Greetings from AIM!

It is with great pride that we share with you the highlights that together the AIM community has accomplished throughout our fifth full school year. Through the insight and dedicated support of our Board, faculty, families, and many friends, it has been another year of mission-driven growth for both our school and the AIM Institute for Learning and Research as we strive to ensure that children who learn differently have the opportunity to maximize their potential. Most importantly, our students continue to become confident in their abilities, excel in their studies, and express their unique talents and gifts in their work everyday at AIM.

Thank you for believing in AIM. Because of the passionate support of this community, we will be moving into our new home—1200 River Park in Conshohocken, Montgomery County, by year end. This lovely combined campus heralds the next phase of AIM’s development as a valued educational resource for the Southeastern Pennsylvania region.

Please enjoy this year in review and a look into AIM’s bright future!

Warmest regards,

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On Thursday, May 26, 2011, the River Park 2 lease was signed! This exciting event signaled the next step in securing this beautiful facility for the future home of AIM Grades 1-12 and serving to move into the next phase of development of the AIM Institute for Learning and Research vision. With architectural permits for the interior build-out of the property submitted to the Whitemarsh Township Supervisors, formal construction began July 1, 2011.

The Pennsylvania Department of Education will meet on October 14 for final approvals. Move-in plans continue to target mid-December so that students can begin their classes at River Park on January 3, 2012. The interior plans of the building are amazing and are the result of collaboration between our teachers—led by our very own resident architect Susan Braccia, and Blackney Hayes architect Jennifer Crawford.

Proposals for the turf soccer field, playground, and gymnasium are being completed as well, with these plans set to go to the township shortly.

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STATE OF THE SCHOOL YEAR IN REVIEW JULY 2011

NEW HOME FOR AIM!
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Fulfilling AIM’s Dual Mission

It has been another milestone year in the area of Professional Development at AIM. As we approach the end of the school year, we are excited to share our achievements and look forward to the future.

One example of how AIM and a local university are working together to provide high-quality education is the partnership between AIM and Drexel University. This partnership has been developed through discussions with the university and the local community. The goal of the partnership is to provide students with the opportunity to earn a college degree at Drexel University while attending AIM.

The partnership has been particularly beneficial for students who are interested in pursuing a career in education. By providing them with access to high-quality education and professional development opportunities, AIM and Drexel University are helping to prepare the next generation of educators.

In addition to the partnership with Drexel University, AIM has also been working closely with the Pennsylvania Department of Education to provide professional development opportunities for teachers.

AIM welcomed a new team of educators to our faculty this year. These new educators bring a wealth of experience and expertise to our school, and we are grateful for their contributions to our community.

The impact on the community continues as we stay true to our mission of providing a high-quality education to all students. With the completion of the new campus, we are excited to welcome even more students to our community.

We are proud of the progress we have made this year and look forward to continuing our work in the future. Thank you for your support and for helping us make a difference in the lives of our students.

Enhanced Faculty and Staff 2011-2012

With the completion of the pool facility, the aquatics program at AIM is now fully functional. We are already seeing an increase in participation and interest in the program.

AIM’s technology infrastructure has also undergone a significant upgrade. The new network infrastructure includes increased bandwidth and faster internet access.

We are also expanding our technology offerings to include a new library management system and an online classroom. These enhancements will allow us to provide a more personalized and effective learning environment for all students.

AIM is committed to providing our students with the best possible education and we are confident that these new initiatives will help us achieve our goal.

We are grateful for the support of our families and community and we are excited to see what the future holds for AIM.