

April 1, 2021

Dear Parent,

I am writing to invite your child to attend Bridges, our new Upper School student summer workshop, and to invite you to attend a parent orientation meeting. We are delighted that you have chosen Brentwood Academy, and we want to help our new students succeed from the beginning. This workshop is developed to do that by introducing these students to new people, a new campus and several elements of the school's climate. Key strategies for summer reading, test preparation and general organization will be emphasized in an atmosphere that we are certain will be both helpful and fun.

Two sessions have been scheduled.

June 7-11 (8 AM – 2 PM on June 7-9; 8 AM – 10 AM, June 10 and 11)

July 19-23 (8 AM – 2 PM on July 19-21; 8AM – 10 AM, July 22 and 23)

Sessions will meet in Room 224 of the Upper School each of these days. Students are expected to dress in accordance with the BA dress code, and they should bring a notebook, pen/pencil, and summer reading books.

All Upper School students entering Brentwood Academy for the first time are expected to attend one of the sessions.

Parents are encouraged to attend one of the new parent orientation meetings. These meetings have been scheduled for June 7 and July 19 beginning at 8 AM in the Round Room of the library. They should last about an hour.

Each fall, students come to Brentwood Academy from a variety of backgrounds. For some, the transition is a smooth one, while others find themselves a bit challenged by their new surroundings and the expectations that we place on them. The purpose of this workshop is to help students “hit the ground running” in August. We believe that the benefits, both academic and cultural, will be well worth the time. Please email Kristin Vazquez, the Bridges coordinator, at kristin_vazquez@brentwoodacademy.com to let her know which session your child will attend, or if you have any questions. No response is necessary for the parent meetings; just join us if you are able. We look forward to seeing you this summer!

Sincerely,

Andy Bradshaw
Associate Head of School/Upper School Director

