

Dear Students and Families of the Class of 2027,

On behalf of the entire New Trier High School staff, we would like to wish you a wonderful 8<sup>th</sup> grade year. As you mark the end of your middle school years, we are excited for you to begin your journey toward high school and look forward to working with you in the coming months to make that transition as smooth as possible.

Enclosed with this letter is *Getting to Know New Trier High School*, a booklet meant to help answer many of your questions about our school. We encourage students and families to read through this publication to find out more about how we make our big school seem small. Through programs like the adviser system, our post-high school counseling program and opportunities such as clubs (about 150!), athletics (35 sports), and performing arts, we truly have something for everyone.

In everything we do, we are guided by our mission "to commit minds to inquiry, hearts to compassion, and lives to the service of humanity." We want each of our students to grow socially, emotionally, and intellectually so they are prepared to lead meaningful, compassionate, and impactful lives after graduation.

In the coming weeks, we will email you information about upcoming placement test dates, events, and more. We will also be updating our Incoming Freshmen web page (<u>www.newtrier.k12.il.us/incomingfreshmen</u>) with information for the Class of 2027. Please do not hesitate to reach out if you have any questions, and best of luck with 8<sup>th</sup> grade!

Sincerely,

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