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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Welcome to Seattle MESA! We're pleased to inform you that your student has been selected to participate in MESA (Math, Engineering, and Science Achievement).

Your child will take home an AIF (Admission Information Form) home to be filled out, signed by the parent/guardian, and returned to the MESA Teacher/Instructor. The information collected in this form will be used to better serve our students and their families by being able to provide resources. We will be tracking students' progress throughout the year, measuring the impact our programs have on each student.

As the parent/guardian, you are the first person our students look up to and we want to partner with you in being able to enhance your child's STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics) education. Thus, we acknowledge that your support is of great importance to the success of your child and to our program. Occasionally, we have events for parents and we will let you know through your child's school. Also, we encourage you to ask your child about what they are doing at MESA. Engage in conversations of what they like in STEM and how they might potentially see a career there in their future.

Seattle MESA is housed at the University of Washington's College of the Environment. It is designed to enhance the achievement and potential of students in the areas of math, engineering and science. Our mission is to engage a diverse group of students in STEM activities that connect mathematics and science fundamentals to real world examples of use, provide hand-on experience, and demonstrate a range of professions and career paths that students can chart through college and beyond. This will be accomplished through partnerships with higher education, industry and business, government, community organizations, family, and alumni.

In addition, the MESA program sponsors field trips, hands-on activities, and guest speakers. In all, it is an outstanding opportunity for your student to explore their potential in math, engineering and science, adding experiences above and beyond other courses at their school.

If you have any questions, please call Martha Flores at 206-221-6195 or send an email at mgfp@uw.edu.

Congratulations and welcome to Seattle MESA!

Sincerely,

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