



July 19th, 2019

ACS Family,

We are so excited to welcome our first classes to Aurora Community School in a few short weeks. We are committed to the mission of creating a safe, supportive and stable environment that allows students to learn and make a difference in their community. With this mission in mind, we've been working hard with all of our partners to build a permanent home for Aurora Community School, located at 6th Avenue and Centretech. We wanted to take this time to provide an important update regarding our building process.

Due to unforeseen construction delays, our permanent building will not be ready by the first day of school, but **we will open as planned on August 6th for 6th graders and August 12th for students in grades K-2, at a temporary location.** We know this is incredibly frustrating and disappointing news, but can assure you we have been working around the clock to keep the construction moving and to secure a temporary space that is safe, inviting and ideal for learning.

The Crowne Plaza Convention Center, located at 15500 E. 40th Avenue in Aurora, is working with us to create a great space for kids while our building is finished. We have selected this location because it is only 10 minutes from our permanent school location. The Crowne Plaza has worked with us to make the space look and feel like a school, with separate classrooms for each class, plenty of bathrooms for students and safe outdoor space that can be used for recess, in addition to a great pick up/drop off plan that will be convenient for those bringing children to school. This location will allow us to provide the same programming that has made so many of you love the school! This space has been made available to us until our building is complete, which we anticipate to be later in the fall. Working in partnership with Aurora Public Schools, we believe this location will provide a welcoming and safe environment for students to learn, grow and begin their personal journey toward creating impact in their own communities.

While ACS is located in our temporary building, we will provide transportation from several pick up/drop off locations across the city. The exact locations will be determined this week and we will share that information with families as soon as it becomes available. We understand you may have more questions about the Crowne Plaza Convention Center and we want you to feel free to contact us with your questions at any time. Enclosed is a list of Frequently Asked Questions which you may find helpful. You can also read more about our plans for opening school at the Crowne Plaza Event Center on our website at www.auroracommunityk8.org/parents/facility.



To ensure you have all of the information you need to know, we will provide several opportunities to connect in the next two weeks!

- You can find frequent updates on our facebook page and you can always reach out to Co-Principals Jessica Martin (jmartin@auroracommunityk8.org) and Meredith Stolte (mstolte@auroracommunityk8.org) directly.
- You can expect a call from an ACS teacher in the coming week, who will share more about the start of the year and answer any questions you may have.
- Follow our facebook page for upcoming town halls where we can answer any questions you may have or address concerns about the temporary space.
- 1st Annual Summer-fest. This outdoor event that includes music, games, bounce houses and food trucks will take place at 15550 E. 6th Avenue, Aurora 80011, today- Friday July 26th, from 5:00-7:00pm.

Again, we are excited to welcome all of our new students, families and teachers to school on August 6th, 2019 for 6th graders and August 12th, 2019, for K-2 students. We will continue to be in touch with updates as we get closer to the first day of school.

Thank you,

Jessica Martin, Co-Principal

Meredith Stolte, Co-principal