## Lewis Center for Educational Research Academy for Academic Excellence,





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Welcome Back Knights!

Congratuations to students and parents on the successful conclusion of the very challenging 20-21 School Year. Students became technology wizards, caregivers, junior chefs, and learned new skills. Parents became teachers, multi-taskers, and also technology wizards.

As we begin the 21-22 school year by returning to our campus, it is our intention to not "come back to normal," but to return even stronger, safer, and more committed to our students and families receiving the best educational experience possible at the AAE.

As stated in earlier communications, the Dress Code will be rigorously enforced starting from the first day of school. We will have new loaners available, which are regularly laundered. Please take a few moments to review our Uniform Dress Code Policy, found in the Parent/Student Handbook on our website. We appreciate your support and cooperation.

There have been changes to the campus over the past year, to include our new Multi-Purpose Room, which is beautiful. Students will now be eating in our brand new, state of the art cafeteria. The new building also has both an indoor and outdoor stage for our Visual Performing Arts groups, as well as meetings and trainings. Students, please be sure to stop by and visit.

During the past year, all of us have been through an extremely stressful time. As a staff, we are prepared to welcome your students back and provide support, not only academically, but in the social/emotional area, as well. We have a vast array of services and resources available, so please reach out if needed.

I look forward to seeing our students back!

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