



January 14, 2021

Dear Creative City families,

It was announced today that Baltimore City Schools' traditional schools will be re-opening for groups of elementary students beginning February 16, with a mandatory return for staff who teach those grades. Acknowledging the unique management structures at charter schools, we have been provided with the opportunity to decide whether we will elect to join this timeline.

In consideration of the many requirements that will need to be in place for a safe and successful re-opening, **we will not open on February 16**. However, our school leadership has committed to determining our own path to re-opening this school year on a timeline that meets the needs of our community.

To that end, we will hold a series of meetings with our staff, Board, and school families so that all voices may provide input on this path. Please join us Wednesday, January 20 at 6:00pm for the start of this conversation. A zoom invitation will be posted soon. Our public Board meeting on Monday, January 25 at 6:00pm will also have re-opening on the agenda.

Please note – any form that re-opening takes at Creative City this year will strictly adhere to district-wide health and safety protocols and will maintain a virtual option for families.

We deeply prioritize the health of our staff and students, while recognizing that we must begin to move towards more in-person learning opportunities for students. We are looking forward to the candid and creative conversations that are sure to come as we develop the roadmap for our re-opening together.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signature of Marisa Canino in black ink.

Marisa Canino
Executive Director

Handwritten signature of Traci Mathena in black ink.

Traci Mathena
Principal

Handwritten signature of Aimee Harmon-Darrow in black ink.

Aimee Harmon-Darrow
Board President