

# George Washington Carver Center for Arts & Technology

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Dear Carver Center Grade 09 Families:

Welcome to the Carver Center community, Class of 2023! There are many exciting things happening this year and we are looking forward to you being a part of it.

**Grade 9 CarveRising Day** To support our students' successful transitions to Grade 9, we invite students to participate in CarveRising on Thursday, August 22. Students will become familiar with the new school building, faculty/staff, and expectations of high school. Students will learn essential skills needed for success at Carver Center and will have a jumpstart on preparation for the upcoming and future PSAT and SAT test administrations. Additional information is on the Carver Center website.

**Grade 9 Student Orientation Meeting** To support a successful transition to high school and to give new ninth grade students some extra time prior to the opening of school to find their way around the building, Carver Center will hold a variety of activities for students during the Parent Orientation on Thursday, August 29 at 6:00 p.m. in the Dining Hall. Student representatives will assist students as they begin to get to know Carver Center.

**Grade 9 Parent Orientation Meeting** For parents and guardians, there will be a Grade 9 Parent Orientation Meeting on Thursday, August 29 at 6:00 p.m. in the Carver Theatre. It is our hope that this meeting will provide a valuable opportunity for you to become familiar with what your student will experience throughout her/his time at Carver Center.

**Grade 9 Orientation Day** In support of our students' successful transitions to Grade 9, we invite students to participate in an Early Entry Day program on Friday, August 30. Students will participate in a wide variety of activities to become more familiar with their new school setting prior to the start of school. Students will review their class schedules, meet teachers and school counselors, meet their advisors, become familiar with the campus, and so much more. Additional information is on the Carver Center website.

**First Day of School** The first day of school for all students will be on Tuesday September 3, 2019. To further support our new students on their first day of school, the bell schedule will be modified for ninth grade students to allow some extra time in between classes and at dismissal time.

**Staying in touch with Carver Center** Visit the Carver Center Website: [carverhs.bcps.org](http://carverhs.bcps.org). Follow us on Twitter: @GWCCAT. Follow us on Instagram: GWCCAT. Follow us on YouTube: Carver Center. Sign up for the Carver Center electronic newsletter: The Mosaic at <https://tinyurl.com/hfe8db5>.

I hope that many of you will be able to take advantage of this opportunity to get to know Carver Center prior to the actual first day of school. Again, on behalf of the administrative team, faculty, and staff I welcome you and wish your students the very best in their high school careers.

Regards,  
Timothy Arrington  
Assistant Principal for Grade 9