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Hello Khalsa Montessori School families,

First, a simple reminder, registration for the upcoming school year is due by 4pm July 16th. If you have not received a registration packet via USPS, please contact your campus office to request a new one. The KMS Fall Operating Plan 2020 will be released this week. Within a week of its release, another Zoom Town Hall Meeting will take place to discuss the plan and answer questions regarding it.

As you are aware, Khalsa administration and staff has been busy preparing for the upcoming school year. Last week, Governor Ducey announced the delay in the opening of all in-person public schools to Monday, August 17th.

What does the delay in opening mean to our families? Khalsa will proceed with the Orientation Weeks as scheduled for July 13th – 24th. All three campuses will be closed the week of July 27th – 31st. Set-up weeks will begin on August 3rd and we will prepare to resume school on August 17th. It is our intention to resume school on August 17th.

Khalsa is committed to the safety of our staff, students, and their families. In return, we are dependent on your commitment to your Khalsa community and staff, too. We are focusing on resuming school in-person - it is not as simple to transition a Montessori classroom to an online environment. If necessary, we will move to an online learning experience. It is not our first choice.

We understand the frustration that so many of our families are feeling right now. Khalsa is working diligently to stay on a course that supports particularly our students and their emotional, social and educational needs at each level. We thank you for your kind words and we appreciate your constructive feedback – we are simply grateful that we are all collaborating to create a new normalcy for all involved.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Watch for School Year 20-21 Announcements under the COVID-19 Update section of the website.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Karen Paxton".

Karen Paxton, School Director