

June 13, 2016

Dear New Day Families,

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to Avon Old Farms School. As the Dean of Students, I hope to be a 'go-to' person for your son next year.

The Admission Office has shared how excited they are about the incoming class, and the Academic Deans and I, along with the entire faculty, are anxious to begin working with you in September. Please know that if questions arise over the summer, you can always email me. If I cannot answer a question, I can certainly direct you to someone who can.

As you heard several times during the admissions process, Day Students are encouraged to be *Boarders without Beds*. Day students are welcome to attend breakfast every morning and are welcome to stay through study hall. Breakfast is served from 6:40-7:30 a.m. The routine which many day students adopt includes arriving to school at approximately 7:00 each morning and then dropping off some books, etc. in the Day Student Locker Room. The Day Student Locker room is located in the bottom floor of the Student Center directly across from the Game Room. Once here, day students often study in the Hawk's Nest or attend breakfast. Morning meeting begins at 7:45 and is the first mandatory commitment of the day. Students are required to sit with their advisor during morning meeting. From there, the day proceeds as you might expect with classes, lunch, afternoon classes, athletics, dinner, enrichment hour and then study hall. While certainly welcome, day students are not required to stay for dinner, enrichment hour or study hall.

Understanding that the Student Center is *home base* for most day students, it is recommended that day students bring a combination lock to school to secure their belongings. Books, school supplies and athletic attire (including cleats) can be stored in each student's locker throughout the day and overnight. Since we have 240 lockers in the Day Student Locker Room, day students are actually welcome to take two lockers.

During July and August, the Associate Headmaster and I will read through each new student's admission file to try and find the best fit for advisor, roommate, etc. If there is anything that you would like us to know or if questions arise between now and September, please know that you can contact me (email is best in the summer) at any time.

Until then, I wish you a healthy and enjoyable summer!

Sincerely,  
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