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To JFK Eagle Scholars and their Parents and Caregivers:

Each year, CMSD engages in a thoughtful school planning process designed to match our school offerings with the needs, interests and choices of our students.

As a result of this planning and discussion, I will help lead an academic design process during the 2019-2020 school year that will result in the creation of a brand-new academic program. We will, of course, honor and maintain the many good things that our school has built, while also looking at ways to pursue new and better opportunities for our scholars. This program, which will launch in the 2020-2021 school year as we move into the new JFK building, will take the place of the existing PACT and Eagle programs.

Because we did not enroll 9th grade at Eagle for the current year and will be opening this new program soon, we will again not enroll 9th grade for the 2019-2020 year. This means that Eagle will only be offering 11th and 12th grades for the coming year. The enrollment challenges that both we and PACT have faced in recent years do not reflect the need for two schools moving forward; thus, we are proceeding with the plan to design one new program.

We are undertaking this work because we believe that we can significantly improve outcomes for CMSD’s scholars. Additional information, as well as opportunities to learn about and be involved in this work, will be shared with you throughout the coming school year.

CMSD is proud to continue creating high-quality options for all of Cleveland’s scholars.

Please don’t hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Andre Rudolph, Principal