2019-20
BACK-TO-SCHOOL GUIDE
Dear Norfolk Collegiate,

As we prepare for our 72nd school year, I find myself reflecting on the milestones from last year and being energized for the year ahead. Last year we welcomed our second pre-kindergarten class, enhanced our facilities with a renovated life-sciences lab thanks to the generosity of the Beazley Foundation Inc. and made possible many exciting upgrades by surpassing our Collegiate Fund goal of $275,000.

This year is even more exciting as we welcome our first class of pre-Kindergarten 3 students in more than 40 years. We are thrilled to announce that our pre-Kindergarten and Kindergarten programs are thriving, and we have wait lists for those classes. We continue to prioritize creating a school environment to help students think critically and explore the world around them. We’re moving forward with our strategic plan to foster that growth and ensure our students and community continue to benefit. This year, we’re looking forward to unveiling our newly renovated chemistry lab and student commons in the middle and upper school thanks to the generosity of the Beazley Foundation Inc., inaugural year of the intersession program and so much more.

As our school evolves, so does our talented faculty, staff and administration. Last year, we said goodbye to a few colleagues, some retiring and others seeking new adventures. This August, we’re welcoming several new faculty and staff members to our team, as well as welcoming familiar faces in new roles. We’re looking forward to their vitality and expertise breathing new energy into this school year.

I’m eager to hear about everyone’s summer adventures upon their return to school, but I especially hope everyone found a moment of rest during the summer holiday.

Sincerely,

Scott G. Kennedy
Headmaster
6 REASONS
WE’RE EXCITED ABOUT THIS YEAR!

THOUGH THERE ARE MANY EXCITING CHANGES OUR OAKS WILL EXPERIENCE THIS YEAR, BELOW ARE JUST 6 HIGHLIGHTS.

1. OUR ACORNS JUST GOT CUTER!
We’re welcoming the cutest cohort of 14 three year olds to our campus! Our youngest Acorns will learn to question, explore, think and problem solve in a safe environment conducive to social and emotional growth. Leading the group will be Ms. Christie Huse, a familiar face to our pre-Kindergarten 4 families.

2. INTERACTIVE PANELS
In an era when technology is changing at record pace, Collegiate is opening our classrooms to new interactive panels for our evolving needs. The new panels were made possible thanks to the generosity of our auction’s fund-an-item donors. The new panels will be placed in classrooms throughout the school and will provide another opportunity for a hands-on classroom experience. Benefits of the panels include the ability to annotate on any input and run any educational application, as well as capture classroom notes with a digital whiteboard that can then be saved to NetClassroom for parents and students to reference. The board’s multiple points of touch also allow students and teachers to interact simultaneously!

3. TABLETOP SCIENCE GOES 3-DIMENSIONAL
Thanks to combined efforts, our lower school scientists will be able to easily visualize science concepts thanks to the augmented reality, AR, sandbox. How does it work you ask? Users create topography models by shaping sand with their hands. The sand is then augmented in real time by an elevation color map, topographic contour lines and simulated water on a screen to teach geographic, geologic and hydrologic concepts.
WE'RE GETTING INQUISITIVE

Thanks to a generous grant from the Beazley Foundation Inc. renovations continued in the upper school science labs over the summer. Room 36, the chemistry lab, was refitted to mirror the renovation that took place last summer for the biology lab. However, there are differences, including a dedicated teacher workspace and counter tops meant to withstand the chemicals used in the lab. The goal of the renovation was to create a space that fosters student independence to better prepare them for a university lab experience. The renovated space will now allow more labs to take place in each course. Additional storage, preparation space and updated technology, will allow faculty to focus on hands-on experiences that can be used for inquiry and the enhancement of the topic being studied.

INTERSESSION

Norfolk Collegiate is incorporating an intersession—a period of concentrated learning between academic sessions—to bring immersive and experiential learning opportunities to our Grade 9 through 12 students for a week of learning beyond the classroom from Feb. 24-28, 2020. The program will afford our students the chance to explore the world beyond campus and expand personal horizons through weekly advisory and other intersession-related programming stemming from our partnership with the Experience Institute. Each year, students will identify a focus and carve out an individualized path revealing new learning and understanding. By graduation, these projects will showcase each student’s unique upper school journey and personal growth.

HELLO STUDENT COMMONS

Oaks are going to love the new Student Commons on the Granby campus. Thanks to a generous grant from the Beazley Foundation Inc., the main lobby was renovated to include updated furnishings and a new layout to better equip students, faculty and guests with a social and collaborative space. The Student Commons provides comfortable spaces for students, faculty and guests to gather, build community and learn. Meeting areas also encourage collaboration while individual seating areas support independent work.
ALL PARENTS

☐ Upload and complete the requirements for each child in Magnus Health before the first day of school, Aug. 22.

