Dean of School's Report
September 19, 2016

1. **Admissions:** Admissions is open for the 2017-2018 school year.

2. **Beginning of the New School Year:** School opened with 302 students on September 6 with Middle and High School Opening ceremonies on September 7.

3. **6th Grade Orientation Subcommittee:** The 6th Grade Orientation Subcommittee chaired by Mrs. Barlow did a fantastic job preparing incoming students.

4. **Bus Safety Protocol:** Safety assurances are in place for the instance a child gets off the bus at the wrong stop.

5. **Back to School Night and Parent Portal Training:** The Back to School Night and Parent Portal Training took place on September 8.

6. **Faculty Updates:** Curriculum Coordinator, Chris Kline was elected the new faculty representative on the Board of Trustees.

7. **Role of Curriculum Coordinator:** The Curriculum Coordinator is charged with a host of items including aligning curriculum with the school's mission, auditing syllabi, updating course descriptions, and other charges related to The Founding Fathers' Character and Leadership Curriculum.

8. **Teacher Communication with Students:** A guide for the uses of the portal, Google classroom, email and web site has been issued to assist with teacher/student communications.

9. **In the Words of Students:** The web site has a new feature to highlight student thoughts on the school.

10. **Committee and Department Overview:** Scheduling Committee, Safety Committee, Curriculum Committee, Department Chairmen, Department meetings, full faculty meetings.

11. **Dissection Kit:** The equipment for a science dissection kit was fully funded through Donors Choose.

12. **High School Privileges:** This year high school privileges include lunch outdoors, early dismissal, and the creation of a Student Senate.

13. **THANK YOU:** Forty wooden desks and chairs were recently donated to the school formerly from Andover; and an Outreach Committee meeting held on September 13.

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