



Summer 2020

Dear 9th-12th Grade Parents, Guardians and Students,

This year school opens on **Tuesday, September 8th**. All High School classes will be taught via Teacher Directed Distance Learning (TDDL) for the first four weeks of school. During this time, a decision will be made as to whether we will continue with TDDL or transition to in-person learning. This decision will be based on various factors including local infection rates and our ability to ensure a safe learning environment for students, faculty, and staff. We will communicate our decision at the end of September.

Building on the experience and successes of our distance learning program in the spring, the High School will be starting each day at 9:45 a.m. with a mandatory homeroom period. Each day will end at 3:45 p.m., with the exception of Friday, when classes will end at 3:00 p.m.

The first day of school, September 8th, will be a half-day. High School students in grades 9-11 will meet with their advisors to go over schedules and protocols. Students in grade 12 will have a special schedule. The entire Waldorf community will be invited to a virtual Opening Assembly and Rose Ceremony, where the Twelfth Graders will be welcoming the First Graders to their Primary School years. High School Advisors will be addressing their classes and introducing new students joining the School for the first time. Parents are cordially invited to attend the Opening Assembly. Exact starting time and a link to the Opening Assembly will be forthcoming.

This year's High School Advisors are:

Ms. Libia Gallo and **Mr. Shane Flanagan**, *Freshman Class Advisors*

Mrs. Emmie Yaeger and **Mr. Victor Kim**, *Sophomore Class Advisors*

Mr. Alexios Kritas and **Mrs. Laura Gleason**, *Junior Class Advisors*

Mrs. Deirdre Burns Somers and **Mr. John Devaney**, *Senior Class Advisors*

In the meantime, I would like to remind all students to review the [High School Handbook](#) (**Appendix B in the WSGC Handbook**), and to please make sure you have completed your reading from the [summer reading list](#) by the first day of school. Also, please see the [supply lists](#) for each of the High School classes. Lastly, enjoy the rest of the summer vacation!

Sincerely,

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