UPPER SCHOOL PARENTS

☐ Purchase books (listed on Norfolk Collegiate’s website).

☐ Label student’s name in books, calculators and clothing.

☐ Plan to attend locker setup on Aug. 20 from 3:30-6:30 p.m. or on Aug. 21 from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Students may bring their own lock for their locker or purchase a lock from Ms. Paula Cook in the upper school office.

☐ Purchase Collegiate shorts and T-shirt from school store for PE.

☐ Attend parent orientation on Aug. 21. This is for ALL parents of freshmen and ALL parents new to Collegiate (please see pages 8-9 for more details).

☐ Athletes: ☐ Review Athletic Handbook
☐ Upload Athletic Physical Form to Magnus Health before first day of practice.
☐ Check Norfolk Collegiate website for first day of athletic practice.
☐ Purchase, if needed, appropriate athletic equipment for you child’s sport.
LOWER SCHOOL PARENTS

- Purchase your student’s supplies (listed on Norfolk Collegiate’s website).
- Label student’s name in books and other school materials.
- Attend new student and parent orientations, playdates and open house on Aug. 21.
- Bring school materials to set up desks and cubbies during orientation for returning students on Aug. 21.
- Purchase a Norfolk Collegiate collared shirt from the Collegiate Corner for field trips.

MIDDLE SCHOOL PARENTS

- Purchase supplies and books (list on Norfolk Collegiate’s website).
- Label student’s name in books, calculators and clothing.
- Plan to attend locker setup on Aug. 21 from 3:30-5:30 p.m. Middle school students should not purchase a lock. They will be issued one.
- Purchase Collegiate shorts and T-shirt from school store for PE.
- Attend sixth grade and new student and parent orientations on Aug. 21. This is for all parents of sixth-grade students and parents new to Collegiate.

Athletes:
- Review Athletic Handbook
- Upload Athletic Physical Form to Magnus Health before first day of practice.
- Check Norfolk Collegiate website for first day of athletic practice.
- Purchase, if needed, appropriate athletic equipment for your child’s sport.
The new school year is here and there are a flurry of orientation events you’ll want to make sure are on your calendar. Here is your divisional breakdown to ensure a smooth orientation. As always, we are here to help you, so please reach out to the appropriate division with your questions.

**AUG 20**

**UPPER SCHOOL LOCKER SET-UP**

All upper school students are welcome to set up lockers from 3:30-6:30 p.m. so they are prepared for a smooth first day of classes.

**AUG 21**

**UPPER SCHOOL ORIENTATION**

**FRESHMEN & NEW STUDENT ORIENTATION | 10 A.M.-12:30 P.M.**

Details | This is for ALL freshmen (new & returning) and ALL new students in grades 9-12 to Norfolk Collegiate. This will be held in the Hackney Theater in the Meredith Center for the Arts. Students are NOT required to be in school dress. At the conclusion of orientation activities, students will have time to set-up their lockers. Questions? Contact Mr. Chris Tillson, dean of students, at ctillson@norfolkcollegiate.org.

**PARENTS OF FRESHMEN & NEW PARENT ORIENTATION | 10-10:30 a.m.**

Details | This is for all parents of freshmen and new parents. It is held in the Hackney Theater in the Meredith Center for the Arts. At its conclusion, our athletic office, business office and other staff will be available for questions. Please note the end times may vary by up to 30 minutes.

**LOCKER SET-UP | 10 a.m.-2 p.m.**

All upper school students are welcome to set up lockers so they are prepared for a smooth first day of classes.
MIDDLE SCHOOL ORIENTATION

**SIXTH GRADE ORIENTATION | 9 A.M.-NOON**
Details | All sixth grade students returning and new to Collegiate should be dropped off at the middle school entrance on Suburban Parkway where they will meet their faculty advisors and classmates. Students are NOT required to be in school dress for orientation. Please bring iPads and any other materials for setting up their lockers.

**NEW SEVENTH & EIGHTH GRADE STUDENT ORIENTATION | 9 A.M.-NOON**
Details | Students new to our seventh and eighth grade should be dropped off at the middle school entrance on Suburban Parkway where they will meet their faculty advisors and classmates. Students are NOT required to be in school dress for orientation. Please bring iPads and any other materials for setting up their lockers.

**SIXTH GRADE PARENT & NEW SEVENTH & EIGHTH GRADE PARENT ORIENTATION | 11 A.M.-NOON**
Details | New parents will learn about the middle school opportunities, dress code, advisory and more from the comfort of the Hackney Theater in the Meredith Center for the Arts.

**LOCKER SET-UP | 3:30-5:30 P.M.**
Details | All middle school students will be issued locks and are welcome to set up their lockers so they are prepared for a smooth first day of classes.

