



BROOKS SCHOOL

PARENT NEWSLETTER

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Students had a blast at our BBQ-themed opening weekend party on Saturday. Check out our [photos from the event](#).

Share Your Thoughts With Us!

We would love to have your feedback on the opening of school and our communication during the summer. If you are so inclined, please complete this anonymous [survey](#) with your thoughts about how the opening went for your family. Your impressions and ideas are important to us. Thank you!

Student Activities This Weekend

See the full [schedule](#). Highlights include bingo and the first open house at the Packards!

Go Inside the Classroom with Dean's Blog

Ever wish to be a fly on the wall inside Brooks School's classrooms? Academic Dean Susanna Waters lets you do just that with her [Deans' Den Blog](#). Every Monday, Waters will share her experiences accompanying students across all forms to many of the [classes offered at Brooks](#). Click [here](#) to read about her latest visit.

Save the Date for Family Weekend

Plans are underway for our annual Family Weekend. We look forward to having you on campus! A detailed schedule will follow but, for now, highlights include:

- Third- and fourth-form (freshman and sophomore) parent reception: Oct. 25
- College Counseling programming, football game under the lights, instrumental works-in-progress: Oct. 26
- Mini classes, welcome from John Packard, athletic contests: Oct. 27

If you have any questions about the weekend, please contact Associate Director of Alumni and Parent Programs [Nicole Jackson](#).

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](#).

Admission Volunteer Meeting

The Admission Office is looking for volunteers for the waiting room! If you are a volunteer or interested in becoming one, please join us on Sept. 18 in the Keating Room (inside of Wilder Dining Hall). We will go over information on procedure, forms, signing up for times and cover some new additions and changes on campus. The schedule is:

- 12:15 p.m. lunch
- 1 p.m meeting (should last an hour)

If you are unable to make the meeting but are interested in volunteering, please contact co-chair coordinators Kara Delaney (karad@ipswichmaritime.com) or Dana D'Orio (alecio16@comcast.net).

New Show in the Robert Lehman Art Center

The first show in the [Lehman, "Friends and Family,"](#) has its formal opening on Sept. 28 from 7 to 9 p.m. Come check it out!

A Note From the Health and Wellness Center

A reminder for families hosting athletic team dinners: Please check with coaches about food allergies and sensitivities that team members may have to avoid any issues.

Moon Festival

Our Asian-American Association will celebrate the traditional Asian mid-autumn Harvest Festival, or Moon Festival, on Sept. 23. Feel free to send moon cakes (or other traditional treats that have a long shelf-life) to campus with your student to help him or her be a part of the celebration.

School Store Special

Is it your child's birthday? Did she score a game-winning goal? Or maybe you just want to surprise him with a treat? Learn about our [Gifts From Home](#) program!

The P.A.C.: Parents' Academic Corner

Learning Center Evening Hours
2018-19

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
7:00-7:50 PM Peer tutors available for all subjects	CLOSED	CLOSED			
8:00-9:55 Study Hall	8:00-9:55 PM Study Hall	8:00-9:55 PM Study Hall	8:00-9:55 PM Study Hall	CLOSED	CLOSED

The first week of classes created an energetic bustle in the [Learning Center](#). In our work with teachers and students this week, the Learning Center has focused on goal setting, binder and backpack organization, as well as digital organization. Please encourage your student to reach out for help with that. Does your student have a digital organization system? Click [here](#) for an article that outlines some strategies that may help keep his or her computer organized!

Also note: The Learning Center is open for scheduled appointments, as well as drop-ins, during the academic day. A faculty member and peer tutors are available for academic support from 7 to 7:50 p.m., Monday through Thursday. The Learning Center study hall is available *only* when set up ahead of time between the student, advisor and the Learning Center faculty.

Upcoming Events

- **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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