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Dear SESO Families,

On behalf of all of us at SESO, I am excited to welcome all new and returning families to the 2026–2027 academic year. Over the summer, we have been busy planning and preparing our academic offerings, recruiting new faculty and staff, updating and maintaining our facilities, remodeling classrooms, and renovating our elementary computer lab - among other projects. Faculty members have also been working - participating in professional development courses and planning for the new year.

As I begin my fifth year as School Director, I am proud of the work we have done as a team for the benefit of our institution, and most importantly, our students. Some of these include large-scale projects to improve our facilities - such as repaving our beltway and resealing our roofs, renovating ten classrooms, remodeling our science lab and elementary computer lab, and giving new life to outdoor play areas such as the Garden Lab, Preschool Playground, and Elementary Playground. In terms of academics, during these four years, we have been able to re-introduce library visits as an additional literacy block for preschool and elementary students, expand our elective course offerings, increase AP offerings, boost our science programming, grow our Computer Science department, and take learning beyond the classroom through programs such as Model United Nations, *Liga de Oratoria*, and Science Bowl, among others. In concert with our mission of providing strong academics, we work to nurture well-rounded students through a breadth of experiences, such as our dynamic drama program, as well as a range of service-learning opportunities. Our Athletic Program has also grown significantly over the years – boosting our school spirit and pride.

This upcoming academic year promises to be just as fruitful. While these projects have certainly had an impact on student learning – it is the small, everyday moments that are just as significant, and that create a learning environment that I am proud to be a part of. I want to thank the members of the Board of Directors, faculty, staff, families, and students for their role in making this a vibrant, welcoming, and growing community. As always, feel free to reach out with any ideas, questions, or concerns. I wish everyone a fantastic second-half of the summer season, and a warm welcome back to SESO.

Best regards,



Katrin Beinroth  
School Director