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Dear Parents/Guardians

## "Be still and know that I am God." Psalm 46:10

Encouraging one another is an appropriate message for this time of year. Please **positively** encourage your child as you encounter his/her 1<sup>st</sup> quarter grades. These marks are guides for parents and students alike to monitor academic progress. I always like to remind parents that these marks do **not** represent a child's worth, effort, or potential. They are simply professional judgments of demonstrated work during segmented time frames. These reports can be both uplifting and disappointing. I have always valued the time my children spent with God's Word under the guidance of Christian role models. While not necessarily a measurable outcome, this is the most important outcome, nonetheless. Book it, Dano!

Please join us for the Fall Sampler Concert—Friday, October 25th 7 p.m. at LHS.

Another noteworthy date is quickly approaching and you may be of great assistance to us. Our **Open House** is scheduled for **Sunday, November 9**<sup>th</sup> **beginning at 7 p.m.** Families will have the opportunity to tour the facility and meet with faculty and parents. I often hear how LHSKC is a well-kept secret. Let's get the word out. Please encourage any families you know who might be interested in our school to attend our Open House.

Also on the horizon is our fall musical, *Cinderella*. Performances are scheduled for Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. The students under the direction of Will Andrews-Weiss have worked diligently to ensure a quality production. I hope you can make plans to attend.

I believe the school year is off to a strong and positive beginning. Like every year there are some kinks in our armor. We have been struggling with a new grade reporting system. Our hope is that you will be able to track grades soon. If not, please contact teachers for information necessary. My prayer is that together we can build on the momentum of increased enrollment and improve the product known as **The Lutheran High School of Kansas City**. Change, progress, and hope are all in the future. Our hope is in the Lord because "**Blessed is the man who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence is in Him.**" **Jeremiah 17:7** 

In His Service.

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