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Dear Students and Families of Northwest Junior High and Northeast College Preparatory High School,

I am writing to share some exciting news with you. At the February 8 Board of Education meeting, I announced the relocation of Northeast College Preparatory High School to the Charlotte Campus, which is located at 4115 Lake Avenue. Northwest Junior High will remain at the Douglass Campus and continue to serve 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students.

The Charlotte Campus provides a learning environment that is more conducive to high school students while the Douglass Campus is designed for middle school programming. This move will allow both school communities to grow and flourish in their own educational spaces.

Under this plan, the following changes will take place, effective the 2022-2023 school year:

- Current Northeast students will have the option to move to the new campus or work with our Student Placement Specialists to select a new school.
- Leadership Academy for Young Men will close at the end of this academic year, and that facility will become the new home of Northeast.
- All Northwest 8<sup>th</sup> grade students must participate in the school choice process to select a high school. With the relocation of Northeast, there is no longer a guarantee that current students in 8<sup>th</sup> grade will have a seat.

We want to make this transition as smooth, simple, and successful as possible. In the coming weeks, we will begin working with students and families who wish to transfer to a new school community about their placement options. My goal is to provide a high-quality education with robust programming and all the necessary supports that every scholar deserves.

Sincerely,

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