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Dr. Adam J. Danser Principal

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Course Update: World History/AP World History

Dear Parent(s)/Legal Guardian(s):

I want to provide you an update regarding a course that your scholar has scheduled with Mr. Cedric Vinson—World History or AP World History. As you know, your child's teacher, Mr. Vinson, has been out for since August 9, 2021. This was an unforeseen absence that continues to this day. Unfortunately, despite our attempts to do so, we have been unable to secure a long-term substitute for these classes. Finding a qualified substitute can be difficult to find in good times, but has been made even more challenging due to the COVID-related realities we face.

Please know that we have been working with the district to resolve this matter as our scholars deserve better. While I cannot reveal specific details, we are pursuing every avenue to get a teacher in place. In addition, we pursued an online option, which would have involved enrolling the students in AVA Flex for this semester, however that will not pan out due staffing realities at AVA. We are now pursuing another online course option through Edmentum. I am also asking the social studies department to more regularly post and check relevant standards-based activities and lessons. Please be reminded that this is a semester long class, so your child's grade will not be final until the end of the first semester in December, which will be after the teacher returns from leave.

If you have additional questions or concerns about your child's educational progress or the substitute teacher, please contact Mr. Donavin Murdock at 404.802.5225 dmurdock@atlanta.k12.ga.us or Dr. Andrea Walton, Social Studies Instructional Coach, at 404.802.5265 andrea.deas@atlanta.k12.ga.us Additionally, please feel free to contact me at 404.802.5240 or adanser@atlanta.k12.ga.us

Thank you for your understanding as we navigate this matter.

Sincerely

Adam J. Danser, Ed.D.

Principal

