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Dear JAO Families,

We are very excited for the upcoming 2020-2021 school year! The administration, along with the board, is pleased to present information you will find both helpful and beneficial to re-enroll your child for the coming school year. Our school remains academically strong as evidenced by solid and encouraging standardized test scores across the grade levels. Additionally, enrollment remained steady from the beginning of last year to this year and we retained 90% of our students from one year to the next. Equally encouraging is the fact that we have already pre-enrolled one full Kindergarten class for the upcoming school year! As we move into the spring, we look forward to continuing our successes. We have many exciting programs and opportunities for your child to continue to grow and thrive academically, socially, emotionally and spiritually.

As we begin to prepare for the coming school year, we are pleased to provide you with this re-enrollment information. Over the past few months, the finance committee has been reviewing the school's budget and finances. At the December board meeting, the finance committee recommended and the board approved a 5% tuition increase for the 2020–2021 school year for all grade levels. To provide some context, as you may recall, for the past few years the board has worked diligently to "right size tuition" and create a four "tiered" tuition structure with incremental increases between several grade levels. During this three-year process, we have not had a tuition increase. This was part of a long-range plan to continue to make our school more affordable for the families in our community. Unfortunately, this significant increase is necessary to balance the budget and meet our financial obligations.

Please review the re-enrollment information carefully and abide by the deadlines provided. It is imperative for hiring and planning purposes of the school to register on or prior to the February 21st deadline. For this reason, we add an additional 5% increase above and beyond the early enrollment tuition after the February 21st deadline. This deadline will be strictly enforced this year. Remember that tuition will increase by 5% after the Friday, February 21st deadline.

We are proud of our school with our amazing teachers and staff, and we are eager to plan for the upcoming school year. If you have any questions, please call or email either of us to discuss.

L'Shalom,

Alan Rusonik

Amy Polacek Head of School **Admissions Coordinator**

P.S. Please enroll on or before Friday, February 21st to receive the early enrollment tuition discount.

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