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Dear Parent/Guardian/Student,

After a successful class of 2020 Graduation two weeks ago, I would like to update you on information concerning the opening of school on September 1st, 2020, which will be a new student day. I would like to caution that all information is fluid and can change quickly and I will communicate to you immediately if there are significant changes.

Of course, Foxcroft Academy's goal is to open the Academy as safely as possible, using CDC guidelines and scientific best practices. With six-foot physical distancing in place, we are busily determining the capacity of each room, hallway passages, bathrooms, etc. to ensure that we do not exceed our safe capacity. We are doing our very best to obtain hand sanitizer, proper cleaning supplies, plexiglass barriers, and the necessary equipment to support a well cleaned Academy on a consistent basis. Protocols and procedures are being developed to guide our daily practices that will support in-person instruction. We are also coordinating with RSU 68, to help support families with students at SeDoMoCha and Foxcroft Academy. It is our goal that we have our students in-person as much as possible.

Here are important points that, at this time, will be in place:

- All people inside the Academy will be wearing a mask. Each student will be provided with a cloth mask but would be allowed to bring one from home. A protocol will be in place for students who need a break from wearing a mask during the day. The science behind wearing a mask is very clear on the ability to lessen the spread of COVID-19.
- All classes will have an online base, with in-person instruction supporting the curriculum. This is being done as students (boarding and day) may choose to stay home and in the likelihood of a case of COVID-19 occurring at school, the Academy will be closed for a quarantine period (a minimum of one week) and instruction can continue.
- We are encouraging that if possible private transportation is used to come to school in lieu of busing. This may increase the ability to attend throughout the week and also free up busing for students who will need it as their primary transportation. This of course is voluntary.

There are many variables that need to be considered and they are changing almost weekly. I will continue to keep you posted and please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have. We will continue to work together to face the challenges in these historic times.

My best regards,

Arnold Shorey, Head of School