Dear Yu Ming Families,

Happy Lunar New Year! I hope this message finds you well celebrating the beginning of an auspicious Year of the Ox with your Yu Ming student and family.

I write today to share the latest updates on the transition to returning to in-person instruction.

**Update on Reopening Plan and Timeline**

As I shared last week in my [February 5th Reopening Update](#), we plan to time our reopening for in-person instruction with the vaccination of our teachers and staff. This means that the educators supporting a grade level through in-person instruction will have the vaccine or had the option to be vaccinated before their grade level returns.

Given all the information available to us this week on vaccine access for education workers, we estimate that our transition to reopening for in-person instruction will begin after our Spring recess (April 5-9) with our first group of students (our lower school grades) returning to in-person instruction in mid April. We would then transition our remaining grades to in-person instruction by the end of the month. At this time we do not have plans to extend the school year and June 17th is still expected to be the last day of school.

This timeline would only be delayed if we are not able to vaccinate our educators supporting a grade level before their students return for in-person instruction. We will give final confirmation on the opening timeline once staff vaccinations have begun at scale and the Yu Ming Board of Directors has approved the proposed schedule.

**Family Survey**

We anticipate that we will be making some adjustments to our hybrid model program and schedules because of staffing constraints and student needs so we are asking all families to
complete another survey indicating whether they would like to remain in 100% distance learning or return to some level of in-person instruction when we reopen.

In addition, we would like to learn if you are interested in some limited on-site in-person opportunities for your student during the period of time after mid-winter break and before the spring recess.

Please complete the following survey by Friday, February 19. If we do not receive a response, we will assume that your student will remain in 100% distance learning for the remainder of this school year.

- English Survey
- Spanish Survey
- Chinese Survey

We look forward to this next step in our school reopening and are grateful for your continued partnership.

Warmest regards,

Sue Park
Head of School