



BROOKS SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Returning students had a blast welcoming new students to campus and leading them in orientation activities on Tuesday. See more than a hundred [images from the Opening Day in our photo album](#) on brooksschoolphotos.com.

Hello From the Deans' Office

A few reminders for the next few days:

- Brooks' country-themed BBQ and dance are on Saturday night. Third- and fourth-form day students must be picked up by 11 p.m. Fifth- and sixth-form day students should depart by 11:30 p.m. Please note: These pick-up times apply to every Saturday night.
- Field Day is on Sunday at 3:30 p.m. Although Field Day is not required, we strongly encourage day students to participate.

Additional information for the upcoming school year:

- Each time your child takes a weekend, contact the Deans' Office by Thursday afternoon to let them know in advance of extended absences.
- Boarding students are not permitted to have a car on campus for any reason.

If you have any questions, please get in touch:

Dean of Students [Willie Waters](#) '02: (978) 725-6293

Assistant Dean of Students [Ashley Johnston](#): (978) 725-6282

Club Fair is Tonight!

This evening, from 7 to 8 p.m., we will be celebrating our annual club fair in the Wilder Dining Hall. The event is a chance for students to learn what clubs and student interests are available.

Student Activities This Weekend

Check out the full schedule of events [here](#). Highlights include the country-themed BBQ, with a dance to follow, and Field Day on Sunday!

Form Trips Are on Thursday Next Week

On Sept. 13, all students will participate in form trips, rain or shine. Click [here](#) to learn more about what each form will be doing and reach out to Dean of Students [Willie Waters](#) if you have any questions.

Reminder: Parents Committee Meeting Sept. 28

The first Parents Committee meeting of the year will be on Sept. 28 from 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. Come and hear from Head of School John Packard P'18, P'21! To learn more about the committee, visit our website's [Parents Committee page](#).

Course Add/Drop Deadline

Reminder: The add/drop period for student courses extends through the first two weeks of school and will close on Sept. 20. All students considering a course change should contact Academic Dean [Susanna Waters](#).

How to Put Money on Student Debit Cards

New this school year, Brooks has partnered with online student debit account provider, [MyKidsSpending.com](#), through which parents can fund student debit accounts with an echeck, debit card or a credit card. [See their guidebook](#) for information about logging in and making deposits. If you have any questions, contact support@mykidsspending.com.

Parent Volunteer Opportunities

There are many ways that all parents can help our community here at Brooks. A few that are school-wide include Brooks game-day hospitality, admission waiting room volunteering and decorating for Family Weekend. Click [here](#) to learn more about the opportunities and sign up to lend a hand. Thank you!

New Show in the Robert Lehman Art Center

The first show in the [Lehman, "Friends and Family,"](#) has its formal opening on Sept. 27 from 7 to 9 p.m. Come check it out!



During orientation on Tuesday, the [Learning Center](#) held brief information sessions for students. Many new students learned how to use the resources in the center and discussed strategies for navigating the new school year - as well as staying organized -- during this busy first week. (See a photo of one group's visit above.)

Upcoming Events

- Sept. 13: Class Trips Day
- Sept. 28: Parents Committee Meeting, Reception for "Friends and Family" exhibit in the Lehman Art Center
- Sept. 29: Alumni Homecoming, Admission's Fall Visit Day
- Oct. 25: Third- and Fourth-Form Parent Reception
- Oct. 26 & 27: Family Weekend
- Nov. 1: Chicago Reception
- Nov. 5: New York Reception

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