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Dear Attic Community,

As the school year gets underway, our search for the next Executive Director continues to move forward in earnest. Earlier this week we met and reviewed dossiers from a robust and diverse pool of impressive candidates from across the country. Applicant materials include a cover letter, a CV, a statement of educational leadership philosophy, and references, many of whom have been contacted. The committee selected five candidates as semi-finalists for virtual one-hour interviews, which are scheduled for early next week.

The compilation of desired skills and attributes outlined in the [Information for Candidates](#) document continues to guide our work. Developed with your input through the community survey, and conversations with community members, staff, and board members, this leadership profile provides a lens through which we evaluate a candidate's alignment with our expectations and hopes. We can take great pride in the fact that so many keenly qualified candidates have expressed an interest in leading The Attic. It is a marvelous tribute to the strength of our program and our remarkable community.

As you may recall, the process remains confidential until our finalists have been selected. At that time, finalist candidates will each make a 2-day visit to campus and meet with all our stakeholders—faculty, staff, parents, students, and board members. There will be forums to hear from the candidates and provide feedback directly to the Search Committee. **These visits are scheduled for October 16-17, October 18-19, and October 23-24. There will be an opportunity for parents to meet with candidates from 9:00-9:45 am on the first day of each visit (10/16, 10/18, and 10/23).** More details will be shared—please mark your calendars to attend these forums. Following each candidate's visit you will have an opportunity to provide feedback via an online survey.

I'd also like to thank everyone who expressed an interest in participating in the Advisory Committee. We have asked the following people to be part of this group representing a range of stakeholders including parents, faculty, staff, alumni, and learners. This group will provide additional perspective and input during the finalist visits, as we make every effort to ensure an inclusive and broad-based approach. Members include: Jeanie Ida, Jeremy Thomas, Alison Farrell, Heather Johnson, Elizabeth Vanden Brook, Trevor Wainright, and Zizi Smith.

This is an exciting time at The Attic, and we are so grateful for your involvement in this process. Please don't hesitate to reach out with any questions - we look forward to sharing more with you soon.

Warmly,

Karen Lefohn, Board President and Search Committee Chair