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## Dear SCM Family:

It gives me great joy to write to all of you and inform you that we are **OPEN**, and more importantly, **SAFE!** I have missed seeing you all so much over the last few weeks, and hearing the laughter and enthusiasm of our wonderful children throughout the building. The sudden closing of our school disrupted our kids' lives in unimaginable ways, and I know that we are all looking forward to things going back to normal.

The safety and health of your kids is paramount to us. To that end, with input from public health experts across Florida, SCM has developed and implemented a plan for safely reopening our school. Indeed, SCM has invested enormous resources in order to comply with, and many cases, exceed all federal, CDC, and local public health guidance effective immediately. For example:

- Only staff and the children are allowed to enter the classrooms or lunchroom.
- All staff will be required to wear personal protective equipment at all times, including disposable face coverings.
- Deep cleaning and sanitization of all surfaces, including bathrooms, will occur at regular intervals throughout the day.
- All staff and students will have their temperature taken before entering the school.
- Staff will make sure that the children are social distanced and washing their hands multiple times a day.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be placed throughout the school.
- Staff will keep families informed about the latest health guidance.
- Staff and students will be required to stay home if they have tested positive for or show any symptoms associated with COVID-19.

I hope this letter gives you a sense of peace knowing that SCM is doing everything possible to keep your children **safe and healthy**. While the last few months have truly tested our collective mettle, this time has also taught us that no matter what challenges arise, the SCM family has the combined talent, creativity, and resolve to not only respond, but thrive in difficult times.

I love to hear from our parents and students, so please continue to reach out to me with your questions and feedback. I will continue to be in close contact during the upcoming days and weeks to provide clear and timely guidance. Our focus and resolve on educating our students - no matter the challenge - is stronger than any virus. Together, we will get through this.

Sincerely,

Madhu Longani