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Subject: DDDC RE-Entry Plan DELAY

To our DDDC families,

We hope you and your families are well. We are aware of the impact this pandemic is having on so many. We keep those of you who have lost loved ones in our thoughts. We also wish any family members of yours sickened by this illness a speedy recovery. We know that this situation has caused so much uncertainty for all of us.

I am disappointed to report that the DDDC is unable to meet its requirements to open for in-person services on 7/27/20. This delay in reopening is a direct result of our inability to secure a sufficient supply of required N95 respirators because of a surge of COVID cases in other states and the diversion of expected PPE supplies to those areas. Therefore, we have determined that despite our best efforts, we will not be able to open for any in-person services for the remainder of our extended school year program.

This news is undoubtedly very frustrating for you. We share in your frustration. We will continue to do everything possible to obtain the equipment we need to open safely as soon as possible and will continue to keep you posted on our progress.

Take care,

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