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Dear SEEDS Students, Families, & School Communities,

We are at the end of a fantastic summer of programming. Over the recent months, we are grateful to have served over **350 of your children and youth** in fun and meaningful ways! We hope that the SEEDS Summer Programs were enjoyable for your children and inspired healthy engagement and learning. Our goal was to maximize activities that were out-of-doors, STEM based, and screen-free. **Thank you for entrusting your child to our care.**

We are very excited to continue our in person programming during 2021/2022 the school year. We have many engaging lessons planned for the upcoming school year. We hope your children will join us!

Our priority is providing safe spaces for learning. In response to COVID19, we will follow your school's protocols regarding masks as well as other recommended safety guidelines and protocols issued by authorities including the CDC, DHHS, and MiOSHA. We will continue to revise our practices and procedures as the context, recommendations, and rules change. As we prepare for fall After School programming, please note key protocols that affect you:

1. Each school site will communicate to you a specific pick-up and drop-off plan that minimizes the number of adults that enter the building.
2. If your child (or anyone residing in the same household) is experiencing symptoms of COVID19 or has been diagnosed with COVID19, do not attend after school programming. Follow CDC quarantine measures before the child returns.
3. We will be outside as much as possible. Please help your kids dress for the weather!

In addition to reinforcing regular health and safety practices with students (including washing hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds!) SEEDS staff will also be responsibly:

- As much as possible, limiting in-person activities to group sizes of ten or fewer students, plus staff.
- Spreading activities out in multiple areas, and getting outside as much as possible.
- Cleaning and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces multiple times per day.
- Giving each student his/her own box of supplies to minimize sharing of materials.

Offering safe, enriching, learning experiences for your child is our priority. Please don't hesitate to reach out to your Site Coordinator or any one of us if you have questions or concerns. See you again soon!

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