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Dear Chandler Magnet Elementary School Families,

I am writing to share important information about the future of the Chandler Magnet Elementary School.

Worcester Public Schools (WPS) was recently informed by the Roman Catholic Diocese of Worcester that it is terminating our lease for the La Familia Dual Language School, which is currently occupying a Diocese-owned building, the former St. Stephen's School. As a result of this decision, La Familia's students, staff, and teachers will be moving to the Chandler Magnet School for the 2023-2024 school year.

The WPS administrative team will hold a meeting for Chandler Magnet families on **Tuesday, April 11, from 6:00-7:30 PM, at Chandler Magnet Elementary School, 525 Chandler Street, Worcester.** Language translation services and childcare will be provided.

At the meeting, we will answer your questions about this merger. Chandler Magnet has the space and programming to accommodate La Familia. Chandler Magnet has a maximum enrollment capacity of 800 students; it currently has 402 and La Familia has 172. The merger will lend itself to collaboration of resources that will enhance the educational experiences of the students and grow sustainable programming.

We know the staff, parents, and students at Chandler Magnet will welcome the students and teachers of La Familia with open arms and help them through this transition. We look forward to answering your questions on Tuesday night. Thank you for your understanding.

Sincerely,

Rachel H. Monárrez, Ph.D.
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