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Staten Island, New York 10314  
**Ms. Jessica Jackson, Principal**

November 5, 2020

Dear 8th Grade Families,

COVID-19 has had a profound impact across every aspect of our school system, including the High School admissions process. As a result, we're updating our pre-pandemic admissions timeline to ensure ample time for families to explore schools and apply once the application launches. Please note:

- **The high school application is not yet open, and no longer closes on December 4, 2020.** You will have additional time to apply.
- **Registration for Specialized High Schools admissions is not yet open, and did not close on October 21, 2020.** You will have additional time to register.
- Dates and locations for the high school fairs, the Specialized High Schools Admissions Test (SHSAT), and LaGuardia High School auditions—as listed in the 2021 NYC High School and Specialized High Schools Admissions Guide—will also change.
- Begin to research and review the High School Application process and various High School choices via the NYC High School Admissions Guide Book.

**The 2021 NYC High School Admissions Guide Books** have finally arrived. We will be distributing the books to all in-person blended students during their class sessions on November 4, 5, & 6 which are Cohort A, B and C days. These books are for all 8th grade students to keep. **If a student is a full remote learner, books will be available for pick up at the main entrance of the school, Monday - Friday between 8:00 am-2:30 pm beginning on November 4, 2020.** If you are unable to pick up a book during the days and times listed above, please email [ms.movsesian@roccolaurie.com](mailto:ms.movsesian@roccolaurie.com) to make alternate arrangements. If you would prefer a book in your native language, please specify when picking up.

**TACHS EXAM:** If your child is taking the TACHS Exam, please email Ms.Iburg at [ms.iburg@roccolaurie.com](mailto:ms.iburg@roccolaurie.com) to inform her. Every student taking the TACHS Exam must fill out Applicant Record that can be found on the TACHS website. Please make sure to submit this to Ms.Movsesian for our blended learners and Ms.Iburg for our remote students.

We appreciate your patience and will keep you updated with more detailed information and timelines as soon as it is provided to us.

Sincerely,

Ms.Movsesian- 8th Grade Assistant Principal  
Ms.Iburg - 8th Grade Guidance Counselor