

Golden Eagle Summer E-Blast July 2, 2020



Message From Mr. Kersting

Dear Golden Eagle Families,

All of us are experiencing so much stress these days, the stress of Covid 19 shutdown and danger, and the stress of simply not being in control.

It is a great test for us, a wake-up call, a reminder of ultimate reality: we have very limited control, and even the little we have, can be lost in a flash.

Hopefully, we can help each other learn the lesson: All that matters, all that really lasts, is love. Love our family, love our friends, love our neighbors - even the ones with whom we most heartily disagree -and love the members of our school community.

All we really can control is how much love we give and receive.

The spike in Covid and the pushback of the school start date means that Great Hearts will need to recalibrate, and I for one am confident Great Hearts is up to the task. I know we are listening, weighing what is said, and exploring all possible good and best practices to implement as we confront an ever-changing now. I know there will be a good plan in place. I hope all of us can be confident and bank on the trust that Great Hearts has earned throughout the years.

Eight years ago, I moved my family to AZ after 26 years in Napa, CA, and nearly 40 years of experience as a schoolteacher and administrator. I could see from day one that Great Hearts was doing it right. I have never lost that conviction.

We hope our students can all be on campus very soon so we can do what we do best, but if that is not possible, we have the personnel and resources to figure out how to teach remotely as

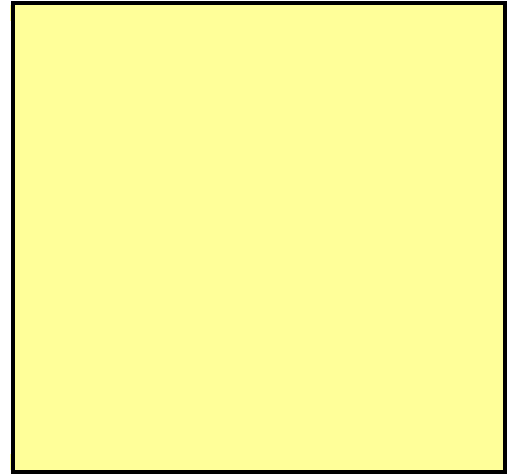
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well as it can be done. It can never be as good as in person since human beings were meant to teach and learn and love one another in person, but we can make it a very good substitute until we are freed to have the best.

If you have questions, or just want to talk, please give me a call or send a text or email. We need to over-communicate in love and truth in this time of fear and uncertainty.

Please, do not stop believing in Great Hearts, in choosing Joy, in life-long learning, and in forming hearts and minds in virtue and truth!



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