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Greetings HCPA Students and Families,

We hope that this letter finds you well in the midst of this holiday season. Through the last several months of distance learning, our HCPA team has appreciated the help and support you have provided to your student to ensure their success during this challenging time. Fostering student learning through distance learning requires a community effort and strong collaboration between school and family. We are proud of the hard work our staff, students, and families have put into making learning at home the best that it can be.

Looking toward our second semester and the start of 2021, we have been carefully considering the perspectives of our students, families, and staff while also analyzing local and regional data on COVID-19 infections. While a vaccine is on the horizon, much uncertainty still exists around its timeline, impact, and availability.

With these many factors in mind, **HCPA has decided to continue with distance learning for all our K-12 students into Semester 2.** This was not an easy decision, but one that we believe will best protect the health and safety of all students, families, and staff. HCPA will continue to monitor local COVID-19 data as well as information from Governor Walz, the Minnesota Department of Education, and the Minnesota Department of Health. Should additional information emerge that deems it safe to return, HCPA will evaluate its plans and work to bring students back on-site by using Hybrid Learning Model or 100% On-Site Learning Model.

HCPA continues to value your feedback and opinions on how we can best support your student and collaborate together during distance learning. We will be distributing our next round of parent, student, and staff surveys after the start of the new year. When you receive your survey, please feel free to share your thoughts on the successes and challenges of distance learning. Additionally, we welcome your ideas on how we can continue to improve.

We thank you for your continued partnership and send you and your family best wishes for health and happiness in 2021.

Sincerely,



Dr. Christianna Hang,  
Superintendent