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WPA Families,

We want to take this opportunity to provide you with updates on WPA's growth and future. First and foremost, we do intend to have 7th grade next year along with a full Kindergarten. WPA's goal and concentration for the 2017-2018 school year will continue to be academically driven. We, along with the administration, are committed to increasing WPA's test scores while continuing to provide your children with the educational foundation that will allow them to succeed. Extra-curricular activities and sports will be added as we can, but our main focus will remain on academics. We have approved WPA scholars to play in area youth organizations either in partnership with other groups or as a group itself.

Since we've had a delay in construction, our plan for the Middle School is to house the 5th through 7th grades off campus temporarily next year until the building is completed. We are actively working on finalizing these plans and will release the details once that occurs. However, again, we do plan to add 7th grade for the 2017-2018 school year and are excited about our continued growth. While we understand housing some of our scholars off campus may present an issue for those families who have scholars in multiple grades, we are also exploring possible transportation options that would assist those families. This information will be shared once those plans are finalized. The Kindergarten classes will be moved back to the main cottages with the 1st through 4th grades and we plan to open the Preschool with 3 year old and 4 year old classes in the current KinderCottage building.

As we've previously shared, WPA does not own the property and buildings at this time but rather leases them. The financing for construction is the responsibility of the landlord. We have been working diligently with our landlord and land developer over the last several months regarding construction. The financing process has proven to be more involved due to WPA's bond financing being tied with Thunderbird (a charter school in Charlotte). However, we do see that this process will be finalized soon and we will be proceeding with the groundbreaking on the Middle School building. We understand this process has been frustrating for all, but please be assured that we are working very hard toward finalizing the construction plans and will provide you with more updates as they become available.



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As always, if you have any questions, comments, or concerns please do not hesitate to send us an email at wpaboard@wpanc.org. We also invite you to come to the Board meetings. The dates and times of the meetings are posted on our website - wpanc.org. Lastly, if you'd like to meet with us, please send an email and we will be happy to schedule a time to meet.

WPA Board of Directors