I’ve been thinking a lot lately about the concept of seasons … seasons of the year, seasons of holidays, seasons in our lives. At this time of year, particularly the harvest season that is upon us: Harvest is the season to reap the rewards of seeds well-planted and well-tended.

In another era our grandparents and great-grandparents survival was dependent on their ability to farm – to plant and water and maintain and prune and then eventually – harvest. Everyone in the family had responsibilities to ensure that the farm produced a healthy harvest. From that harvest the family would meet their needs; they would sell some, they would share some, they would store some and they would then have food through the long cold winter.

And still today, families reap what they sow – as parents we reap what we sow. Parenting is a lot like farming – it’s about building the soil, planting seeds, nurturing the seedlings and the hard work of weeding and watering and maintaining until – the harvest. Our children, like plants, need a rich soil (loving families with consistent expectations; healthy food, play and sleep). They need to be watered with experiences such as reading, art, music, athletics and dance. Like the farmer, parents are watching their ‘plants’ (children) and looking at interventions or support or ways to address any issues that may occur.

Soon enough our children will be grown and the ‘harvest’ will come – and in these days of laboring and striving, we want to protect our children – like the farmer seeks to protect his crop from weather, elements, poor soil and anything else he has control over. Farming and parenting are both combinations of law and love, responsibility and compassion, diligence and grace – and what we want is a healthy robust harvest; healthy, happy, compassionate/caring, successful adults.

As a parent we are called to do everything we can to reap the best harvest in the climate we’ve been given and we’re here for the long haul. There will be seasons before the harvest. Seasons of love, seasons of tears, seasons of joy and more. Remembering that ‘to everything there is a season’ allows us to slow down and appreciate this season, this school year and this moment in your child’s life. I hope this harvest season you pause long enough to appreciate the growing crop (children) you have been given and to re-commit for the long haul to your role in nurturing them to greatness.

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Hello Community Outreach Academy Family! My name is Scott Jonard, Principal of COA Middle. I am excited to announce to all of you a change that is coming next school year for the Community Outreach Academy schools. Starting next year, 2020-2021, we will be making an extraordinary change in order to meet the needs of our expanding program as well as providing the best possible educational experience for our students. Starting next year the Middle School will be expanding into 6th grade making our school a true 6-8th grade Middle School.

With this change, Community Outreach Academy will be able to design comprehensive courses on Coding, Engineering, Art, as well as the extraordinary core classes to an even larger group of students. Our Middle School is working tirelessly to make this change an incredible experience for our students. We are creating a truly unique and exciting learning experience. We are offering brand new flexible learning environments, re-modeled and expanded classrooms and collaborative spaces, dedicated training and support to develop the digital skills to have lifelong success, amazing athletics opportunities, while maintaining the incredible academic standard that parents have come to expect from Community Outreach Academy. We will be holding information nights and visits to the campus during the Spring semester to see our classrooms and collaborative spaces for the incoming 6th graders. I am incredibly excited about this shift for the COA Community. If you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at Scott.Jonard@GCCCharters.org or come by our campus anytime. Thank you and welcome to COA, GO HUSKIES!

Scott Jonard, Principal of COA Middle School

Уважаемые семьи Community Outreach Academy! Вас приветствует Скотт Джонард, директор средней школы COA. Я очень рад сообщить Вам о важных переменах, которые ждут Community Outreach Academy в следующем учебном году. Начиная со следующего 2020-2021 учебного года, 6-ые классы будут переведены в систему средней школы, что предоставит нам возможность расширить нашу программу до объема полноценной программы средней школы 6-8 классов, а также позволит нам обеспечить наших учащихся самыми лучшими возможностями для успешного обучения.

Расширение программы средней школы Community Outreach Academy позволит нам значительно расширить и углубить наши курсы по программированию, инженерному делу и искусству, а также предоставить нашим новым учащимся возможность изучения базовых предметов по специально разработанной нами программе. Сотрудники нашей средней школы прикладывают максимальные усилия для того, чтобы предстоящие изменения наилучшим образом повлияли на процесс обучения. Наша школа предлагает исключительные условия для обучения: обновленные и расширенные помещения классов и другие учебные помещения, модульная обстановка, специально разработанные программы целевого обучения и поддержки цифровой грамотности для успешного развития наших учащихся, широкий выбор программ физического развития наряду с высокими академическими стандартами, которые всегда являлись важным фактором для всех семей, выбравших Community Outreach Academy для обучения своих детей.

Весной 2020 мы будем проводить информационные вечера для родителей, а также предоставим всем семьям возможность посетить нашу школу для того чтобы осмотреть помещения классов и других учебных помещений, где будут обучаться учащиеся 6-х классов. Я очень рад предстоящим переменам в Community Outreach Academy! Если у Вас возникнут какие-либо вопросы, пожалуйста обращайтесь на мой емейл Scott.Jonard@GCCCharters.org или приходите к нам в школу в любое время! Спасибо и добро пожаловать в COA! ХАСКИ – ТОЛЬКО ВПЕРЕД!
Dear Parents Guardians,

Every year, our school participates in a Kids Can Food Drive for our local community. This year, the Drive is **October 7th through November 8th**. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to give back to our local community. If you would like to help with this Drive, please have your children bring canned and non-perishable food items to school. You could also drop off items at all of our school sites. We hope to continue teaching our students the value of giving to others while helping families during the holiday season. Thank you for your help!

Дорогие Родители / Опекуны,

В настоящее время, наша школа проводит компанию по сбору продуктов для бедных (октябрь 7- ноябрь 8). Мы хотели бы чтобы этот проект стал возможностью для наших студентов проявить акт милосердия к обществу и бедным людям. Если вы желает помочь нам, пожалуйста, попросите вашего ребенка принести в школу консервы и нескоропортящиеся продукты. Вы такжете сами доставить в школу продукты для бедных. Мы хотим научить наших студентов милосердно и жертвенности для других, а также помочь бедным семьям в нашей общине. Спасибо вам за вашу помощь!
TRI 1 STUDENT AWARDS
ASSEMBLIES / NOV 20, Wednesday
Grade 6 / 8:45-9:15 am
Grade 5 / 9:30-10:00 am
Grade 4 / 10:45-11:15 am

TRI 1 STUDENT AWARDS
ASSEMBLIES / NOV 21, Thursday
Grade 3 / 8:50-9:20 am
Grade 1 / 10:15-10:45 am
Grade K / 11:00-11:30 am
Grade 2 / 12:15-12:45 pm

► STUDENT TALENT SHOW
November 7, 6:30 p.m. / THEATRE

► Radio Programs “School & Family” / 87.7 FM
November 7, 14 & 21 (8:00 am)

► VETERANS DAY
November 11 / NO SCHOOL

► PARENT TEACHER CONFERENCES
November 12-14

► “Student Talk” Radio Program / 87.7 FM
November 18, 8:00 a.m.

► SCHOOL SITE COUNCIL Meeting
November 19, 5:00 p.m.

► THANKSGIVING BREAK
November 25-29 / NO SCHOOL

ACCORDING TO THE THREE-WAY SCHOOL PLEDGE, WE HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT ALL PARENTS VOLUNTEER A MINIMUM OF 12 HOURS (PER 2019/2020 SCHOOL YEAR) OF THEIR TIME TO COA.

В соответствии с Трехсторонним Соглашением между школой, родителями и студентами всем родителям настоятельно рекомендуется добровольно отработать в школе минимум 12 часов в течение 2019/2020 учебного года.

COA Administration