



August 10, 2018

Dear CCSP Families:

I hope you are having a great summer! I am looking forward to working with you and your family this year. My name is Curtis Palmore; I am the CEO of Community Charter School of Paterson. I look forward to connecting with you all throughout the school year. In preparation, we are hosting 'Family Orientation Nights' the last week of August and first week of September. Our goal is to provide you and your family with the information necessary to start the year off right! Please review the dates/ times for the upcoming Family Orientation meetings for each grade/campus. The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 4, 2018**. Additionally, there are several important things to consider for this coming year.

In an effort to increase student achievement at CCSP, we are making two changes to our academic program. The first is increasing the amount of time dedicated to Teacher Professional Development. Similar, to most Charter Schools, this year and moving forward, **Wednesday's will be an early release day for students, with a dismissal at 1:00 p.m.** Teachers will be in training and planning sessions from 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. ELT will be available for most families after the 1:00 pm dismissal on Wednesday, however, families should plan for a 1 p.m. pick up.

Our Extended Learning Time (ELT) offerings will shift this year to ensure that tutoring is prioritized for struggling learners. At the 75 Spruce Street Campus, priority will be provided to students who need more academic support after-school. We will notify families in September about the students that are required to attend tutoring this year. Information about the Before School Program and Extended Learning Time programs will be shared at the orientations. Please ensure that you are in attendance at these meetings. We look forward to seeing you there.

Lastly, I am very excited to share that we have recruited and retained many amazing educators and leaders for our students. At the orientation meetings you will have an opportunity to meet the new administration at the Middle School and many of the amazing educators at CCSP. For your reference is a list of the Parent Orientation dates.

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Parent Orientation Days

- Kindergarten: Monday, August 27, 2018 (6pm) @ 75 Spruce Street
- 1st - 2nd Grade: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 (6pm) @ International High School
- 3rd - 4th Grades: Wednesday, August 29, 2018 (6pm) @ International High School
- 5th Grade: Tuesday, August 28, 2018 (6pm) @ Rogers Bldg 32 Spruce St.
- 6th Grade: Monday, August 27, 2018 (6pm) @ Rogers Bldg 32 Spruce St.
- 7th - 8th Grade: Wednesday, September 5, 2018 (6pm) @ Rogers Bldg 32 Spruce St.

Sincerely,



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