



Dear GDS Community,

As we wrap up July 2020 and look ahead to school reopening in August, I hope everyone is staying safe and well.

With so many new plans in place to ensure that the school remains healthy, I know many are curious about what to expect from Gaston Day. That's why we are holding a **Town Hall Meeting** via Zoom on **Tuesday, August 4th from 7pm-8pm**. Division Heads, GDS Administrators, and I will discuss our plans for the fall and the top five changes you need to know about going into the new school year. A link to the meeting will be sent in an upcoming email.

We are most interested in your questions! We will have a Q & A portion of the meeting especially for YOU to ask anything that's on your mind about the new school year. To make sure we cover as much as possible, we would like you to submit your questions ahead of time. Please email our Director of Marketing & Communications at kpaxton-shaw@gastonday.org with your questions OR you can visit the [re-opening webpage](#) and submit a question through the link at the bottom of the webpage. We also will be accepting questions via the chat in the Zoom during the Town Hall. We may not be able to address every question during the Town Hall, but we will compile the most asked and post them on our re-opening webpage.

Our **Parent Education Series** continues this Thursday, July 30th, with a video from Dean of Students, Candyce Owens, and Athletic Director, Casey Field, about Student Life & Athletics. This video will cover topics that include staying connected and social/emotional health, GDS community events, clubs, athletics and virtual athletic teams.

Again, during evolving times, our commitment remains academic excellence. Thank you for your support and dedication, and we look forward to your questions.

Stay Spartan Strong.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Richard E. Rankin, Jr.' The signature is written in a cursive style.

Richard Rankin, Jr.
Anderson Davis Warlick Head of School