



## OFFICE OF THE HEADMASTER

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Members of The Governor's Academy Family:

Over the course of the last three years the Academy community has been engaged in a wide-ranging planning effort. Through surveys, conversations with alumni and parents, and through the focused effort of the Academy's faculty, staff, and board of trustees, we have examined the independent school landscape, assessed our strengths as an institution, and sought to identify and capitalize on opportunities to enhance the quality of the education we offer to our students and their families. The results of those efforts are represented in a comprehensive strategic plan that will guide the Academy for the next decade and beyond.

In 1913 Headmaster Charles Ingham described Dummer Academy as a family school. He recognized that from the school's earliest days, when Master Moody lived with his charges in the Mansion House, relationships between students and faculty members have been at the heart of the Academy's ethos. This defining quality of our school has endured. Our responsibility, like that of successive generations before us, is to address the challenges and opportunities of the present and future while remaining true to this and other qualities that distinguish The Governor's Academy. In that tradition, this strategic plan focuses the time-honored purpose of our school community for the next decade.

We hope that you will share our excitement about the possibilities for the Academy's future. Having recently celebrated our 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary, it is time now to work together to ensure that the Academy's future is as bright as its past.

With best wishes,

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