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Dear GB Miller Parents/ Guardians,

This school year, we re-evaluated our school's existing safety plan and security measures in light of recent gun-related school tragedies. While looking at every aspect of school security, we determined some changes needed to occur to safeguard our students. During the school year, we met with GB Miller School stakeholder groups including parents, staff and site leadership, law enforcement, as well as district leadership to gather input. We will continue to have conversations about keeping our children safe, and we always welcome your ideas and suggestions. In the meantime, thank you for your continued cooperation and support with the following procedures:

EACH MORNING:

- The campus is closed to unauthorized adults before and after school, as well during the instructional day.
- Parents/guardians are to drop off their child/children at the front waiting area or outside the back gates, and not enter campus with them.
- Any adult having business on campus must enter through the front of the school and sign in at the office immediately upon arrival, and check out with the office before leaving.

AT DISMISSAL:

- At dismissal, parents are to wait in the front waiting area for their child/children. Adults are not allowed anywhere else on campus unless they have checked in at the office and have school business.

Starting Monday, May 7, 2018 the back gate on Camden Circle will remain closed at all times to increase our school safety. This gate is not visible from our central area, as a result is a challenge to see who comes on campus through this gate. Hence, a decision was made to keep this gate locked at all times after gathering input from numerous stakeholders. The other two back gates will remain open during arrival and dismissal times as usual as they are clearly visible from the central area.

Please remember that if you have a scheduled meeting with a teacher or staff member before or after school, check in with the office and follow our regular visitor procedures. As per our existing practice, all volunteers must sign in at the front office and wear a visitor's badge. At GB Miller, we are very fortunate to have many parent volunteers, and we want to continue to foster school and community involvement.

The reason for these procedures is to ensure that the people who are on campus are authorized to be here, and to reduce the possibility of a stranger slipping onto school grounds without notice.

Please understand that the decision to modify some of our procedures was made after careful thought and discussion with many stakeholders in our school community. Our students' safety and well-being are always of utmost importance to all of us. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Dr. Stacy Chang, Principal