

Dear Grand Peak Academy Families,

Welcome back to the 2020-21 school year. We are so excited to see our K-2 students on campus and to virtually welcome our K-8 students. This year promises to be a memorable one. While many things went seamlessly and the students rose to the challenges, it's true that some classes got off to a bumpy start.

- We understand the concerns with internet issues some meetings faced, and we are addressing those immediately. Our network administrator believed he found the problem and we believe that tomorrow will run smoother. He was at the school all morning and we have contracted him to be onsite from 7:30-9:30 tomorrow morning.
- We know there were some scheduling issues, about which we are meeting as a staff to determine a more consistent way of running our programming. Some of the changes were initially made to try to focus on building connections and setting expectations with students. We will iron this out quickly and make sure families are informed as soon as possible.
- We also understand some families were not certain how to access the links or find the meetings. This is an issue for which we will be building consistency.

We welcome your feedback as we iron out these issues and ask for your patience and grace as we settle into this new medium and our amazing staff is able to engage and educate our community of learners.

Some successes we celebrate today:

- We loved connecting with all of our students today!
- Drop off with our in-person students went smoothly.
- Whether in-person or online, the energy from our students and their excitement to be back with peers, teachers and the GPA community was tremendous.

Some reminders:

- Please send your in-person students with masks.
- As a community, we are working hard to keep the campus as safe as possible. Family members who walk students to their arrival or pick up from their afternoon locations need to remember to wear masks as well. If family members do not want to wear a mask, you can stay in the car and pick up and drop off in the carpool lane.

We know you have entrusted us with your children and we take this responsibility to heart. We are deeply invested in correcting what has gone awry and providing the top-notch care and learning you have come to expect from GPA. Thank you again for your patience as we traverse these uncharted waters together.

Sincerely,

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