

Dear BASIS Austin and BASIS Austin Primary families, old and new,

One of the most significant concerns among our BASIS Austin and BASIS Austin Primary families is the fact that the schools currently operate out of two campuses, both of which are temporary, leased facilities. We have heard this concern from the beginning, and most notably in our recent mid-year survey.

As you may know from hearing us talk about the future, our plan has always been to consolidate and build one campus housing both BASIS Austin and BASIS Austin Primary. Over the last few months, we have made the decision to consolidate the two campuses for the 2022-23 school year at the Kramer Lane campus – that is, at the current school site for grades 3-7. **In the 2022-23 school year, the Kramer Lane campus will house all students at both BASIS Austin and BASIS Austin Primary, grades K-8.**

We also continue to work with the church (the Grant AME Worship Center) on a long-term relationship, allowing us to construct permanent campus buildings on the site, bringing the quality of our classrooms, multi-purpose rooms, and campus amenities up to par with the schools' academic results and culture. Leadership at Grant AME is fantastic to work with, and we believe that all parties wish this to happen, and that it will happen soon. We do, of course, have contingency plans that would involve constructing the permanent campus on other land nearby, if necessary.

The decision to consolidate the campuses at the Kramer Lane location was just the first step. And while the construction of the permanent facility is the final step, it is not the *next* step. The next step is for us to work with the church to make short term and immediate investments at the Kramer Lane campus. Between now and the start of the next school year six months from now, you will begin to see the fruit of that labor. The first changes will include the replacement of and extension of the entire boardwalk, and some of the landings associated with all of the classroom buildings.

We do want to be prudent with our facility improvements, so as not to spend too much of our scarce resources on elements and areas of the campus that may be reimaged for the permanent home. However, we know that some immediate improvements will make a huge difference. We know that what goes on in the classrooms (and the classrooms themselves are quite nice and spacious) will only be enhanced by improvements outside of the classrooms.

Speaking of resources, we want to especially thank **Stacy and Joel Hock** for a significant and generous contribution that will help to fund many of the improvements that you will see come to life at the Kramer Lane campus. Stacy and Joel have been active since the very early days (dating back to 2017) in working to get BASIS Charter Schools to Austin.

Regarding the consolidated campus project on Kramer Lane, we will be communicating decisions as we make them, and details as we have them. **For now, please know that**

the decision to consolidate both campuses at the Kramer Lane campus location for 2022-23 has been firmly made, and that more news will be forthcoming about the campus beautification project.

Sincerely yours,

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