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Greetings Palmer Park Preparatory Families:

We hope this letter finds you well and you are enjoying a wonderful summer break. As we embark on the new 2023-2024 academic school year, we are excited to have the opportunity to continue partnering with you to provide a quality education and nurturing learning environment for your child. We look forward to welcoming both returning and new students to Palmer Park and having a successful and memorable school year. Together, we can inspire a love for learning, foster personal growth, and equip your child with the skills they need to thrive at P3A and beyond.

This past academic school year, we accomplished major goals and are excited to share the good news! Palmer Park improved their school letter grade and has expanded the Montessori community by opening two additional classrooms. Our school's success is a direct result from the dedication, resilience, and hard work of our amazing P3A staff and students. As we embark on an exceptional new school year, our priority is to continue to provide an optimal learning experience for all students and staff this year. The first day of teaching and learning is **Monday, August 28, 2023**, and is fast approaching. As we know, things can rapidly change, but we will continuously engage, inform and communicate with all families throughout the school year.

To prepare our students and families for a successful school year, please find general schoolwide information below in preparation for the First Day of School on Monday, August 28, 2023:

**Student Entry, Arrival Procedures and School Hours:**

- Palmer Park school bell hours are 9:00 AM – 4:10 PM
- Montessori students (PreK/K) enter and depart through Door #13 Sign in procedure (Montessori entrance off Margareta St.)
- Montessori students (1<sup>st</sup>-7<sup>th</sup>) enter and depart through Door #7
- Middle School students (5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>) enter and depart through Door #1 (Main Entrance off Pickford St.)

Additionally, please note after 9:30 AM, all students, parents and guests must enter through Door #1 to ensure we provide safety protocols and one point of entry. We are looking forward to providing additional schoolwide information through various engagement sessions to ensure that all families are informed. Thus, please **Save The Dates** below for the following:

**Palmer Park Orientations:**

Montessori Families: Wednesday, August 23, 2023, 4:00 – 5:00 PM (In Person Middle School Gymnasium)

Traditional Families: Thursday, August 24, 2023, 1:00 – 2:00 PM (Virtual on TEAMS)

[Click here to join the meeting](#)

Meeting ID: 242 460 585 599

Passcode: 6gHA32

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**Or call in (audio only)**

[+1 313-462-2305,853836400#](tel:+13134622305853836400) / Phone Conference ID: 853 836 400#

**Social Media Platforms for Up-to-Date Information:**

Palmer Park Website: [www.detroitk12.org/palmerpark](http://www.detroitk12.org/palmerpark) Twitter: [@AcademyPalmer](https://twitter.com/AcademyPalmer) Facebook: [Parents of Palmer Park Prep](https://www.facebook.com/ParentsOfPalmerParkPrep)

**Palmer Park August 28<sup>th</sup> Opening Day: 8:45 AM:**

- **Montessori Students/Families:** Please join Montessori Guides, Support Staff, P3A Leadership & PTA on the Playfield to meet and greet Montessori Guides and Staff outside Door #13 (off Margareta St.).
- **Traditional Students/Families:** Please join Traditional Teachers, Support Staff, P3A Leadership, PTA & Male Mentoring Group to clap in our students (outside Door #1 (off Pickford St.))

Again, I would like to welcome you to the 2023 -2024 school year at Palmer Park. We are looking forward to an amazing year, and becoming a competitive, high performing school in the **Detroit Public Schools Community District**.

Educationally,  
*Christa Reeves*, Principal

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