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Dear TEC Parent/Guardians:

Although we are still living with a great deal of uncertainty one thing remains constant, the strong sense of community that exists between the TEC staff, our students, and their families. Now that this unique school year has come to a close, I want to thank each of you for all that you did to support and encourage your child to engage in the remote learning experiences designed by our dedicated staff. Somehow you withstood the isolation and anxiety of a pandemic and made it to summer! I know it wasn't easy and I think we all gained a new appreciation of the complexities of an integrated team approach to learning!

As you know, at this time we are initially planning on a remote learning environment for our TEC Campus School summer programs, however we are actively exploring contingency plans to provide inperson instruction if and when it is possible. We are working to acquire all of the PPE we must have and developing and implementing health and safety protocols that will allow us to reopen our in-person programs if at all possible, while at the same time remaining vigilant about keeping our students and staff safe and healthy.

As I have previously shared with you, DESE Commissioner Jeff Riley has issued several *preliminary* memos focused on summer programs. His final guidance is scheduled to be released on June 22nd. All schools and districts have been instructed to wait for this further guidance to ensure compliance with DESE's final mandatory standards and procedures for reopening.

Additionally, I am sure that the topic of reopening our schools in the fall is on your mind. At the present time there is no clear answer about what that may look like, however, we are working on plans to reopen our facility and welcome our students back in the fall. Of course, our plans to reopen may change if the Commissioner and public health officials determine it is necessary to do so.

We will keep you updated throughout the summer as we plan for your child's new school year. As always, please feel free to contact your child's program director with any questions.

Sincerely,

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