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Dear Juniors Families,

We hope that you are all having a wonderful summer! We are so excited to be preparing to start the 2021-22 school year. This year we will explore the stories and voices found throughout American history, read captivating books, work through lots of interesting math problems, learn about mountains, kitchen chemistry, and the human body, and make creative art and music together! It is our goal for Juniors students to be actively engaged in meaningful learning experiences that foster both critical thinking and lifelong skills. Students and teachers will be working collaboratively toward creating a sense of community in the Juniors class and beyond, as well as a classroom culture that is thoughtful and fun. Teachers will also be finding ways to celebrate and inspire individual students all year long.

In June, we sent home a book for each student to enjoy and we asked that they use the letter paper and the addressed, stamped envelope to write to us about their favorite part of the book. We have so enjoyed receiving these letters this summer and look forward to hearing from the rest of you before school starts! We will be discussing this book when we return to school.

Attached is a list of supplies that your child will need this year. Please send them in on the first day of school, which is Thursday, September 2nd.

More specific information about homerooms, health protocols, and our daily routine will be sent to you as we get closer to opening day. If you have any questions, at any time, please do not hesitate to ask. We look forward to working with you and your child this year!

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