

## Newark School of Data Science & Information Technology

Dr. Liana Summey, Principal



## August 5th, 2022

Greetings Newark School of Data Science & Information Technology Students and Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 School Year! My name is Dr. Liana Summey and it is a privilege to introduce myself as the Principal of the Newark School of Data Science & Information Technology. I am honored to be a part of the Circuit Family and to continue to lead our school as your principal. I am very excited about the opportunity to build and lead our educational community with each of you at my side.

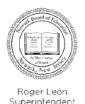
As an educator, I pride myself in recognizing the unique brilliance that lives in each and every student. Through a productive partnership between students, parents, teachers, and staff, I look forward to collectively working with you to ensure that learning and tapping into every student's individual talent is our main priority. Our mission is to prepare students for immediate college and career opportunities by combining the most innovative curriculum in data science with cutting-edge, industry-standard technology. The Newark School of Data Science & Information Technology seeks to prepare the next generation of research scientists and information technology professionals with the expertise to bring about organizational and technological change in all aspects of their community by providing a world class educational experience to every student.

Below you will find important information and procedures regarding the opening of school this September, including information on school curriculum, programs and activities, policies and procedures, as well as health and safety protocols.

Thank you for choosing the Newark School of Data Science & Information Technology. I look forward to seeing you at the following events and serving you throughout the school year.

## Important Information:

- Freshman Summer Bridge Program Monday, August 15th Friday, August 19th 2022; @8:30am-1:00PM. Summer Bridge is MANDATORY for all students. Please register <u>here</u>.
- **Student Orientations -** All students are required to attend their grade level orientations before school starts. All orientations are held in-person.
  - Sophomore Orientation: Wednesday, August 24th, 2022; 9:00AM -11:00AM
  - Freshman Orientation: Thursday, August 25th, 2022; 9:00AM -11:00AM
- First Day of School Tuesday, September 6th, 2022.
- Daily Start Time & Dismissal The school day begins at 8:20AM and ends at 2:40PM. Students are expected to be in class and ready for instruction daily at 8:20AM.
- **Attendance** Students who attend school every day succeed academically and socially and outperform their peers who are absent. Students are expected to be present in school every day
- Lunch Applications All families are required to complete a lunch application for the 22-23 school year. Please complete the lunch application <u>here</u>.
- **Health and Safety -** Everyone is required to wear face-coverings and follow CDC guidelines for social distancing at all times to protect the safety of everyone. Please do not send your child to school if they are not feeling well and contact the main office or school nurse at 973-350-5088.



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- School Uniforms All students must be in uniform every day. The uniform code is as follows: Kelly Green polo shirts with black pants or skirt. Uniforms may be purchased at Flynn O'Hara -196-198 Ferry Street or Kids Place 311 Ferry Street, Newark, NJ.
- Arrival doors for students All students will enter at the Chapman street entrance. Student entry begins at 7:45AM daily.
- Back to School Night Thursday, September 22nd, 2022, @ 6:00-8:00PM. This will be your opportunity to meet your child's teachers, learn their academic curriculum and goals for the school year, and tour your child's school and classrooms.
- **Communication** Please continue to check our school website <u>https://www.nps.k12.nj.us/data-science/</u> for more. I will also be communicating through SchoolMint. Please also follow our social media:
  - Instagram @nps\_datascience
  - Facebook https://www.facebook.com/npsdatascience/
  - **Twitter** <u>https://twitter.com/nps\_datascience</u>

Additional information regarding after school activities, student schedules and IDs, and technology distribution will be provided via Schoolmint and at student orientations. If you have any questions or concerns, please call 973-350-5088 or email Barbara Sas at <u>bsas@nps.k12.nj.us</u> for assistance.

Best Regards,

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