

# OAK PARK AND RIVER FOREST HIGH SCHOOL

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November 1, 2017

Dear Parents/Guardians of Eighth Graders:

This is an important time for you and your student as you think about the transition to high school. You are seeking the best match to help your student grow academically, cultivate new interests and talents, form friendships to last a lifetime, and build a firm foundation for the journey toward responsible adulthood.

We hope you'll explore Oak Park and River Forest High School as a choice for your soon-to-be freshman. We offer more than 200 courses in a dynamic and rigorous academic setting. Our extensive co-curricular program includes 29 competitive sports and approximately 70 organized clubs and activities. These enriching opportunities allow students to explore their unique talents and interests in pursuit of—as our motto says—“*those things that are best.*”

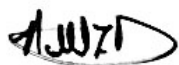
Detailed information about the December 2 and 9, 2017, placement test, which helps guide course recommendations for your student's freshman year, will be mailed in November. Please plan to attend the **Mandatory Incoming Freshmen Enrollment Information Meetings for Parents/Guardians**, to be held on January 23, 2018, for last names **A – L**, and January 25, 2018, for last names **M – Z**. This is when you will receive your student's Star Math and Reading Assessment scores and freshmen course recommendations, as well as enrollment documents.

Please plan on attending the annual **Open House**, which will be held Tuesday, February 6, 2018 from 6-8 p.m. You and your student will have the opportunity to check out OPRF, meet teachers, and learn about courses, activities, teams, sports and clubs. Also starting at 6 pm, **Counselor Course Selection** meetings will take place. Students, along with their parents, will meet in groups according to counselor assignment.

On the back of this letter, you will find a listing of the **Class of 2022** transition activities. In some cases, noted throughout, further information will be mailed to your home. Please use this overview to mark your calendar now, so that you don't miss these important events.

We look forward to welcoming you to Oak Park and River Forest High School in the near future!

Sincerely,



Nathaniel L. Rouse  
Principal

## Class of 2022 Eighth Grade Transition Activities

### October, 2017

#### **For Students: Huskie Transition Tours**

On a field trip to the high school, public-school eighth-graders from Districts 90 and 97 will learn about OPRF's 200+ courses, 70 clubs and activities, and 29 competitive sports; tour the school; and participate in a Q&A session with OPRF students. **Private-school students may attend on October 31 with an advance reservation.** Please RSVP to Melody Brown, assistant to the Director of Student Activities, at [mbrown@oprfs.org](mailto:mbrown@oprfs.org) or 708-434-3774.

- Monday, October 30—Julian & Roosevelt
- Tuesday, October 31—Brooks & Parochial Schools (**Private schools must RSVP in advance**)

### December, 2017

#### **For Students: Mandatory Star Math and Reading Assessments/World Language Placement Test at OPRF - Saturday, December 2 and 9, 8:00 am. (doors open at 7:45 am)**

No registration necessary for students who currently reside in Oak Park or River Forest.

#### **Makeup test:**

Tuesday, December 5, 4:00 – 7:00 pm and Saturday, January 13, 8:00– 11:00 am - **Registration required.** A forthcoming letter will detail information regarding your student's testing-room assignment.

### January, 2018

#### **For Students: OPRF Student-Life Presentations to Eighth Graders by OPRF Principal, Counselors, and Activities Staff**

Presentations take place at the middle schools during the school day. Dates to be determined.

#### **For Parents/Guardians: Mandatory Incoming Freshman Enrollment Information Meetings**

Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 7:00 pm, Auditorium, **for last names A – L**

Thursday, January 25, 2018, 7:00 pm, Auditorium, **for last names M – Z**

Families will receive students' placement test scores and freshman course recommendations, as well as enrollment documents.

### February, 2018

#### **For Parents/Guardians: Individual IEP Meetings for Students with Special Needs**

Individually scheduled throughout February.

#### **For Parents/Guardians & Students: Class of 2022 Open House & Freshman Course Selection**

Tuesday, February 6

- *Open House: 6-8 pm, Field House & Student Center (enter at Main Entrance).* Come check out OPRF, meet teachers, and learn about courses, activities, teams, sports and clubs.
- *Course Selection: 6 pm,* Students (with parents) meet in groups according to counselor assignment. Further details will be mailed.

### Spring, 2018

**Summer School Online & Mail-in Registration** -- Dates to be determined.