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Dear Mineral King Students and Families,

We hope you are well and want you to know that we are thinking of you all. As the 2019-20 school year comes to an end, in a much different way than we imagined, we want you to know we are proud of you. Proud of how hard you worked this year, of all the growth you made in your learning and the friendships you created and continued. As BRUINS we do our best to stay positive, we focus on treating others and ourselves respectfully, we understand that we are all different and we do the right thing even when no one is watching. As you continue working from home over these final weeks or days, please remember the lessons you have learned, not only in reading, writing and in math... but just as importantly what it means to be a BRUIN and a part of our Mineral King BRUINS family.

We know that some students and families are worried that children might be falling behind academically due to our COVID-19 VUSD closures. Know that we are all in this together and that teachers are all very aware of what students may be missing and will be prepared to pick up where they need to next year with each student.

We wish all of you the best who will be moving onto middle school next year or onto other elementary schools. We will look forward to seeing all returning students at Mineral King when the new school year starts. No matter what you will do this summer or where you will be next year, please remember that your BRUINS family and the people around you, your family and your friends care about you and together we will make it through these unique and challenging times. Please ask for help when you need help. Treat each other well, find things to smile about each day, even if it’s a really small thing, and know that we are very much looking forward to the day when we can meet you at the Mineral King front door, give you a big high five or handshake and say, “Welcome back!” Until then, please enjoy your summer, be safe and know that we care about all of you and are thinking about you.

Respectfully,
Silvia Duvall and Nathan Bahrenburg