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Dear Westbrook Families,

We have all been faced with extraordinary obstacles and challenges over the last several months. During this time, we were moved by the flexibility of our students, families and staff. The overwhelming support understanding that has been demonstrated truly reflect the Westbrook spirit.

In March 2020, the onset of COVID-19 required an immediate and critical shift in the delivery of education with no time to plan. SCO Family of Services residential schools has been tasked developing a flexible scheduling approach that utilizes in-person, distance, and/or a hybrid learning models in order to provide synchronous and asynchronous instruction with clear guidelines to return to full in-person instruction beginning September 2020. In order to achieve this goal, we must ensure that certain practices are put into place to prioritize the health and safety of all of our students, families and staff. The full plan can be viewed on SCO Family of Services website at https://sco.org/covid-19/.

The need to return to a more typical routine while remaining flexible must remain a priority for our students, families and staff. A comprehensive plan was developed based on guidance given to schools from New York State Department of Education as well as New York State Department of Health. The following phase in approach follows guidelines set forth by New State Department of Health, the Center for Disease Control, New York State Department of Education and the New York State Governor's office.

As we anticipate the upcoming school year will present with challenges we have already faced, we also understand, new ones may arise. We cannot thank the Westbrook Family enough for your continued partnership, flexibility, and understanding as we navigate through these times provide robust academic services for the students we are so fortunate to work with.

With gratitude,

Westbrook Preparatory School Administrative Team