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*“Developing our students’  
knowledge, skills and talents  
to the fullest so they  
can make the world  
A better place for all.”*

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Dear Parents/Guardians of Incoming Dawson New Students,

It is with great enthusiasm that I welcome you and your child (ren) who will be coming to Dawson for the 2019-2020 school year. If this is your first child attending our school, I am pleased to welcome you to one of the finest public school programs in the area and the spirited Dawson School community.

This letter is to inform you of our upcoming new student orientation which is scheduled for *Thursday, August 22, 2019*. Please arrive at the school for 10am and plan for approximately 1.5 hours. Our goal is to share information about Dawson School and to familiarize you and your child with our school before the first day, which, this year will be Tuesday, August 27th. My Assistant Principal, Shannon Bischoff, and I will meet with you in the gymnasium to welcome you and your child. You may wish to familiarize yourselves with the Dawson School website as well as the PTA website to find out about other events occurring even before the school year begins. You can access this via: <https://dawson.wrsd.net>

At the orientation we'll give you pertinent information and a tour of the school. We also hope to provide you with bus information as well as your child's access codes for Power School, which is how you will view your children's grades and get other important information. If you have not yet submitted registration papers, please do so at your earliest convenience in order for us to have any and all important information from you, as well as for you. We also encourage you to fill out CORI forms as soon as possible, which can be found on the WRSD website. You will need a CORI badge to participate in the many school activities we enjoy here at Dawson. Feel free to bring the form, along with a copy of your license, on orientation day, and we'll forward them to Central Office for processing.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE NURSE: IT IS MANDATORY THAT WE HAVE YOUR CHILD'S MEDICAL RECORDS BEFORE SCHOOL STARTS OR THEY MAY NOT START ON TIME**

I'm very much looking forward to meeting all of you.

Sincerely,

Melissa Wallace