LOWER SCHOOL ORIENTATION

**K-5 NEW STUDENT & PARENT ORIENTATION | 8:30-9:30 A.M.**
Details | This is a wonderful opportunity for our NEW K-Grade 5 students and their parents to become more acquainted with Collegiate. Please join us for this informative time together and don’t forget to bring your school supplies.

**PRE-K 3&4 PLAY DATE & ORIENTATION | 9:30-10:30 A.M.**
Details | All pre-K 3&4 students and their parents are invited to our playdate. We hope you join us and get to know your classmates at the lower school. Please RSVP to Catherine Thomson at cthomson@norfolkcollegiate.org or 757.625.0471, ext. 1641.

**OPEN HOUSE FOR RETURNING STUDENTS | 10 A.M.-NOON**
Details | All returning students and parents are requested to join us at our Open House. This is a great time for your child to settle into his or her new learning environment and unpack supplies.
Your child’s safety is paramount to Norfolk Collegiate. Our faculty, administration and parents have the responsibility to see that every child is safe while being dropped off for school in the morning and being picked up in the afternoon. We have revised our procedures and have outlined them below. Please contact your child’s division if you have questions regarding the procedures. We appreciate your assistance in helping to ensure everyone’s safety!

**LOWER SCHOOL ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL PROCEDURES**

1. Please refrain from using your cell phone when in the pick-up and drop-off lines.
2. NEW: K-Grade 5 students who arrive earlier than 8 a.m. will be directed to Morning Extended Care. Please use the second entrance on the Tidewater Drive side of the building (see above illustration).
3. Parents dropping students off between 8-8:15 a.m. should enter from either Tidewater Drive or Willow Wood Drive and should proceed to the front of the school. After 8 a.m., students go directly to their classrooms.
4. Please have children ready to exit the car along the front entrance of the building. After 8 a.m., do not drop students off at the side door (Tidewater Drive entrance).
5. Please pull your car forward to the front of the drop-off area (adjacent to the playground area). Please keep moving forward as cars in front of you leave. There will be faculty and Safety Patrol members to greet and assist your child in exiting the car. You may be asked by a faculty member or Safety Patrol member to move your car forward before allowing your child to exit.
6. Children should exit through the passenger side so that they may enter the building quickly and safely. This way your child will be arriving and exiting on the sidewalk rather than into the path of approaching traffic. Have your children’s book bags with them in the car rather than in the trunk.
7. Once you have dropped off your passenger, you may proceed out from Tidewater Drive or Willow Wood Drive exits.
8. All students arriving late must be accompanied by their parents and signed in at the front office.
MIDDLE SCHOOL ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL PROCEDURES
Parents should enter Suburban Parkway from Granby Street and proceed toward the middle school entrance.
1. Please pull vehicles as far forward as possible to help with traffic flow.
2. Drop off and pick up should take place in the right-hand side of the corridor.
3. Please DO NOT block the crosswalks, and please do adhere to the posted 5 mph speed limit.
4. Exiting vehicles should use the left side of the lane and exit toward the senior parking lot. Please look carefully before slowly pulling out of the right side drop-off and pick-up lane.
NEW: For your child’s safety, Norfolk Collegiate will NOT allow any middle school students to cross Suburban Parkway to get into an awaiting car in the Granby House parking lot or a car parked on Suburban Parkway. Please park and cross Suburban Parkway with your child if you need to cross this street.

UPPER SCHOOL ARRIVAL & DISMISSAL PROCEDURES
Parents should enter the Meredith Center for the Arts parking lot from Granby Street and proceed toward the main lobby entrance near the Scribner Belltower.
1. Please pull vehicles as far forward as possible to help with traffic flow.
2. Drop off and pick up should take place in the right-hand side of the corridor.
3. Please DO NOT block the crosswalks, and please do adhere to the posted 5 mph speed limit.
4. Exiting vehicles should use the left side to pass other cars in the lane and proceed toward second exit in the faculty parking lot. Please look carefully before slowly pulling out of the right side drop-off and pick-up lane.
NEW: For your child’s safety, Norfolk Collegiate has blocked off certain sections of the parking lot to allow for safer drop-off and pick-up procedures.
NEW FACES

Wesi Boyer, middle and upper school strings

Wesi is a familiar face to the Collegiate community. Wesi is the mother of alumni Francis ’17 and Clint ’10 and has been an encouraging strings teacher to our lower school students for more than 20 years. This spring she retired from more than 30 years as a violinist with the Virginia Symphony Orchestra. Prior to that, she played in the Hong Kong Philharmonic Orchestra. She holds a bachelor’s degree in violin performance from the Hong Kong Conservatory of Music. Please join us in welcoming Wesi to the middle and upper schools.

