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Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to a new school year at PEARLS Hawthorne School! Mr. George Miles (AP for Grades Pre-K – 1), Mrs. Mallory Alger (AP for Grades 2 – 5), Mrs. Tanya Jenkins (AP for Grades 6 – 8), and I are looking forward to working with you. The Administrative Team is eager to welcome back our returning and new families!

The Administrative team and staff look forward to celebrating our success and building on our efforts / practices to better serve the needs of our students for the upcoming school year. We will work collectively to ensure we achieve our shared goal of meeting the diverse needs of ALL our students and ensure they have a learning environment where they can thrive and be challenged through a Compacted Curriculum, School-Wide Enrichment Program, and Multi-Tiered Support System (MTSS – formerly RTI). Your engagement as partners in this endeavor will be instrumental.

Our work this year will be guided by the teachings in Cornelius Minor's book, **We Got This**. I share, as an example of this guided work, a quote from his book: "Inclusivity in the context of teaching and learning does not simply mean that "you are allowed to be present here." To be included means "we have changed ourselves and our practices to make 'here' a place where you can thrive."

We look forward to welcoming back all **Pre-Kindergarten through Eighth grade** students for their **first full day (7:35 a.m. – 2:15 p.m.) of school on Thursday, September 7th**.

It is imperative that you **refer to the information** enclosed with this letter and posted **on our school website** regarding the **opening of school**. If you have any questions, please call the school at (914) 376-8250. Thank you in advance for your continued patience, cooperation, and positive communication as we work collaboratively to implement a reopening plan that best meets the needs of all our learners.

Sincerely,
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