



Dear Families-

As we conclude this first week back at school, first and foremost the Board would like to say "Thank you" to each and every one of our parents. Your words of encouragement during this transition have been incredibly heartening. As well, your patience and understanding have been very much appreciated. As parents ourselves, we know it can be frustrating to not have the answer to every question you may like to ask, but we are more grateful than you can ever know for the trust and faith you've entrusted us with.

Interest in and support of Riverview has never been stronger, as evidenced by this week's enrollment figures. In less than a week of open enrollment, we've received 91 new applications! As you know, Riverview is expanding to sixth grade next year, and we will have 57 new kindergarten students plus a few upper grade level openings due to natural attrition. Additionally, of the new applications received thus far, 32% percent are from minority students putting us well on pace to meet our minority enrollment goals.

As far as our transition, we are making great progress in establishing an interim leadership team. We hope to make an announcement on that front very shortly. It will be one of many exciting things on the horizon for Riverview, including the announcement of an exciting new partnership...with a mouse! Stay tuned for more details.

Also, please don't forget our Open House for prospective families on Thursday, January 14 at 6 p.m. The Board will make an informational presentation about charter schools as well as Riverview specifically. At the conclusion of the presentation, parents will be able to tour the school, meet the faculty, and more. We hope you'll encourage your friends and neighbors to attend.

Once again, thanks for all you do for Riverview.

On behalf of the Board of Directors,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Alison H. Thomas".

Alison H. Thomas, Chairperson