classes.
- **Being an HCPA student for four years:** There is no doubt about it...the longer a student is at HCPA, the higher chance to graduate on time. In 2019-2020, the graduation rate for students who had been with us since ninth grade was 100%.
- **Top 10 Students:** 100% attended HCPA since 9th grade and 50% attended since 6th grade

Distance Learning

- Due to input from our families, staff members and in strong consideration of the Governor's guidelines, HCPA implement distance learning this fall. We will continue to assess the data and keep all stakeholders informed regarding plans for the spring of 2021.
- Parent survey results
 - Due to concern for the health and safety of their families, 75% of HCPA's parents indicated they would not allow their students to attend on-site classes this fall.
- Distance Learning enhancements for Fall 2020
 - More synchronous lessons to increase student engagement and rigor
 - Improved access to technology
 - Increased family support including meal pick up twice per week
- Even during distance learning, we will continue to provide our students the best academics and college readiness programming.

Exciting News - Phase V Expansion

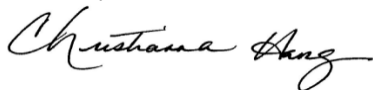
- This fall, we will begin a major campus expansion. The approximate \$25 million project will feature a 72,000 plus square-foot middle school addition with 48 new classrooms and gymnasium as well as a state-of-the-art robotics lab. A skyway will also be constructed that connects the new school to the main campus.
- Renovations will also be made to the current facility including a new student common area, updated office space and an expanded lunchroom.

Important initiatives for the 2020-2021 school year include:

- Providing our students with state-of-the-art technology with iPad access for all K-2 students and Google Chromebook access for all 3-12 grade students.
- Implementing research-based literacy practices that will get our students reading at grade level by third grade
- Providing a mentorship program for new staff
- Implementing Minnesota's new science standards
- Building a strong multi-tiered system of support that ensures all HCPA students' needs are met
- Utilizing ACT Aspire tests in grades 3-9 to ensure all our students are college and career ready
- Continued expansion of our high school AP and CIS course offerings

In closing, please know I am honored, humbled and excited to serve as the Superintendent of Hmong College Prep Academy. I look forward to meeting and working with all students and parents to fulfill the promise and potential of our school district.

Sincerely,



Superintendent

All that a school should be.