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California Charter Schools Association Certified Charter Dear Parents and Middle and High School Students,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 School Year. Although we are not experiencing our traditional return to school, this unique time in our history allows us to grow in positive ways. I look forward to working with all of you throughout this experience.

"History is merely a list of surprises. It can only prepare us to be surprised yet again." -Kurt Vonnegut

Although no one in the world was adequately prepared for the pandemic, the administration, teachers, and staff at the AAE have worked extensively since March 2020 to devise a robust and rigorous learning experience for our students. Please see the Principal's Letter by Mrs. Andreasen on the AAE Website for more detailed information.

There are moments in every life when a person knows history is being made and pays special attention to where they were and what they were doing at that moment. Man first walking on the moon, Hank Aaron breaking Babe Ruth's homerun record, the tragedy of 9/11 all come to mind. Rarely is making history a comfortable process. Please know that we are here to not only support academic learning, but mental and emotional well-being as well. Our Social and Emotional Learning lessons for Middle School will resume in September. Please encourage your Middle School student to engage in these life lessons and share their thoughts with you in the family component. Although our current situation has been significantly more than "a moment," please know that we will get through this and emerge as an even closer, stronger, and KINDer community at the AAE.

"A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history." - Mahatma Gandhi

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