## August 2019

Dear Middle School Families,

I hope this email finds you enjoying your final few days of summer. I am currently in the White Mountains of New Hampshire for our annual Leadership Academy (from August 18 – 23) with 19 of our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade leaders and Mr. Cammarata, Ms. Smith, and Dr. Mancuso. If you'd like to follow us, please check out the Middle School Twitter feed - <a href="https://twitter.com/NicholsMiddle">https://twitter.com/NicholsMiddle</a>. You can check it out for pictures and commentary from our trip, or to get updates, articles, and pictures from the Middle School throughout the year.

We are all excited for the start of another school year, and we welcome some exciting changes around the Middle School. Our new Head of School Chris Burner has been here all summer, and he is very excited to get to know our Middle Schoolers this fall. And, as you've heard, we have a new school management system that will help to manage the way in which we communicate with students and families: <a href="MySchoolApp">MySchoolApp</a>. This new portal replaces both My Backpack and Schoology. Be sure to set up your account prior to the school year so that you can communicate with teachers and access schedules and grades.

I hope that our students have found some time to rest, enjoy their summer reading, and unplug. I look forward to seeing their growth, both physical and emotional, after two months away from school. To ensure that all are ready for the school year, please look over the weekly Parent Newsletter, review the details regarding opening class trips, and return the appropriate forms in a timely manner. If you have any questions prior to the start of school please do not hesitate to call me or Connie Klopp in the Middle School Front Office. I hope to see you all around campus next week once I return from the mountains.

Sincerely,

Paul C. Errickson