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Dear YMA Families:

I hope you have experienced a healthy and restful summer vacation. We are all aware, that as we plan for our school reopening, we are still facing unprecedented times in education and in our world. As Montessorians, we learn to be prepared for the environment we find ourselves in. Montessorians are flexible and adaptable, and that is just what is needed during these times. Information changes rapidly so please know that what we know today, may be different in the future. We want to provide the most accurate information we have in a timely manner.

We want you to know that all of us at YMA are working together to ensure that our students will continue to receive the excellent education and Montessori foundation that you have come to expect. We are excited to “virtually” welcome our new and returning students to YMA on September 8, 2020 and look forward to the time when we can meet face to face again.

Here is what we know. All Yonkers Public Schools students will begin the school year using our Online Remote Instruction model according to our School Reopening Plan posted on the District’s website. Instruction will begin for students as follow:

- Tuesday, September 8 K-12 students begin instruction remotely
- Wednesday, September 9 PK students will participate in orientation remotely
- Thursday, September 10 PK students begin instruction remotely
- Monday, October 5 PK-12 students transition to Hybrid Instruction Model (*subject to state and local government decisions, Department of Health and New York State Education Department guidelines*)

Additional information will be sent to families regarding your child’s specific schedule of remote learning.

The YMA Reopening Plan will continuously evolve as the status of the pandemic changes. Please be sure to check the YMA website at <https://yonkerspublicschools.org/yma> for the most up to date information available. Also, check the YMA Instagram and/or Twitter at yma-pkthrough12. The success of this plan relies on our strong partnerships with our families, the tireless work of our faculty and staff and continuous communication. Thank you for patience and partnership.

Dr. Eileen E. Rivera, Principal