Lynda Bynum, accounts payable

Lynda joined the Norfolk Collegiate community in June and is now one of our newest business office gurus. She’s a Texas native with more than 30 years in the accounting field. Lynda will be responsible for the school’s payables and assisting where possible with the day-to-day functions of our business office. She has a bachelors degree from the University of Texas at Arlington. Lynda has three grown children—two daughters and a son—and is enjoying life in Norfolk. She’s excited to be at Collegiate, so stop by and welcome Lynda to the community.

Jeanette Corey, lower school music teacher

Jeanette is also a familiar face for many of our families having served as the long-term substitute music teacher last year. Corey received a Bachelor of Music in vocal performance from Christopher Newport University. She has worked as a hall director at Camden Catholic High School in Cherry Hill, New Jersey where she was responsible for 33 international students. While at Camden, she also tutored and served as a high school substitute teacher.

Gabby Cosey, athletic trainer

Gabby is replacing Carly who is now working with athletes at Virginia Wesleyan University. Gabby comes with a wealth of experience having worked with student-athletes in independent and public schools alike during her time with ATI Physical Therapy. Gabby earned her bachelor’s degree in athletic training from Towson University. She’s is a small town girl at heart, originally from Felton, Delaware, and loves spending time at the beach and drawing.

Kathy Garris, first grade teacher

Kathy is joining the Collegiate community from St. Patrick Catholic School where she most recently taught second grade. She has experience in the independent and public schools teaching pre-Kindergarten and second grade students. She holds a Bachelor of Science in interdisciplinary studies from Old Dominion University. She is looking forward to helping our youngest students develop a passion for reading and writing.
Ashlynn Humphry, pre-Kindergarten 3 assistant

Ashlynn is joining the Collegiate community from the New E3 School where she was the lead pre-Kindergarten teacher for the last two years. Prior to the New E3 School she served as a teacher’s assistant at Children’s Harbor Inc. where she worked with pre-K children. She received a Bachelor of Psychology from Old Dominion University. Ashlynn is excited to bring her hands-on learning techniques to our youngest students.

Dyanna Hornbaker, middle and upper school chorus

Dyanna joins Collegiate with a wealth of experience in leading, rehearsing and accompanying choirs, musicals, ensembles and soloists of all ages and abilities. Prior to Collegiate she worked as the ladies ensemble music director and children’s choir director for Francis Asbury Methodist Church and as a piano/voice teacher at the Academy of Music, to name a few. Dyanna holds a Bachelor of Music from Old Dominion University, and we’re sure you’ll be singing her praises in no time.

Britney Hodge, middle school science

Britney joins the Collegiate family from Virginia Beach where she was most recently a long-term biology substitute at Landstown High School and a teacher intern at Salem Middle School. She is Navy veteran having served six years as electronics technician before pursuing a career in education. She holds a Masters of Science in education from Old Dominion University and a Bachelor of Science in bioscience laboratory research and analysis from Farmingdale State College. Britney is excited to be able to combine her love of science with her love for children.

Britney Hodge, middle school science

Britney joins the Collegiate family from Virginia Beach where she was most recently a long-term biology substitute at Landstown High School and a teacher intern at Salem Middle School. She is Navy veteran having served six years as electronics technician before pursuing a career in education. She holds a Masters of Science in education from Old Dominion University and a Bachelor of Science in bioscience laboratory research and analysis from Farmingdale State College. Britney is excited to be able to combine her love of science with her love for children.

Jennifer Kenner, registrar & college counseling administrative assistant

Jennifer comes to Collegiate with many years of experience in education, from educational support to academic advising. Most recently, Mrs. Kenner served as the upper school registrar at Norfolk Christian Schools. Previously she wore many hats during her 18 year tenure at Regent University, including serving as an academic advisor and assistant director of admissions and advising for the School of Education. She holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Maryland. Jennifer is looking forward to being able to work in a pre-K through Grade 12 setting. She enjoys getting to know students who are very young and just starting their school career to those who are older and will soon be finishing those years and going on to higher pursuits.
Debra Kraus, lower school administrative assistant

Debra will be greeting our youngest students with a hearty smile from the front desk at the lower school. Debra, a Norfolk native, has her Bachelor of Science in exercise science from Old Dominion University. Debra joins us most recently from Sentara Hand Therapy where she worked as a clinical exercise specialist. Prior to that she worked at Chesapeake Regional Hospital and Sentara Norfolk General Hospital in inpatient and outpatient cardiac and pulmonary rehabilitation. Debra served on the boards of Virginia Association of Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Rehabilitation and Christ the King School Board. She’s very excited to be back in a school setting and is looking forward to being a part of the Collegiate family.

