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Dear Parents of Imagine Andrews

Since the charter school opened this past fall it has become a beacon of light for over 260 students, 240 military and civilian families, faculty, and all members of Joint Base Andrews. I recently had the opportunity to speak with students at the school and was impressed with the students' behavior and enthusiasm for learning.

It is clear that everyone including students, parents, teachers, and school administrators are working together to build a cohesive community of learning for our children. Most recently, the Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) was formed and has already completed a number of initiatives to support Imagine Andrews. I would like to thank the PTO executive board for their leadership and commitment to building a strong organizational foundation. One of the most important contributors to student academic success is parental involvement. I highly encourage parents to get involved in their child's education by joining the PTO whether as a member, committee chair, or volunteer.

In a short time, Imagine Andrews Public Charter School has made such a positive impact on the base community. We look forward to working with the PTO and faculty to continually enhance the school environment and academic experience for all students and families. I wish all of you a safe and happy holiday season. Go Eagles!

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Ken Rizer".

KENNETH R. RIZER, Colonel, USAF