

Westlake Middle School | An IB World School

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Dear Families,

Please take a moment to access some of the information on the Westlake Middle School website. The [IB Middle Years Program](#) page contains information about the IB program and the *IB@WMS Newsletter* section is updated periodically. The most recent newsletter is about having a *growth mindset*. This is the idea that with perseverance and thoughtful reflection, intelligence, ability, and performance can improve dramatically. Encouraging a *growth mindset* in students helps them become better students and more engaged citizens, not only in school but in their wider communities.

The International Baccalaureate Middle Years Program (IB MYP) is an approach to learning that encourages students to make practical *connections* between their studies and the real world. While striving for grades is an important way of measuring success it is important to balance this with a focus on the positive impact that learning *experiences* have on motivation and preparation for college, career, and life.

We also encourage you to visit the [Westlake STEAM Website](#). The *Alumni In The News* Section features former students who have found success in science, technology, engineering, and math related careers. They have shared their stories about how challenging classes, rewarding internships, and other *experiences* guided them in knowing and choosing what to do with the valuable skills that they learned in middle school and high school.

Thank you for taking the time to access this information. Students are never too young to connect the experiences that they are having now with the endless possibilities of the future.

Sincerely,

Handwritten signatures of Mr. Anthony Mungioni and Ms. Christine Parrottino.

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