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Dear Evergreen Country Day Community,

Happy New Year and welcome back to school! I hope you all had a wonderful time over winter break. An exciting thing happened at ECD over the break -- Kabe ErkenBrack, current Head of Middle School at the Vail Mountain School, was selected and accepted the position as the next Head of Evergreen Country Day.

Kabe has served as an educator for nearly 15 years, having many roles: a math teacher, special education teacher, advisor, coach, and administrator in both Washington DC and Colorado. He is now in his ninth year as Head of the Middle School at the Vail Mountain School. In this roll, Kabe has implemented innovative and successful programs, expanded and brought together the VMS community, supported and enhanced the faculty, and positively impacted operations, finance, and fundraising. Kabe was the Coordinator for Rotary Youth Exchange to Thailand and serves on the Advisory Board and Education Committee at Bravo! Vail. He holds a Masters in Educational Leadership from the Harvard Graduate School of Education. Kabe and his wife, Jamie, live in Vail with their 3-year-old son, Elias, and enjoy skiing, hiking and biking. They will be relocating to Evergreen this year.

Kabe officially begins his tenure as Head of School on July 1st but will be on campus periodically this spring, so if you were unable to meet him during the interview process there will be opportunities yet this school year.

I want to recognize those whose thoughtful work allowed us to identify and recruit our new Head of School. Kabe's appointment is the culmination of an extensive and thorough search that began last summer. Please join me in expressing appreciation to the Head-of-School-Search Committee members, led most capably by Megan Sandquist, and the insightful contributions of the faculty, staff, Board of Trustees, students, and parents who attended meetings, completed surveys, and shared their thoughts with the Search Committee. They were crucial in helping us understand both what our community sought in our next Head of School and how Kabe is the right leader to embrace and continue the mission of ECD.

We are truly excited to welcome the ErkenBracks to our community and for Kabe to lead us into the exciting future of Evergreen Country Day.

Sincerely,

Barb Scripps, Chair Board of Trustees

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