

Dear Families,

We are excited for school to begin in just a few weeks! Please mark your calendar and plan to join us on:

Sunday, August 25th from 1:00-4:00 p.m. for Campus Beautification Day for the students to get together and for parents to start to fulfill their volunteer hours.

Thursday, August 29th at 5:00 p.m. for Middle School Orientation to meet the teachers and hear about some highlights for the upcoming school year, including our first P.E. sessions, Creative Expressions offerings, the first day of school, and our first overnight trip (September 25th-27th).

Tuesday, September 5th 8:00 a.m. First Day of School with an outdoor trip for the students to work together and get to know each other.

Friday, September 6th 3:30-5:00 Back to School Picnic

Here is your Back to School shopping list for the upcoming school year:

- a planner/assignment book - to write homework assignments
- 2 packs of #2 pencils
- a hand-held pencil sharpener (high-quality sharpeners are worth it!)
- 4 one-inch binders (Science, History, Language Arts, French)
- pack of watercolor paper
- set of watercolors
- sketchbook (any size to draw in)
- pack of index cards 3" x 5"

- compass for hiking and Geography class (here are some options: [A](#), [B](#) - if you already have one and know that it works properly, that is fine too!)
- 2 fun books of your choice to keep at school to read
- indoor shoes or slippers
- water shoes for kayaking and canoeing
- gym shorts (will be needed everyday - you can order through Lands End or Amazon - approved colors are black, classic navy, cobalt, and evergreen - no need to add the logo)

[Boys Gym Shorts](#)

[Girls Gym Shorts](#)

*optional - toiletries kit to keep at school (hairbrush, deodorant, toothbrush for braces, pads)

Sincerely,
The Middle School Team