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Dear BCS Parents,

More than 40 community leaders gathered today at a luncheon in Los Altos, where on behalf of the Bullis Charter School ("BCS") Board of Directors, I announced that BCS accepts the basic framework of an Egan / Blach campus split as a possible short-term solution to help accommodate our growing student population.

A split of BCS students between the Egan and Blach sites can only work, even for the short-term, if certain key parameters are agreed upon. These parameters include providing BCS students a self-contained set of facilities at each site comparable to those at every District site and a timetable for agreeing on a permanent site for BCS. Please note that this is only a proposal at this stage. Only through the constructive dialog we are calling on LASD to join, can we develop this proposal into a detailed solution.

We want to fully consider the needs and preferences of our parents and staff as an integral part of this process. We therefore invite you to attend our first of several parent information sessions on Monday, January 28 @ 6pm (before our regular board meeting) to give us the opportunity to explain the proposal and take your input regarding possible implementation.

We understand LASD is considering a proposal largely continuing the current oddly configured BCS footprint at Blach with just six or seven standard classroom portable buildings and no significant useable blacktop or play fields. Under such a facilities offer, BCS students and staff at Blach wouldn't be provided essential, basic and equal on-site facilities, such as health services, playgrounds, a place for assemblies, dedicated spaces for activities like art, music, science or computers, a school office, staff workspace or a library. It is critical that we engage now to see if we can achieve a result that would not require students to travel miles to access basic facilities. As we continue to work hard on a compromise with the District, I want to assure you that we will not isolate a small portion of our kids on the corner of another campus with woefully incomplete on-site facilities.

We're hopeful that the District and the community will respond to this compromise proposal by agreeing to accept the parameters we have articulated for a split campus solution for the coming school year and work with us to fulfill them. We also hope that progress on a short-term solution will reinvigorate efforts to find a permanent solution that can accommodate all our kids in the future. By enrolling your child at BCS, you are entrusting BCS' Board and Staff to ensure that your child receives the best education possible. We will not waver in our passion to provide innovative curriculum to your child and all future students at BCS.

I'll keep you apprised of our progress but should you have any questions or concerns, I want to hear from you. Please feel free to contact me at ken.moore@moore.org.

Thank you,

Ken Moore
BCS Board Chair