Meagan Starks, middle and upper school Spanish teacher

Meagan joins the Collegiate family most recently from Virginia Beach’s Princess Anne High School where she spent the last nine years teaching, leading and inspiring a diverse group of students in Spanish. Outside of the classroom, she has traveled abroad with her students to Germany, Austria, Switzerland, Spain, France and Great Britain. She holds a Bachelor of Arts from Old Dominion University, and is currently pursuing her master’s in counseling from Liberty University. She’s looking forward to supporting Collegiate students any way she can!

Barbara Sutelan, middle and upper school mathematics teacher

Barbara is a familiar face to many of our families not only as mother to Rachel ’19 and Edward ’15, but also as a substitute teacher. She joins the Collegiate family most recently from Norfolk Public Schools where she served as a middle school math interventionist for the last six years. Barbara has a Bachelor of Arts in sociology and a Master of Science in elementary education from Old Dominion University.

Marleigh West, pre-Kindergarten 4 assistant

Marleigh is joining the Norfolk Collegiate community from Cape Henry Collegiate were she worked as the lower school science teacher for the past year and as the lead teacher at their summer camps for five years prior. She has a Bachelor of Arts and Sciences in human service studies from Elon University. Marleigh is excited to bring her love for educating children to the pre-Kindergarten 4 classroom and looks forward to seeing our children blossom throughout the year.
**NEW ROLES**

**Jill Archer, middle school dean of students**

Jill has been teaching English to our middle school students for three years and will be adding another hat to her responsibilities as middle school dean of students. Jill will continue to teach English while also working as dean to ensure the healthy growth and development of students, work to sustain a positive and enriching school culture and enhancing the overall student experience. She is happiest when students make new connections and have the “Aha!” moments of learning. She taught at Osbourn High School in Manassas for 11 years as an English teacher before becoming the literacy instructional coach and reading specialist. Jill holds a master’s from George Mason University and a bachelor’s from Old Dominion University.

**Gina Gordy, fourth grade teacher**

Gina is a familiar face for our lower school families. For the past two years she served as our pre-Kindergarten 4 assistant. Now, she will be working with our older acorns as one of our fourth grade teachers. Gordy graduated with a Bachelor of Science from Old Dominion University. She is currently pursuing a master’s in Elementary Education from Grand Canyon University and most recently taught at Talbot Park Preschool where she wore many hats. In the mornings, she was the lead pre-Kindergarten teacher for four and five year olds. In the afternoons, she acted as an assistant director where her administrative responsibilities ranged from hiring faculty to overseeing renovations to their building to building websites.

**Christine Huse, pre-Kindergarten 3 lead teacher**

Christine is another familiar face at Collegiate having first worked as the lower school interim extended care site supervisor last fall before transitioning into a pre-K4 assistant teacher. She worked with Collegiate students during aftercare several years ago before becoming a kindergarten teacher in Virginia Beach. She has a Bachelor of Science in psychology from Old Dominion University, and she is so excited about meeting her new group of Oaks!

**Ashley James ’94, lower school technology teacher**

Ashley will be trading her fourth grade lessons for age-appropriate technology lessons as the technology resource specialist. She will be responsible for teaching technology lessons to pre-Kindergarten through fifth grade students, as well as assisting lower school teachers with technology integration and support. Prior to her new role, Ashley served as a fourth grade teacher at Collegiate for 19 years. She holds a Bachelor’s of English from Randolph-Macon College and a Master’s of Education from Old Dominion University. Ashley is excited to be able to continue her love of learning in a new role and is invigorated to bring this passion to the lower school students. She is mother to Caroline ’21 and Ava ’26 and Christian.
**Rebecca Klein, kindergarten teacher**

Rebecca is a familiar face having worked as our lower school learning resource program tutor last year. This August she will be returning to the classroom as our newest a kindergarten teacher alongside Mrs. Adams. Before coming to Collegiate, Rebecca wore many hats including being a fifth grade teacher and special day class teacher in California and as a special education teacher in Virginia. Rebecca holds a Master of Arts in teaching from James Madison University and a Bachelor of Arts in English and elementary education from Bridgewater College.

**Dr. Catherine Thomson ’94, lower school dean**

Catherine has been a loving first grade teacher for many years. Beginning this year, she will serving as the new lower school dean. In her new role, she will be responsible for lower school student life, as well as will be working to implement lower school curriculum, including creating and implementing the new pre-Kindergarten 3 program. She has her doctorate from Old Dominion University, a Masters of Education from the University of Virginia and a Bachelors of Science from James Madison University. Catherine is mother to Landon ’29 and Elliot ’25.

**Jan Weintraub, middle school counselor**

Jan is a familiar face for many of our families coming from the lower school where she served as the counselor for many years. Jan will be continuing her lessons of love and kindness to an older audience as the middle school counselor. Jan’s responsible for creating a comprehensive program to foster student well-being and success in the middle school, as well as working to meet the social-emotional needs of students and offering support services to students and their families. She holds a Masters in Education in school counseling and a Bachelor of Science in women’s studies from Old Dominion University.

