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Dear IDEA Families,

It was once stated, “That gratitude is perhaps the healthiest and most impactful element associated with all of human emotions.” In light of this sentiment, it should be no surprise that the entire IDEA team has dedicated their work this year to displaying this gratefulness to each of you – Our students, families and the many communities we are fortunate to serve within!

I also share this thankfulness and appreciation as my wife and children have been embraced each step of the way by the collective “IDEA family” since joining the team. These warm memories include allowing my daughter to support Kenai’s graduation, the receipt of countless letters and warm wishes as we welcomed our second child into the world and most notably, through the sincerity and compassion which many of you expressed in person to me throughout the past year.

Transitioning from the personal to the professional, please know that your team has been working endlessly to ensure that your voices are heard, that your wishes are met and most notably, that you feel appreciated. To these ends, we anticipate opening two new IDEA locations this year, are continuing to enhance existing offices, have increased staffing levels to elevate our service to each of you and are driving forward our recently approved strategic planning goals regarding “Student Success (With a focus on post-secondary opportunities)” and “Community Connections (Through expanding local fairs to more communities and student choice options throughout the state).”

In closing, “we” remain steadfast in our desire to provide each of you with the educational options that you desire for your child(ren) and look forward to partnering with you in pursuit of these outcomes.

Most Sincerely,

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