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Dear Pearl River School District Community:

As the 2020-21 school year draws to a close, we can reflect on the many accomplishments, as well as challenges, that have been met. Overcoming unprecedented change, we now look ahead with anticipation to the work of the next year. We will continue to commit ourselves to continuous improvement and explore opportunities for advancement and enhancement of the District to better serve the needs of students, parents, and all of our staff members as they carry out the mission of the Pearl River Schools.

On April 19, we initiated our full return to in-person instruction and thanks to the hard work and cooperation of home and schools, we continued operating without interruption - finishing the school year with great celebrations of the learning that has been accomplished by our students. This year's moving up ceremonies at the elementary schools, Pearl River Middle School, and the Pearl River High School's graduation were exceptionally well received and have given us a blueprint for future planning of these events.

Once again, the community's generous support resulted in a very successful budget vote, and we are prepared and well-positioned for the next school year. The budget, together with federal funding through the American Rescue Plan and CRSSA, provides us with the resources we need to support our students' academic growth, while also safeguarding their social and emotional well-being.

I am proud of the work that has taken place this year and commend all of our district staff members at every school who, despite challenges, persevered in making our schools a great place for our children to learn, grow and succeed. I wish all of our Pearl River families a happy and safe summer and look forward to continuing our work in the fall. To those parents who had a child graduate last night from Pearl River High School, I thank you for sharing your children with us and for your support of our schools. I am very proud of the Class of 2021, and wish them great success in their future endeavors.

Sincerely,

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