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Dear Colorado High School Charter Families,

Welcome back to the 2018-2019 school year! I am so excited for this upcoming school year and to work you and your student(s). My goal this year is to make sure every family feels welcomed and supported so that your student(s) are successful. I want to share with you some of the exciting initiatives and opportunities you and your student(s) will have the opportunity to be part of this year:

- **Family Nights:** We will have four family nights each quarter from 4-6 PM. The first family night will be on Thursday, September 13th. Please join us to meet your student's teachers and support staff, learn about how your student is doing in their classes and enjoy some food and refreshments.
- **Home Visits:** We recognize that you have busy schedules. If you ever want a member of administration or staff to come to your home or office we are eager to arrange a meeting. While we love for you to visit our building we want to make sure you know we will come to you!
- **Thanksgiving Baskets:** Every family will receive a Thanksgiving Basket that will be delivered on November 16th. Each basket contains dry food for the holiday and a \$10 gift card.
- **Project Showcases:** You are encouraged to attend Project Showcases that highlight your student(s) hard work and progress in their classes. We will host two Project Showcases, one during the first semester and one during the second semester. Stay tuned for dates and times.
- **Student Advocates:** Every student and family is provided with a "Student Advocate" who is a full time staff member who works to remove barriers so that all students are successful. If you do not know who your Student Advocate is, please contact us immediately so we can give you their contact information.
- **Service Learning Trips:** Last year we took over 60 students on Service Learning trips that connected classroom work to the real world. A group of students and staff drove over 1,000 miles to Houston to help in the relief efforts after Hurricane Harvey and another group of students went on a camping trip in the Great Plains of Eastern Colorado to study the Sand Creek Massacre. These trips were so impactful that we dedicated the week of March 18-22 to Service Learning trips that will span across the United States and internationally.
- **Transportation Offerings:** We purchased a 14 passenger bus that will have several designated bus stops in the city to accommodate transportation for students. We also will continue to provide 2 daily bus tickets for students who attend all classes during that day.
- **Volunteer Opportunities:** If you are interested in volunteering at Colorado High School we would love to have you! If you are interested please contact Josh Trinidad, Assistant Principal at jtrinidad@chscharter.org or text/call him at 970-305-5970.

If you have any ideas, feedback, or questions please do not hesitate to reach out. Thank you for choosing Colorado High School. I am honored to be part of your student's journey!

Sincerely,

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