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Dear HPUMC Day School Families,

Welcome to the 2025-2026 school year! Whether you are a new family or a returning "OG" family like me – I am so glad you are at the Day School this year. The start of a new school year always brings a lot of excitement, but this year there is a little extra magic in the air.

It's hard to believe where the time has gone, but this will be my family's eighth year at the Day School. Having our three children (Thomas- 7, James- 4 and Ella- 1) attend the school has blessed, and will continue to bless, our family in more ways than we could have ever imagined. I am honored to be able to give something back to this community by serving as this year's Parents' Club president.

The Parents' Club extends the school's mission of cultivating a great place to learn and grow through organizing family and fellowship events, planning staff and teacher appreciation, fundraising and keeping families informed. This year our school theme is "The Future is HPUMC". I think we can all agree - there is no better investment than our children's future, and at the HPUMC Day School we want those futures to be limitless.

Later this fall we will kick off our main school fundraiser: The Family Giving Campaign. Your financial support is important because it goes above and beyond what tuition dollars can provide to fund necessary campus and security improvements, faculty and classroom enrichment programs and to assist our incredible teachers. I hope you join me in planning the future for our school as we "Reach for the Stars".

I would also love to extend a personal invite for you to get involved. I know it seems like there is never enough time, but even if you just have an hour a semester – no amount of time is too little! Family involvement truly makes a difference and can turn a school of strangers into a trusted community of friends. Stay informed by following us on Instagram (@HPUMCDaySchool) and visiting our website at https://hpumcparents.club.

Please do not hesitate to reach out to me for any reason. I am here to answer any and all questions; and as a currently retired architect - I have some spare time. We have an 'out of this world' year planned, and I can't wait to share it with you!

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