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Dear Parents and Students:

What a great year it has been! We are so proud of how our students successfully transitioned to a new building. Despite a few initial glitches, it didn't take long for all of us to take full advantage of this wonderful educational space.

Summer reading expectations and forms for incoming grades 9, 10 and 11 can be found on the school webpage at http://abingtonps.org/schools/2017-required_summer_reading_for_incoming_grades_9_and_10.php. Students have been given this material in their classes. Book lists are linked to Amazon.com as well as available at the Abington Public Library. "Reading is to the mind what exercise is to the body" (Sir Richard Steele).

Next year we will be introducing a 1:1 student laptop computer program. All students will be provided a laptop by Abington Public Schools. This is an exciting opportunity afforded to our students through the new building project; integrating technology into teaching and learning. The details of the policy for laptop use will be sent out in the fall as we issue student computers.

The Main Office will generally be open from 8:00 am to 2:00 pm. Parents and students are advised to call 781-982-2160 to ensure that the main office is open. The Guidance Office will generally be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 8:00 am to 12:00 noon through the month of July beginning July 10th. Working papers and transcripts are available during those hours. Once a student has a job, working papers can be processed.

Your report card is enclosed. Please look at the final average of courses to be sure that a course and/or credits do not need to be made up during summer school. Making a course up in summer school is always preferable to trying to fit it into next year's schedule, or simply ignoring it, in order to keep students on track for graduation. Also, in order to be eligible for fall athletics a student must have passed five classes in the fourth quarter and earned twenty-five (25) credits for the previous school year.

Abington Public Schools will offer summer school courses for students who have failed a subject and need to recover credit and/or complete a sequential course. To be eligible for summer school remedial coursework, students must receive a 50-59 final average for the year. Guidance counselors will notify students who are eligible for summer school. For more information, contact Summer School Director Brian Lanner at 508-272-1490 or brianlanner@abingtonps.org.

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Any student wishing to participate in a fall sport at AHS must register online at www.familyid.com (search Abington). Please create an account and register your child for the fall sport they wish to play. All forms will be filled out and signed electronically through this registration. Parents and students can check the status of and update their physical form (must be within 13 months and on file in the school nurse's office). User fees should be paid online at www.myschoolbucks.com. Student athletes and parents for any sport should plan on attending the mandatory Athletic Information night on August 22nd in the AHS auditorium. Follow [@AbingtonAD](https://twitter.com/AbingtonAD) on twitter for updates and changes.

Classes will begin on **Wednesday, August 29, 2018**. Details about the opening of school and freshman orientation will be mailed home in early August. Student Schedules (2018-2019) will be available through the student portal upon completion of the end-of-year state reporting. Anticipate an email notification in mid-August. Have a great summer!

Sincerely,

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Principal

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Assistant Principal