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Dear Laguna Road Families,

I hope you had a great summer break, and you were able to spend time as a family, rest, and experience adventure. It's hard to believe that we are one week away from the first day of school. We are excited to begin the 22-23 school year! Last year our theme was "Better Together." We knew that the year would be full of challenges and that we would need to lean on and support one another. Thank you for being part of the Laguna Road community where we come together to support our students, staff, and community. We made so many great memories, made excellent academic and social-emotional growth, and regained what we love about Laguna Road - being together!

This year our theme is related to belonging. Not only do we want to be there for one another, we want to be known, and we want to feel like we belong. We hope you will join us in many opportunities to share yourself and your family, and get to know the beautiful and diverse people that make up Laguna Road!

We have many exciting plans to create belonging for our students. We continue to care for the whole child, focusing on social emotional learning and student-centered teaching approaches. We believe that our students must feel cared for, known, and be taught social emotional skills. We also believe that we must hold high academic standards for our students and teach them to think critically so that they can develop as independent learners. We have been selected to continue our Cotsen journey as a third-year school. This will continue professional growth for our teachers to deepen their study and implementation of Balanced Literacy, a reading and writing approach that is asset-based and individualized for students. With our Phelps grant and your support through SOS (Support Our School), we are enhancing our Project Impact Center with new library furniture and updated STEM Lab tables. Students can go into the Project Impact Center to deepen curiosity, explore their passions, and be empowered to create in a way that impacts their world. We are also launching our first kindergarten Korean dual language class with a 50/50 language model. We are excited for children in our community to become biliterate and bilingual, and for the additional opportunities and experiences that will come by being part of a diverse community. Our PTA and SOS Foundation are already making plans for the school year. We hope you will join us in creating memories for our students, and in creating a community where we all belong and work together to make a positive impact in the world.

Here's to a great 2022-2023 school year!

Go Roadrunners! Beep! Beep!

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