

Dear Capitol Hill Montessori Parents and Families,

We are excited for the start of Term 3 this week and to welcome back our students who are participating in in-person learning!

Our priority continues to be the health and safety of our students and staff, and we have been working hard over the past months to get our building ready to receive them. As highlighted during our building walkthrough and community meetings, our building has undergone extensive preparation to ensure a safe and healthy environment for students and staff – including HVAC enhancements, socially distant space arrangements and signage, and enhanced cleaning protocols.

Today, I am writing to let you know that per the outcome of discussions between DC Public Schools and the Washington Teachers' Union (WTU), we will be conducting an additional walkthrough to provide an opportunity for school community representatives to re-tour the facility and review readiness measures in place. This walkthrough is an additional opportunity to engage with school representatives, but will not delay our plans to welcome students back for in-person learning.

I want to be clear: We know our students are ready, we know our building is ready, we know our staff is ready to return to school - and our reopening efforts will continue as planned.

If you haven't already, please review the <u>In-Person Learning family guide</u> for resources to help you prepare for the first day back to the classroom. It includes important forms that parents or guardians need to sign. We shared these documents previously, but they include:

- Family-School Agreement
- Daily Health Screening Tracker
- COVID-19 Testing Consent Forms (symptomatic and asymptomatic)

If you have any additional questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me via email at Kim. Adutwum@k12.dc.gov.

In Partnership,

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