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We hope you enjoy this inaugural issue of AT Extra and find it a useful tool for staying current with Academy projects, issues and concerns. We look forward to your feedback and welcome any suggestions for improvement as we continue to look for ways to better serve your needs.

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