**Gina Vitale, director of auxiliary services**

Gina is also a familiar face to many of our lower school families having served as our enrichment and summer programs coordinator last year. This year, she will be serving as the director of auxiliary services and working hard to ensure our younger Oaks have a blast before and after school. Gina received her Master of Education from Ohio Dominican University and a Bachelor of Science from West Liberty University. Make sure you pop in and say “hi” to Gina!
In six years, the number of student-athletes participating in a varsity or junior varsity sport has more than doubled at Collegiate. Below is a breakdown of the athletic program at a glance.

**Number of sports offered for Grades 6-12 including:**
- Baseball
- Boys Basketball
- Girls Basketball
- Cross Country
- Cheerleading
- Crew
- Golf
- Field Hockey
- Boys Lacrosse
- Girls Lacrosse
- Sailing
- Boys Soccer
- Girls Soccer
- Softball
- Swimming
- Boys Tennis
- Girls Tennis
- Volleyball
- Wrestling

**Number of ways you can stay in the know including:**
- Online athletic calendar
- Online team pages
- Facebook & Twitter
- Oaks on the Move email (Grades 6-12 families)
- Oaks in Action blog at ncsathletics.wordpress.com.

**DID YOU KNOW?**
Our varsity coaches and athletes host clinics for our littlest Oaks, including:

- **LACROSSE**
  - AUG. 21-25
- **SOCCER**
  - NOV. 4-8
- **BASKETBALL**
  - JAN. 13-17
- **CHEER**
  - FEB. 3-7
- **FIELD HOCKEY**
  - MARCH 23-27

**THREE**
Number of seasons students may compete throughout the year in middle and upper school. Tryouts for our teams include:

**fall**
- AUG. 12 | V. sports begin
- AUG. 19 | JV sports begin
- AUG. 26 | MS sports begin

**winter**
- NOV. 4 | V. & JV sports begin
- NOV. 12 | MS sports begin

**spring**
- FEB. 18 | V. & JV sports begin
- FEB. 24 | MS sports begin
parents, grandparents, alumni, trustees, faculty and friends have generously supported Norfolk Collegiate. We’re grateful so many believe in our vision and have supported us through the years.

Your support helps us today, tomorrow and beyond not only in retaining the resources to develop critical thinkers, doers and explorers but by also continuing to provide our Oaks with innovative, engaging instruction in an inclusive and supportive learning community.

Your gifts help to provide the best faculty, educational resources and facilities for the most important aspect of our school: the students. Below are ways you can support Collegiate:

1. **VOLUNTEER**
   Volunteers are always appreciated in concessions, school store, library, field experiences and with our special events. Learn more at our volunteer information breakfast on Sept. 11.

2. **CHEERLEAD**
   You LOVE Norfolk Collegiate (we do, too)! Help us spread the word by inviting families to our events and encouraging them to apply.

3. **DONATE**
   It takes more than tuition to provide a great education and an even better experience for every Oak. Please donate to the Collegiate Fund. More at NorfolkCollegiate.org/OnlineGiving.

4. **SPONSOR**
   Maximize your investment by becoming a sponsor (see page 19 for details). It’s a rewarding experience for you and our Oaks.

5. **SHOP**
   There are several community partner programs, like AmazonSmile, Harris Teeter VIC cards and the BoxTop app, that rewards Collegiate when you shop.

6. **HOST**
   We love partnering our students with community members for community service, internship and career opportunities. If you would like to learn more, please contact Cayte Brown ’08 at cbrown@norfolkcollegiate.org.
NEW FOR 2019-20

ANNUAL SPONSORSHIP PACKAGE

There are an incredible array of opportunities for organizations and individual families to maximize their investment in Norfolk Collegiate. Your commitment to this program is a commitment to our students. Marketing, advertising, branding and recognition will be based upon your level of support. If you or your organization chooses to donate time or in-kind donations, we will be happy to work with you to create a sponsorship package that best correlates to your level of support.

To learn more about the program and reserve your level of support, please contact Jamie Stump, annual fund and special events manager, at jstump@norfolkcollegiate.org.

**PLATINUM**

$10,000
This exclusive level is available to only 3 sponsors and includes platinum level benefits to our three biggest events of the year, opportunities with our new Day of Giving and intersession program and much more!

**GOLD**

$5,000
This premiere level is available to only 4 sponsors and includes benefits to our two biggest events of the year and much more!

**SILVER**

$2,500
This level is available to only 5 sponsors and includes benefits to our two biggest events of the year and more!

