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Dear Lake Castle Families,

As we complete our first week of distance learning, I wanted to check in with you to let you know how much we miss the students on campus. We have been in the office all week, and it is far too quiet here. As teachers we look forward to spending the day with our students and seeing them grow and achieve. I know that they also enjoy being here with their teachers and their friends, so this time is difficult for us all.

Please know that all teachers are working tirelessly to communicate with all their students and to restructure lectures and curriculum so that the fourth quarter continues without losing any of our goals for each grade level. That is a completely unacceptable thought to me, and there is no way I would let that happen.

This week has been an adjustment for you, I am sure. Juggling your work schedule and having the children home with a lot of schoolwork to do can seem overwhelming. Be assured that I understand that. My advice would be to prioritize core subjects each day, especially math, reading, and English. All subjects are important, but these three are really key in the ability to understand all other courses.

Next week we will continue to send out recorded lectures and instruction, and remember that teachers are available from 8:00—3:00 to answer any additional questions that you or your child may have. Pre-k and kindergarten teachers have been assembling additional packets today that will be available for pickup next week, barring anything unforeseen. Please look for communication from your child's teacher to indicate a day and time for pickup.

I have attached an audio recording that you may play for your children. Let them know they are our top priority and we will work harder than ever to teach them—even from a distance—until we are back in the classrooms again.

Sincerely in education,

Jane B. McGovern