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Dear Students and Families,

I am excited to welcome you back into the 2018-2019 school year! As hard as it is to let go of summer, I hope that you will look forward to this year as either a continuation of previous successes, a year to start anew or a year of great change and maturation.

As your school counselor, I am here to provide guidance and support regardless of whether you are a senior deciding on your post-graduation plans, a junior overwhelmed by the thought of standardized tests or a sophomore finding their way through school! Throughout the year we will have individualized post-high school planning sessions, meetings to create your schedule around your future goals, and academic/emotional/social support when necessary. Our guidance team will be holding classroom lessons with each grade level on how to use Naviance, providing information on PSAT/SAT/ACT exams and navigating through the college planning process. We believe in working with parents/guardians in order to best help our students achieve their goals which is why we will be holding meetings with both of you in the spring of your junior year and fall of your senior year.

Coming from experience as a former college admissions representative and seeing firsthand what colleges are looking for, I encourage you to spend these years not only focusing on your studies and becoming a better student academically, but also making yourself into a well-rounded person. Think of how you want your resume to look when you are applying to college or trying to acquire a job. Get involved, be active and stay busy!

I plan on meeting all of you over the course of the first quarter but please don't be a stranger and wait until I find you. Stop in, introduce yourself and ask me any questions you may have. My door is always open!

Lastly, please keep the following dates in mind as we navigate through this upcoming year.

Monday, September 17th @ 6:00 p.m. – Senior parent night including a presentation on financial aid information. All seniors and their families should attend.

Wednesday, September 26th @ 6:00 p.m. – College Fair-all students and their families are encouraged to attend.

Friday, September 28th @ 9:00 a.m. - Grade 9 Counselor and Parent Breakfast.

Wednesday, October 10th – The PSAT will be administered during school hours to all 10th and 11th grade students.

Thursday, October 18th @ 9:00 a.m. – Grade 10 Counselor and Parent breakfast.

Friday, November 16th @ 9:00 a.m. – Grade 11 Counselor and Parent breakfast.



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Wednesday, April 10th @ 6:00 p.m.— College Planning Night. A panel of college representatives will be discussing college planning and the application process. If you attend this event in your freshmen, sophomore and junior year, you will have heard from twenty colleges.

Tuesday, May 21st @ 6:00 p.m. - Academic Awards Night. An evening to celebrate our senior's accomplishments.

I look forward to working closely with you throughout the year. Please do not hesitate to contact me for any reason. Enjoy your last weeks of summer!

Sincerely,

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