May 27, 2016

Dear Incoming 8th Grade Families:

Please be aware that the 2016-2017 High School Directory were handed out today. Online copies will be also made available at <http://schools.nyc.gov/ChoicesEnrollment/High/Resources/default.htm>. We strongly suggest that you spend time with your child reviewing the material this summer. It is never too early to get a jump-start!

Eighth grade is a very important and exciting time for our students. Please know that I am available to answer all of your questions and help make the high school process as smooth as possible. I will assist you and your child in this process in order to help you make the most appropriate and thoughtful choices for your child’s education. In order to support students and their families, here are some of the examples of what we have put in place:

1. Notices (on pink paper) will be handed out, emailed and posted on the high school admissions section of the web-site to ensure that all parents have access to this important information.
2. High School Articulation Information Night – September date TBD
3. Individual 20 minute meetings with families’ after-school. Parents will be informed as to when we will start taking appointments.
4. 8th Grade High School Assembly
5. Advisory lessons centered on the high school process.

As you’re thinking about schools, here’s a list of where some of our graduates have attended:

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| Art & Design High School | Math, Science & Engineering at City College |
| Bard HS Early College | Midwood |
| Bard Queens HS Early College | Millennium Brooklyn |
| Benjamin Banneker | Murrow |
| Beacon | Nest +m |
| Bronx Science | NY Harbor School |
| Brooklyn Latin | NYC iSchool |
| Brooklyn Tech | NYC Museum School |
| Essex Street Academy | Pace |
| Fort Hamilton | Park Slope Collegiate |
| Frank Sinatra | Professional Performing Arts |
| Harvest Collegiate | Sunset Park High School |
| LaGuardia | Stuyvesant |
| Leon Goldstein | Talented Unlimited |
| Manhattan Hunter Science | Telecommunications |

The calendar is located in the front of the directory, but for easy reference:

# **2016-2107 High Schools Admissions Process**

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| **2016** | **Activity** |
| September | Students fill out Mrs. Corvinelli’s HS Info Form/Survey |
| September - TBD | Attend Mrs. Corvinelli’s High School Articulation Information Night |
| September 24 & 25 | Citywide High School Fair |
| October 15 & 16 | Borough High School Fairs |
| October 22 or  October 23 | Specialized High School Examination – Students will be assigned a test date based on their middle school. |
| October 29 | LaGuardia Auditions, 8:00AM:  Brooklyn A-Z, students auditioning for two or more studios or Technical Theater |
| October 30 | LaGuardia Auditions, 8:00AM:  Brooklyn A-L, students auditioning for a single studio only except Technical Theater |
| October 30 | LaGuardia Auditions, 11:30AM:  Brooklyn M-Z, students auditioning for a single studio only except Technical Theater |
| October 30 or November 5 | Specialized High School Examination – 9th grade students, 8th and 9th grade students with special needs, 504 accommodations, extended time and make-up requests. |
| End of November | High School Applications due. |

Please keep a look out for our frequent correspondence. I suggest that each student have special folder dedicated for the high school process. All correspondence will also be sent out via email.

Have a great summer and we will see you in September!

Sincerely,

Star Corvinelli

School Counselor