**BRONZE**

$1,000
This level is available to only 10 sponsors. It’s is a perfect opportunity for a family or smaller organization to maximize their commitment to the school while also maximizing their investment and includes benefits to our two biggest events of the year and more!
EXTENDED CARE SERVICES
To assist our working families and student-athletes, Norfolk Collegiate offers before and after school extended care services for our lower and middle school students. Below is a breakdown of the options.

EXTENDED CARE FOR LOWER SCHOOL STUDENTS
Extended Care is available from 7–8 a.m. and 3–6 p.m. every day school is in session, as well as teacher work days, parent-teacher conference days and faculty in-service days.

Cost: Before school care: $6 daily | After care: $18 daily
The cost is for K-5 only, pre-Kindergarten is included in tuition.

Faculty in-service days: Hours 7 a.m.– 6 p.m.: $50 (does not include lunch)
Half days and early dismissal days are $35 (does not include lunch)

You’re only charged for days your child attends the Extended Care Program. The extended care registration form is available online at NorfolkCollegiate.org. You can read more about the program under the “Our Program” tab on the school’s website. Contact the lower school, at 757.626.1820 or gvitale@norfolkcollegiate.org with questions.

EXTENDED CARE FOR MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS
Extended Care is available from 7:15–7:50 a.m. and 3:10–6 p.m. every day school is in session. It is NOT available on teacher work days, parent-teacher conference days and faculty in-service days.

Cost: $50 registration fee each semester

You’re only charged for days your child attends. The registration form is available online at NorfolkCollegiate.org. You can read more about the program under the “Our Program” tab on the school’s website. Contact the middle school, at 757.480.2885, ext. 3306 or email Chrisy Cooper at ccooper@norfolkcollegiate.org with questions.

BILLING, STUDENT ACCOUNTS & TRANSPORTATION:
The business office is your main point of contact for questions about financial aid, payment plans and transportation. Norfolk Collegiate provides bus transportation from Norfolk, Portsmouth, Suffolk, Chesapeake, Virginia Beach and Border Station. Contact Karen Grover at 757.583.0919 for transportation questions and Bev Shore with any questions or concerns regarding billing and student accounts at 757.282.5313.

HOW WE COMMUNICATE
NORFOLKCOLLEGIATE.ORG
The website serves many purposes. For our current families, we offer an array of information once you login to the school’s website. There you will have access to:

- Lunch Menu
- Publications
- Online Library Resources
- Summer Assignments
- Textbooks & School Supplies
- Student Directory
- Magnus Health Portal Link
- And More!

DIVISION-SPECIFIC COMMUNICATIONS:
Each division and head of school will communicate via email throughout the year. Please make sure your contact information is updated with the school.
NETCLASSROOM
Grades pre-K-12 utilize this web-based program to post grades and assignments and facilitate communication between teachers, students and parents. To access NetClassroom, visit NorfolkCollegiate.org and click the login button. For login information, questions and technical support, please contact Bev Shore at 757.480.2885, ext. 1147, or email at bshore@norfolkcollegiate.org.

SOCIAL MEDIA
The school uses Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to promote upcoming events and share school happenings. Follow us at Facebook.com/NorfolkCollegiateSchool, Twitter.com/NrflkCollegiate and Instagram at Instagram.com/NrflkCollegiate.

PARENT AMBASSADORS
Parent Ambassadors, PAs, are current parents who serve as liaisons and resources for a specific grade. Each grade has two ambassadors who will communicate upcoming events, class activities, teacher appreciation events and more throughout the year. Be on the lookout for emails from your parent ambassador as the year kicks off.

STUDENT DIRECTORY
The Student Directory provides contact information for current students. This directory is available on the website under the parent portal (you must be logged on to view the directory).

SCHOOL CLOSURES
If the school should need to close due to inclement weather or for an unforeseen emergency, the school will communicate with parents via phone, email and text, on the homepage of our website and through social media. In the event of inclement weather closures, notices also will be posted on the scrolls of local news stations. Ensure your contact information is correct by logging into the website and selecting “Edit My Profile.”
The school calendar is an excellent resource for activities and opportunities to get involved with the community. The printed calendar was mailed to our families in July and is mirrored by an electronic version at NorfolkCollegiate.org/Calendar, which has additional details including specific times, locations and contact information. It’s updated throughout the year and is also available as an iCalendar online.

Throughout the year Collegiate hosts many important events to bring our community together. Below are a few of the events that you will want to mark on your calendar. On page 23 are early dismissals, school closures and observed holidays. These are the same important dates that were emailed earlier in the summer to our families. They’re also listed on the school’s website and in the printed calendar.

**PARENTS’ NIGHT | AUG. 29 & SEPT. 5, 2019**

This is an opportunity for our parents to hear about school-wide enhancements and have the opportunity to visit their child’s classroom and speak with teachers.

