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Dear Families,

It is that time of year again to begin thinking about registration for the upcoming school year. This new year brings some significant changes to our Brookline Academy Preschool and Kindergarten Enrichment (Kclub) programs located at Brookline. As of July 1st, we will be unable to operate our programs out of the Brookline School. The School District of Haverford Township intends to transfer the ownership of Brookline to the Township and it is anticipated that the space for these programs will no longer be available after this school year.

What does this mean for our programs? For our Kclub and Brookline Academy Preschool programs, we are hoping to seamlessly move both into another single location so that we are better able to serve our families with the high quality programs they have come to expect from FSS. We are diligently searching for an appropriate, convenient and cost-effective building in Havertown. However, as you all are aware, space is scarce and at a premium. FSS is considering all of our options, however, if a suitable space is not available, we may have to close the Kclub and Brookline Academy Preschool programs. Our fiscal and program teams are working very hard to ensure that a balanced decision is made.

For our Before and After School Programs located within each school, there will not be any changes to their location. The programs will continue to operate as they have been in the past.

For our camp program, unfortunately we will be unable to hold camp at any location this year. We will not have a space in which to do so, and we want to give families the opportunity to enroll in another camp. For our Brookline Academy Preschool, we will also not be able to offer camp this summer.

Due to these considerations, we need to move the timeline for 2019-2020 registration back until March 4th. By that time, we should have come to a decision about the future of both Kclub and Brookline Academy. Please know that we are doing our absolute best to continue offering our program to the community as we have done for the past 36 years. We will keep you abreast of any new developments as they occur. In the meantime, please feel free to reach out to fss-childcare@elwyn.org.

We appreciate your continued support.

Sincerely,

Family Support Services School Based Program Staff