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Dear DC Public Schools Parents and Families:

First, I would like to extend a heartfelt welcome back from Winter Break! We are all excited to continue progressing into the new year, and I know 2018 has great things in store for our scholars. As these unique weather conditions affect temperatures throughout the city, I’m writing to proactively communicate what DCPS is doing to ensure that our schools are safe and warm learning environments for our students.

DCPS is closely monitoring the temperatures of our buildings, and we are partnering with the Department of General Services to monitor all HVAC systems. The current weather conditions have caused heating issues at some of our schools, and when this happens, we take swift action to investigate and restore heat if it was lost. We will also be sure to keep you updated when this happens so that you can be assured your students are safe and warm.

The well-being of our students is our top priority. If you have any questions about wintry weather protocols, please see this update from the district https://dcps.dc.gov/page/inclement-weather-guidance or contact your school’s main office.

Thank you for your continued support of DC Public Schools.

Sincerely,

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