



MONTCLAIR KIMBERLEY ACADEMY

August 2019

Dear Class of 2023,

Welcome to the Upper School! In this August mailing, you have received general information about the upcoming Orientation Day on September 3. I now want to provide you with more specific details about your orientation program on this exciting first day at the Upper School.

As soon as you arrive on **Tuesday morning at 8:00am**, you will head to the Dining Hall and sit with your advisor groups to begin the day. The first community members you will meet that morning will be your advisors and your peer leaders, perhaps the most important people in helping you to navigate your ninth grade year. After hearing from Dr. Flocco and me, you will spend time with your advisor group, where you will go through registration and have the opportunity to get to know more about your advisor, the members of your advisor group and peer leader.

After registration and advisor group time, you will take part in an activity that we value highly at the Upper School: community service. You will bond with classmates while volunteering your time to local businesses. (**Please note:** many of the service locations involve working in a garden, so please wear/bring appropriate clothing and footwear for such an activity, and if the weather is hot we suggest bringing a water bottle, sunblock, and a hat as well. Since you will take your school picture earlier that day, you may want to wear clothing specifically for the picture and change into other clothing for service afterwards).

After this busy morning, we have an enjoyable afternoon in store for you. We will gather together for a barbecue to provide you with additional opportunities to meet your fellow classmates. Afterwards, the Peer Leaders have put together a fun afternoon of activities to allow you to get to know your classmates. At the end of the afternoon, you will take part in an Academic Center Orientation, so you will feel comfortable and confident in utilizing this amazing space that we hope you will use often throughout your Upper School career. **Orientation Day will conclude at about 2:45pm.** By the end of the day, we hope that you will feel more comfortable at the Upper School, that you will have met new friends, and that you will be looking forward to beginning your MKA Upper School classes the following day!

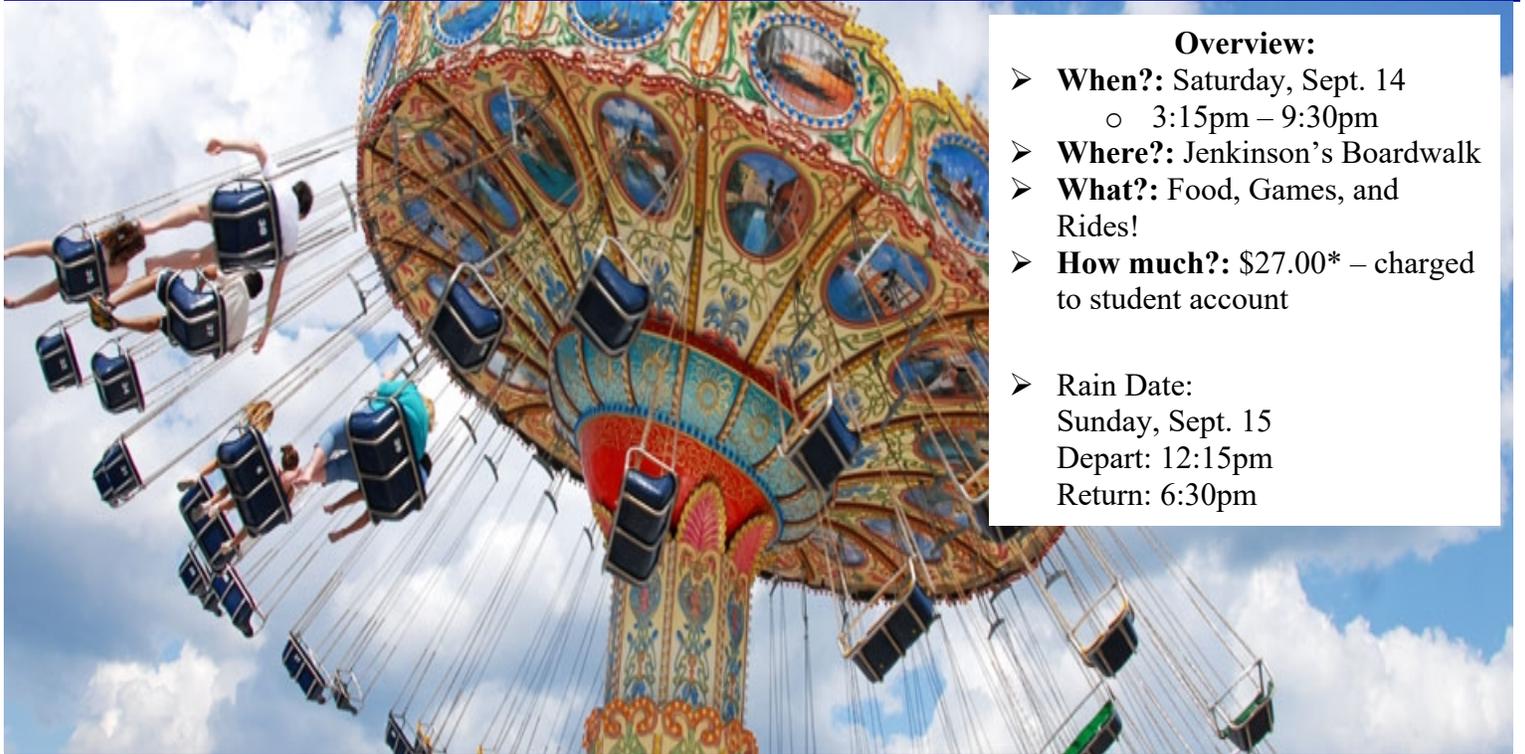
All the best,

Allison Brown

Allison Brown
Ninth Grade Dean

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A Night at The Boardwalk



Overview:

- **When?:** Saturday, Sept. 14
 - 3:15pm – 9:30pm
- **Where?:** Jenkinson's Boardwalk
- **What?:** Food, Games, and Rides!
- **How much?:** \$27.00* – charged to student account

- **Rain Date:**
Sunday, Sept. 15
Depart: 12:15pm
Return: 6:30pm

Saturday, September 14, 2019

All 9th graders are invited to **MKA's A Night at the Boardwalk** for an evening of fun!

3:15pm: 9th graders board busses at US to travel to Jenkinson's Boardwalk, Point Pleasant

4:30pm: 3.5 hours of Rides, Arcade, and Food

8:00pm: 9th graders board busses to return to MKA for parent pickup

9:30pm: End of evening – Parent pickup at Upper School

RSVP: Regrets only by Wednesday, September 11

\$27.00 – charged to student account (*if this event poses a financial burden for your family, please contact Allison Brown)

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