

August 18, 2017

From the Principal's Desk



Dear Parents,

The countdown is on! In just a couple of weeks your child will be back in class, connecting with teachers, and making new friends. We are looking forward to learning about your child as well as to partnering with you for the coming school year.

As you make final preparations for your child's return to school, please take a moment to refer to the [HMS website](#). Under the "Recent News" heading on the main page, you will find many important reminders, sites, and documents linked to help make your back-to-school smooth.

Please also take a minute to review the 2017-2018 Parent Handbook and bookmark it on your device for quick access. Please note that there is a detailed addendum to this year's Parent Handbook outlining our policies around discipline. It is a great resource that will help answer many of your questions about District 39. Additionally there is an addendum for your child's school. Take a look at that because it contains school-specific information to help you navigate the first days back.

You will be receiving communication from your child's Grade Level Administrator (GLAd) when schedule and placement information comes home on Monday. Be sure to also head to the [HMS PTO](#) website to learn about additional updates that will help you get ready for the new school year. Our annual PTO coffee will be hosted during 5th Grade Orientation in the HMS cafeteria.

Please note that our phone system has changed over the summer. Important numbers that you will want to remember are:

Main line for HMS: 847-512-6500

Safe Phone for HMS: 847-512-6550

Enjoy these last few days of summer, and we will see you on September 5!

Kelly