



Dear Middle School Families,

I am excited to begin this new school year with you!

Our school theme this year is Lead the Way, a wonderful theme for our middle school students. The middle school years are a time when students are discovering their voices, developing their character, and finding their own paths.

Leadership takes many forms. There is no single way to lead, and at Gaston Day School, students will have countless opportunities to develop and demonstrate leadership. Of course, one of the most powerful ways students learn about leadership is by watching the adults in their lives. Together, let's partner to model kindness, integrity, perseverance, and respect as your child navigates these important middle school years.

BACK-TO-SCHOOL INFORMATION

As we prepare for the start of school, please take a few minutes to review the Back-to-School Hub 26–27, which includes important information such as the Family Handbook, school calendar, summer reading, dress code information, supply lists, traffic information, Sparty's Dining, attendance procedures, and other helpful resources.

Please log in to OnCampus and review any new or updated forms. Please complete all required forms before the first day of school.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

- August 12 New Student Orientation
- August 12 Back-to-School BBQ, 11:30 a.m.
- August 13 First Day of School, Noon Dismissal
- August 19 Middle School Parent Night
- September 7 Labor Day (No School)
- October 2 Fall Break (No School)
- October 5 Professional Day (No School)

I look forward to meeting each of you soon. Throughout the year, you will receive a monthly newsletter from me with general middle school updates, important reminders, and key dates to add to your calendars. While I will highlight many upcoming events, please be sure to check the school calendar regularly for the most up-to-date information.

Please know that I am always happy to help and partner with your family. If you ever have questions or concerns, don't hesitate to reach out to me at juible@gastonday.org. Here's to a fantastic year ahead.

Let's go, Spartans!

Mrs. Jenny Uible
Middle School Coordinator and Dean of Students