Dear Families and Friends of Palouse Prairie Charter School,

This school year has not been an ordinary year. We celebrate the Palouse Prairie Charter School community's ability to adapt (and even thrive) in an atmosphere that none of us could have imagined a year ago. This year has tested our resilience in every possible way — and we have met each challenge with courage and creativity.

We are CREW, not passengers.

Our motto, We are CREW, not passengers reminds us that we are on this journey together — with responsibility for each other. Whether remote, outdoors, or now largely back in-person, our teachers and staff have maintained the highest standard of teaching possible. Throughout this tough year, students have demonstrated our CREW traits — compassion, respect, engagement, and welcoming — by gathering safely and working in new ways. Families have participated in their children's learning in ways they never imagined. This year has not been an ordinary year, but we are pulling together and making it work.

We are thankful for our Palouse Prairie Community.

Palouse Prairie continues to be ranked as a top public and charter school in the state and country. We are proud of this accomplishment, but even prouder to be a welcoming and compassionate community. We are thankful for our amazing PPCS Crew — families, students, community friends, teachers, and PPCS staff and administration:

• Your dedication to student learning
• Your support for our school community
• Your understanding as we have adjusted to new ways of working
• Your diligence about safety to keep our community healthy

We need your help to complete our playground!

We are almost finished with the initial construction of our unique, nature-based playground, thanks to our community's ongoing generosity. Students are already stretching their bodies and imaginations as they climb, jump, run, and play. Please donate this year! We are raising $25,000 to add other critical features that our students have asked for, including a basketball court, a slide, and swings.

The PPCS playground has been a beacon of joy and hope — and we will complete it together!