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Dear Cybersecurity Family,

Thank you for supporting your student(s) in pursuing cybersecurity! Whether you have joined us for Year One, Two or Three, or are finishing up the program, we are thrilled to have you. My name is Janet Hartkopf and I'm the Cyber Program Coordinator. I have been here since the program began and a few months before that. I'm here to help you in any way that I can as you progress through the program. Cybersecurity offers tremendous opportunities at every level, whether your student plans on getting industry certifications and going straight to work or going on to obtain a community college or bachelors' degree. The jobs are out there, and the pay is excellent. We are so pleased to partner with Chandler-Gilbert Community College to make this program dual enrollment. We are also partnered with the University of Arizona at Chandler for the bachelors' program and Advanced Business Learning for students wishing to enter the job market soon after graduation.

Our instructors for the program are Sam Alexander, Jyoti Tamboli and Jonah Mathews at our Chandler HS location. All are incredibly passionate, professional, hardworking instructors with tremendous experience and desire to see your student succeed. They will always be your first point of contact should you have a question regarding the class or curriculum. All are trained in their curriculum and connect with their cohorts to stay abreast of the changes and updates. Don't hesitate to reach out to them.

This year we will be incorporating CTF (Capture the Flag) competitions at each school. Basha will begin CyberPatriot and Chandler will be playing CyberStart America. We are looking forward to connecting with industry, post-secondaries, government, and military cyber professionals to showcase cybersecurity career opportunities to your student. If you wish to speak or volunteer, please reach out directly to me – my information is below. Our websites are www.cusd80.com/BHSCyber or www.cusd80.com/CHSCyber. There is career information, pictures, class overviews and course descriptions and other information all on these sites. Thank you for entrusting your student to us and joining the cybersecurity program!

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