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Welcome Back to School!

Dear Akron Preparatory School Students, Families, and Community,

On behalf of the entire staff at Akron Preparatory School, I am excited to welcome you to the **2026–2027 school year!** We hope your summer has been safe, relaxing, and filled with memorable moments. As we begin another school year together, we look forward to partnering with our families to ensure every scholar experiences academic success, personal growth, and a strong sense of belonging.

The first day of school is Tuesday, **August 18th, 2026**, and we cannot wait to welcome our scholars back to campus. We also invite you to join us for **Back-to-School Night on Thursday, August 13, 2026**. This event provides families with an opportunity to meet teachers and staff, tour classrooms, receive important information, and prepare for a successful start to the school year.

Looking Ahead to the 2026–2027 School Year

This year, Akron Preparatory School is committed to building on the momentum of last year while continuing to raise expectations for excellence in every classroom. Our focus will center on providing rigorous instruction, strengthening literacy and mathematics achievement, fostering positive student behavior, and ensuring every scholar is supported academically, socially, and emotionally.

Throughout the year, families can expect:

- High-quality, engaging instruction aligned to Ohio's Learning Standards.
- A continued emphasis on positive school culture through our Positive Behavior Interventions and Supports (PBIS) program.
- Expanded opportunities for student leadership, recognition, and enrichment.
- Strong partnerships with families and community organizations that support scholar success.
- Frequent communication to keep families informed and engaged in their child's education.

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Our theme for the year reminds us that success is achieved when schools and families work together with a shared commitment to student achievement.

Our Commitment

At Akron Preparatory School, we believe every scholar can achieve at high levels when provided with strong instruction, meaningful relationships, and consistent support. Our dedicated staff is committed to creating a safe, welcoming, and inclusive learning environment where scholars are challenged to think critically, grow confidently, and develop the skills necessary for success in school and beyond.

We encourage every family to remain actively involved throughout the year by communicating regularly with teachers, attending school events, and celebrating the accomplishments of our scholars.

Thank you for choosing Akron Preparatory School. It is truly a privilege to serve your family. Please review the enclosed materials for important information regarding school policies, supply lists, uniforms, transportation, and upcoming events.

Together, we will make the **2026–2027 school year** one of growth, achievement, and excellence for every scholar.

We look forward to seeing you soon!

Warm regards,

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