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Dear Centner Academy Parents,

We hope this finds you well. As an update, we returned to school as usual today with drop-off, pick-up, recess, PE, and after school activities. We were fully staffed and continue to support our teachers and students.

We wanted to make sure it is clear that we respect each family's personal decisions including, but not limited to, the COVID-19 Injection. As a school, we will not insert ourselves into the personal decision-making of your family. When questions arise, our teachers and staff will continue to redirect students back to their families.

Today, one teacher offered specific advice to students regarding the COVID-19 injection. We are appalled at this. It was against our policy and the teacher has recognized and acknowledged her mistake. The teacher has retracted her comments and apologized to the class and the parent involved.

I also wanted to apologize for this difficult situation. I am so sorry. It was never my intention to make anyone uncomfortable or to hurt anyone's feelings. In order to address your concerns and to hear from you directly, I will hold an in-person meeting on each campus tomorrow, Thursday April 29. To attend, please RSVP:

- **2:00pm at the Elementary & Middle School Campus**
- **3:30pm at the Preschool Campus (complimentary aftercare for parents who attend the meeting)**

It was never our intention to have the media involved in an internal employee policy. We notified you, as parents, to keep you informed of our position so that 1) you would know that we are taking every precaution to minimize risk to your children, and 2) to make you aware in case you heard anything from a teacher.

Unfortunately, there are a few parents and at least one staff member who continue to leak our internal communications (emails and text messages) to the media. This continued flow of internal, private information to the media continues to expose the school and individual community members. We are extremely concerned about this.

My efforts have always been focused on creating the most amazing school for our children -- to keep them safe, happy and thriving. We respect you, our parents. We respect our teachers. We respect our students.

We ask that you participate in one of the meetings tomorrow to come together as a community to have an open discussion and move forward in unity and peace.

Thank you for your patience and support.

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