



US Class Dean Update

Hi 10th Grade Families,

I hope you had a wonderful summer!

It's midway through our first full week of classes, and we are certainly back in the swing of things at D-E. It's been great catching up with the 10th graders and hearing about their summers and aspirations for the year ahead. As we settle into the school year, I have a few updates for you:

- Activities Fair: This **Friday (9/18)** will be the Student Activities Fair! This event is a fantastic opportunity for students to explore campus life and discover new passions. Our Student Activities Program oversees more than 70 student-led clubs categorized into six key areas: Art, Identity, Interest, Social & Political, Publications, and STEM. Please encourage your 10th grader to explore our offerings on the [Student Activities Website](#) this week and try something new!
- Drop/Add: Students have until **Thursday, September 24** to *add* a new course to their schedule and **Wednesday, October 7** to *drop* a class. I've been working with students the past few weeks on this, and I encourage them to reach out to me if they are thinking of any potential changes to their schedule.
- Fall Class Trip: Our fall class trip will be on **Friday, September 25** and is a "choose your adventure" experience among 4 NYC Museums: The Museum of Natural History, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, the MoMA, and the Tenement Museum. The 10th graders completed a Google Form indicating their choice of museum, and I was pleased to see that there was interest in all four. On the day of our trip, the students will spend the morning at their chosen museum, and then we will all convene as a full grade at the Sheep Meadow in Central Park for lunch. Buses will be taking students to and from NYC, but 10th graders who live in the City have the option, *with parental permission*, to meet us directly at their given museum and go home at the end of our trip directly from Central Park. *Please send me a quick email in the event you are granting your 10th grader permission to take advantage of this option.*
- Back-to-School Night: Back-to-School Night is **Thursday, October 1 from 6:30pm to 10:00pm**. More details to come.
- 10th Grade Fall Parent Forum: Our 10th Grade Fall Parent Forum will be **Monday, November 16 from 7:00pm to 8:30pm in Hajjar Auditorium**. I always enjoy these a great deal and hope to see you there.

As you can see from this email, the beginning of the school year is a busy time indeed. I look forward to seeing you at our upcoming events, and always feel free to get in touch if you need anything.

Best,
Brian