Dear Lee-Scott Academy Family,

As we end this school year and begin to plan for the 2020-2021 school year, I wanted to take a moment to check-in with you and give you some updates and what you can expect in the coming weeks. As Lee-Scott Academy students, faculty and staff prepare to return to campus in August, maintaining the health, safety and mental wellness of our entire community is our focus. We are a family school, and a safe reopening will require the full commitment of each and every member of our school community.

Much about our return is unknown. We ask for patience, understanding and flexibility as we navigate ever-changing circumstances. In spite of the unknowns, we have put together a Lee-Scott Academy Return: Responding to COVID-19 document with information we will review and update as we move toward re-opening in August.

With the recent changes in guidelines for athletic activity on campus during the summer, we have put together a Response to COVID-19: Guidelines for Summer Activities document with information for athletes and parents who will be returning to campus beginning Tuesday, June 2, for workouts and tryouts. This document will be amended and updated as we continue to review guidelines and recommendations in response to athletic activities.

In addition, I have created a **School Re-Opening Task Force** that will be meeting throughout the summer months to ensure that we at LSA are ready to re-open safely. This task force will be composed of board members, administrative staff, faculty, and parents who will work in consultation with health officials to develop a safe, comprehensive plan for our return to campus. The three main areas of focus will be: the health and safety of our community, the educational experience of our students, and the financial health of the school. Please be assured we are striving for flexibility and transparency in our process as well as in the reopening plans we develop.

We know, from observing conversations among health professionals and government leaders, that there may be a chance in the fall that schools could be affected by COVID-19. This could mean any window of time where school could be interrupted due to illness. While planning on a traditional start, we will also be prepared for multiple scenarios so that we can pivot as needed to be sure high-caliber education continues for your students. We will share these scenarios with the school community in the coming weeks.

Our goal is to communicate throughout the summer via email and social media with our current and prospective families as we partner with state leaders, the Alabama Department of Public Health, SAIS, AISA, and our local medical leaders to make the best decisions for Lee-Scott Academy. Information will also continue to be posted to the LSA website on the Lee-Scott Academy Health page - https://www.lee-scott.org/lee-scott-academy-health/

Please make sure your email address is updated in PowerSchool so that you receive these important email updates. If you are not receiving emails, please email info@lee-scott.org to make sure your address is current.

In closing, I want to reiterate how amazing you are. Every one of us is doing the impossible right now, personally and professionally, and you've granted us grace at every turn. For that, I thank you. Please continue to pray for our Board of Trustees, administration, faculty, and staff as we continue to pray for your family during this time of uncertainty. Together we are stronger!

With gratitude,

Dr. Stan Cox

Head of School

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