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Dear returning and prospective parents,

I have had the pleasure of viewing Parkview Arts/Science Magnet High School from a number of different angles: as a teacher, as a parent of a student, as an assistant principal, and now as principal of the number one public high school in Arkansas according to U.S. News & World Report magazine.

As you make this pivotal decision for your student, we want you to know some of the things that make us outstanding: A fine arts program that has no rivals and includes specialty studies in choir, orchestra, band, drama, dance, visual arts. We also have a science magnet program that is geared to help students who want to go into the medical field. We are a small high school with a capacity of just 1200 students. Our student body is diverse and driven, our teachers are caring – but also provide rigorous curriculum that is geared to prepare your child for college.

Parkview does not actually have an “attendance zone,” like most schools in the city. Instead, students choose our school for its academic excellence and its track record. It is not unusual for this high school to have a long waiting list of students who would like to attend.

Additionally, our school is very safe – there is a place for everyone at Parkview both students and the staff take great pride in their ability to accept and celebrate differences. Maybe one of the strongest testaments to our school is the fact that our faculty brings their teens to attend high school here. The school has a nurturing and family-like environment that helps students to thrive and grow as they achieve more than they ever thought possible academically.

Maybe the best way to experience what makes Parkview so special is to see it for yourself. If you would like to tour our school, please call Ms. Mitzi Moore at 501-447-2318.

When you come, we are sure that you will see the same things that we do: Parkview is an amazing school and it remains best by choice.

Please call me or email me if I can assist you in any way!

Sincerely,

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