



ELEMENTARY COMMUNICATION

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Dear Elementary Parents,

Does anyone else look at the date and wonder just how we got here? Today was supposed to be our annual Celebration of Learning opportunity at our beautiful school with your children! There is part of me that feels so sad this isn't happening, but then I think that each day has turned into a Celebration of Learning for you in your homes! I truly don't mean for that to sound facetious; I believe, you probably now have a deeper understanding of your child and his or her learning than you have ever had before!

I want to acknowledge and thank my teachers in this note to you. Each time I have asked them to work harder, provide more, learn something new, or brainstorm ideas with me, not only have they risen to the challenge, but they have taken it a step further! Please include them in your prayers - for good health, to be able to sustain themselves in faith through this challenge, and in gratefulness for their continued commitment! In many conversations with you, I have heard a similar message on how they have been there for you. Thank you for continuing to collaborate with us to refine our practice as we learn what the best looks like.

In closing today, I want you to know that there are still many unknowns and decisions yet to make. We are looking at and starting to answer questions like: what will our final assessment and reporting look like, how can we still celebrate your children as we would normally do in the awards ceremony, how can we help you over the summer months, and what will school look like in the fall? Please keep praying for us. We don't have all of the answers yet, but we are feeling more comfortable each day in finding new and creative ways to answer each question.

Please continue to give us feedback, let your teachers know how things are going, and know we support you all in your varying circumstances! Be assured of our prayers!

Sincerely in Christ,

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