Dear Parents/Guardians/Faculty/Staff:

As we near the end of the 2020 – 2021 school year, I would like to highlight four important topics:

**Graduation**

- Despite Governor Cuomo’s announcement last week regarding masks, public schools in New York State are still subject to some COVID-19 public health restrictions. Specifically, we are still expected to wear masks while in school buildings and it is recommended that unvaccinated people wear masks during year-end ceremonies, such as our Commencement Ceremony.

- We have made one change since we share our Graduation plans. We will be placing 8 chairs into the designated area for each graduate. Additional guests that attend graduation will need to be prepared to stand behind our prepared seating area or bring your own chair.

**September 2021**

- At this time, we anticipate that all of our students will return to full-time, in-person instruction in September of 2021. Over the next few weeks, our building administrators, counselors, and social workers will be working with individual families to ensure that all of our students make a smooth transition back to full-time, in-person learning.

- There is still a possibility that public schools in New York State may be required to provide a virtual learning option for some students during the 2021-22 school year. Given this possibility, we are developing contingency plans if we are required to provide a virtual learning option.
Federal Funds

- Our American Rescue Plan (ARP) will be posted to our website prior to July 1 per regulation. Please note that this plan is a living document and we will continue to update it over time as next year progresses.

Thank you for the continued support as we have navigated this past school year. Please send me an email or give me a call if I can provide further clarity on any of these topics.

With appreciation,

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