- Lower school Parents’ Night is Thursday, Aug. 29, at 7 p.m.
- Middle and upper school Parents’ Night is Thursday, Sept. 5, at 7 p.m.

**FALL FAIR & HOMECOMING | OCT. 18 & 19, 2019**

This is a weekend of celebrating alumni, current families and faculty and staff. The festivities kick-off with a pep rally Friday during school and culminate with alumni reunions the following day.

**FRIDAY**
- Pep Rally
- Oyster Roast & Taste of Collegiate
- Athletic Events

**SATURDAY**
- Athletic Events
- Fall Fair
- Homecoming Dance
- Alumni Class Reunions

**DAY OF GIVING | MARCH 12, 2020**

Join Norfolk Collegiate for our inaugural Day of Giving in support of everything that makes our students exceptional! For 24 hours, parents, alumni, students, faculty, and friends of Norfolk Collegiate around the country will come together to celebrate and support the school.

**SPRING SPORTS FEST | APRIL 17, 2020**

Celebrate Norfolk Collegiate’s birthday (a little belated) with the Oak community on the Franklin & Mathas Family Fields. The evening event hosts athletics competitions and activities for our younger Oaks.

**ANNUAL AUCTION | MAY 2, 2020**

The Annual Auction is Norfolk Collegiate’s largest fundraiser of the year. Grab your spouse and bring your friends for a night of bidding, bonding and all things merry. No matter your budget, this event has something for everyone.
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

**2019**

- **August 12**: Varsity athletics begin (see website for details)
- **August 19**: Junior varsity athletics begin (see website for details)
- **August 20**: International student orientation (see website for details)
- **August 21**: Orientation day (see website for details)
- **August 22**: First day of classes Pre-K4-Grade 12
- **August 26**: First day of classes for Pre-K3, 12 p.m. dismissal; middle school athletics begin
- **August 27**: Pre-K3 12 p.m. dismissal
- **August 28**: Pre-K3 (this will be their first full day of classes)
- **September 2**: School closed in observance of Labor Day
- **September 18**: K-12 1 p.m. student dismissal, faculty in-service
- **September 30**: School closed in observance of Rosh Hashanah
- **October 9**: School closed in observance of Yom Kippur
- **October 14**: Columbus Day (No classes) Pre-K3-Grade 12 parent-teacher conferences
- **October 16**: K-12 1 p.m. student dismissal, faculty in-service
- **October 18-19**: PSAT/NMSQT testing grades 9-11/ACT Aspire (8)
- **October 18-19**: Fall Fair & Homecoming weekend
- **November 8**: Middle & upper school Veterans Day program, grandparents & parents welcome
- **November 11**: School closed in observance of Veterans Day (unless make-up day is needed)
- **November 27**: Lower school Grandparents & Special Friends Day, 12 p.m. Pre-K3-Grade 12 student dismissal
- **November 28-29**: School closed in observance of Thanksgiving Holiday
- **December 2**: No classes, faculty in-service
- **December 21-January 5**: School closed in observance of the winter holiday

**2020**

- **January 6**: No classes, faculty in-service (unless make-up day is needed)
- **January 7**: Classes resume
- **January 20**: School closed in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day
- **January 24**: Pre-K3-Grade 8 parent-teacher conferences, no classes; grades 9-12 in session
- **February 12**: Faculty in-service, 1 p.m. K-12 student dismissal
- **February 17**: School closed in observance of Presidents Day (unless make-up day is needed)
- **March 2-6**: School closed in observance of spring break
- **March 9**: No classes (unless make-up day is needed), faculty in-service
- **April 8**: 1 p.m. K-12 student dismissal, faculty in-service
- **April 10**: School closed in observance of Good Friday
- **April 13**: School closed in observance of Easter Monday (unless make-up day is needed)
- **April 24**: Pre-K3-Grade 5 parent-teacher conferences, no classes; grades 6-12 in session
- **May 13**: 1 p.m. K-12 student dismissal, faculty in-service
- **May 21**: Baccalaureate service, 5 p.m.
- **May 22**: 11 a.m. Pre-K3-Grade 12 student dismissal, Class of 2020 graduation at 4 p.m.
- **May 25**: School closed in observance of Memorial Day
- **June 3**: 11 a.m. Pre-K3-Grade 12 student dismissal
- **June 4-5**: Last attendance day for K-Grade 12 students
- **June 5**: Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 no classes, faculty in-service
- **June 5**: Last attendance day for faculty
- **July 3**: School closed in observance of Fourth of July holiday
- **July 31**: Last attendance day for Pre-K3 and Pre-K4 students
- **August 3-26**: No classes in observance of Pre-K summer break
Norfolk Collegiate develops critical thinkers, doers and explorers through innovative, engaging instruction in an inclusive and supportive learning community.