



Back to School



Dear Parents and Students,

Welcome back to a new academic year at Metropolitan! I hope you had a restful summer break. I am excited to commence this journey of academic excellence alongside every one of you. As we step into this next phase, I extend my sincere gratitude for your continued support and dedication to our esteemed educational community.

Last year was nothing short of extraordinary, fueled by our 22-26Met “Future Ready” Strategic Plan's resounding success. With academic achievements that radiated across our campus, we stand more determined than ever to reach new levels of excellence. Our unwavering pursuit of growth remains steadfast as we stand at the brink of yet another transformative year.

I am delighted to share that our enrollment continues to grow, with more than 100 new families joining our vibrant educational community. A warm and enthusiastic welcome to all new families and students who have joined Met! Your presence enriches our collective journey, and we look forward to building lasting relationships.

Our school has now blossomed into a full-fledged PreK-12th-grade system, marking a monumental milestone in our journey. And yes, you heard it right – we proudly present our first-ever graduating class, the exceptional Class of 2024! Let us rally behind them and witness the remarkable legacy they are poised to create.

Stepping into my second year as School Director, I am driven to lead and learn alongside you with renewed energy. While we remain adaptable and progressive, I assure you that our core academic resources remain steady. Your valuable feedback from last year's community interactions has been carefully considered, and our unwavering commitment to providing exceptional education remains firm.

The 23-24 school year also holds exciting new chapters as we expand our student experiences/offerings:

- **Genius Hour (Intervention):** Our **Kg2-8th-grade** students will now benefit from Genius Hour, a comprehensive academic support system. This initiative reflects our commitment to student success and growth.
- **Elementary Drama Program:** Our youngest stars, the 4th & 5th graders, will grace the stage with our new Drama program. We're eager to see their creativity come to life!
- **Competition Sports Teams:** This year, we're diving headfirst into competitive sports with Varsity and JV teams in soccer, Basketball, and Swimming. Leading this charge is our new

Athletic Coordinator, who is ready to inspire both skill and teamwork (tryouts coming soon).

- **Expanded AP Courses:** To enrich our high school student's academic journey, we're introducing AP Literature, AP Psychology, and AP 2D Art. These additions underscore our pursuit of academic excellence.
- **“Met Pratique Le Francais”:** We are excited about our year-round after-school French program set to start in October for all of our Pre-K - 2nd-grade students.

With an air of anticipation and a spirit of determination, we are poised to commence this academic year collectively dedicated to achievement, innovation, and inspiration.

We look forward to seeing all of our students back very soon, as a reminder:

- 1st day of school for High School Students: **September 4th**
- 1st day of school for Middle School Students: **September 4th**
- 1st day of school for Elementary School Students: **September 5th**
- 1st day of school for Early Childhood Students (KG1&KG2): **September 6th**
- 1st day of school for Pre-K Students: **September 18th**

Here's to a year marked by growth, learning, and the endless possibilities that lie ahead.

See you all very soon,

Mr. Espino

School Director