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Dear Regis Community,

Together with the Auction Committee for *Friday Knight Lights*, Regis' 2021 Auction and Gala, we are committed to providing a safe, in-person experience for our Regis community. From the selection of the venue to the careful planning of safety and sanitization protocols, every effort has been made to provide the safest event possible under the circumstances. Just as we are committed to the safety and well-being of our Regis students on campus, we are equally committed to extending every caution for creating a safe experience for our Auction supporters.

Expected attendance at our venue is well below the 50% capacity mandated by City of Houston and Harris County officials. The Houston Methodist Texans Training Facility ("The Bubble") holds up to 2,000 persons, and average attendance at the Regis Auction and Gala is approximately 340 persons or 17 percent capacity. The air filtration system inside the Texans practice bubble is state of the art and has met the rigorous safety protocol standards of the NFL. Outside vendors, servers and guests will be temperature checked, masked and asked to observe stringent practices in social distancing. Masks and sanitization stations will be provided at the event, and auction and dining tables will be appropriately spaced.

We are greatly encouraged by the trend toward more positive news regarding the decrease in positive cases, lower hospitalization rates and the availability and promise of vaccines. While we are very committed to providing a safe, in-person event for our families to come together and build community, we also understand and sympathize with those who are concerned about the risk. Underwriters who do not feel comfortable attending the event in person may choose an at-home option that will include meal delivery or pick-up customized to their level of support. Arrangements for this option will be made on an individual basis. For those at home, Big Board and Silent Auction bidding will be available on your mobile device via One Cause, the same as in previous years. At this time, Live Auction bidding will require an in-person proxy.

In the highly unlikely event the City of Houston, Harris County or other governing body requires the cancellation of an in-person event, the Auction Committee will pivot with the help of our community to provide a virtual option, with opportunities for an at-home experience for table purchasers. Auction items will move to an all-digital format through our bidding platform, One Cause.

We wish to assure our community that your safety and well-being is our first priority. Whether you are joining us in-person or from home, your support for our Annual Auction is equally vital to ensure the goal is met to support our operating budget. Through these funds we are able to support campus improvements, increased safety needs, curriculum enhancements, competitive salaries and maintain the exemplary staff/faculty ratio to students that is one of the hallmarks of our unique Regis Experience. We hope that you will generously support this critically important event for our Sacred Heart School.

We look forward to seeing you on April 23 to celebrate *Friday Knight Lights*. We have missed you!

Kind regards,

Dennis Phillips, Head of School  
Hannah and Cal McNair, Auction Chairs  
Tara Wuthrich, Director of Advancement