



HIGH SCHOOL OF ART AND DESIGN

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Dear Families of the High School of Art and Design,

It is my honor to serve as the interim acting Principal of the High School of Art and Design (A & D). My goal is to take the extraordinary talents of your children and help fine tune their abilities as they prepare for post-secondary and career pathways. The students at Art and Design are an exceptional group of young people, a group that has demonstrated a powerful awareness of their purpose and their ability to effect change through creativity.

I have always strived to take a school's vision and more deeply integrate it into my work. With your support, I would like to continue that trend at A & D. As a teacher and administrator at the High School for Environmental Studies over the last 11 years, I have developed new arts-centric programs that enhance student opportunities to integrate self-expression with meaningful environmental research. I intend to take this energy and enthusiasm for the arts to push forward and continue refining the program at A & D. My work as a special education teacher was focused on providing every student with the opportunity to demonstrate their learning and finding creative ways to accommodate a diverse range of learning needs. A large part of my educational philosophy is that much of what we do in the classroom must be supplemented by extracurricular programs and community partnerships that align to student interests and skills. These connections would also be impossible without the voice and partnership of our student's families.

This past school year at Art and Design has been one of academic growth and achievement, with significant gains made in student college readiness and continued greatness in student artistic creation. The 2019-2020 school year promises to be one of A & D's best yet.

The first date for students to report to school is September 5th. Classes commence promptly at 8:20 am and students are dismissed at 2:40 pm. Breakfast will be available from 7:30 to 8:15 in the cafeteria. In order to support you and your child we will also be offering parental engagement time every Tuesday after school from 2:40 pm to 3:55 pm. This will be an opportunity for you to meet with our teachers and Guidance Counselors. In addition to tutoring we offer a wide range of after school clubs and PSAL teams for the holistic development of students.

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As Ossie Davis was once quoted, “Any form of art is a form of power; it has impact, it can affect change. It can not only move us, it makes us move.” At A & D, we will continue to make moves that impress upon the social fabric of NYC and beyond! I look forward to working with each and every member of this community and using my experience to help drive a school culture of trust, creativity and innovation. Please reach out to me with any questions or concerns you have throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

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