

9th Grade Orientation - 2025/2026

Monday, August 25th (8:30 AM - 3:00 PM) **Individual time slots subject to change		Location
8:30 AM - 8:45 AM	Ninth graders <u>new</u> to Park and their assigned ninth grade buddies arrive for a meet and greet <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Get ID Card photos taken for new students only (in front of pond) 	<i>Davison Courtyard</i>
8:45 AM - 9:00 AM	Breakfast for all 9th-graders! (Bagels, juice, and fruit)	<i>Davison Courtyard</i>
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Class Meeting - Introductions and Ice-breakers Park Seniors, Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students), Elizabeth Fisk & Jay Golon (Class of 2029 Advisors)	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
9:45 AM - 10:15 AM	Info Meeting Traci Wright (Upper School Principal), Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students), and Dorrie Bright-Whitson (Registrar) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review information packets with lockers & combinations, schedules, maps, articles, tech instructions, phone policy, etc. 	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Navigating the building , led by Park Seniors (mailboxes, sign-in log, lockers, classrooms, people you may need to know, etc.)	<i>All around</i>
11:00 AM - 11:30 AM	Understanding Park - Philosophy and Culture Panel of Park Seniors and Faculty	<i>Blaustein Lecture Hall</i>
11:30 AM - 12:00 PM	What Would You Do? Seniors & 9th graders breakout groups	<i>US Classrooms</i>
12:00 PM - 12:45 PM	Lunch (Subway sandwiches)	<i>TBA</i>
12:45 PM - 3:00 PM	Outdoor Activities & Connections Emily Minter & seniors	<i>Challenge Course</i>

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Tuesday, August 26th (8:30 AM - 2:30 PM) **Individual time slots subject to change		Location
8:30 AM - 9:00 AM	Donuts for all 9th-graders!	<i>Davison Courtyard</i>
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Key People in the Upper School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traci Wright (Upper School Principal) • Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students) • Lauren Blum & Kate Davidson (US Admin Assts.) • Robin Lowe, Patrick Strine, Kara Hickock, Dan Lopez (Athletics) • Deborah Hull (Director of Arts) • Kara Ker, Tucker Snow and Edwin Gordon (Counselors) • Karyn Fisher & Rich Espey (US Learning Resource Dept.) • Hayes Davis & Assiatou Diallo (Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Dept.) • Sia Roberts & Owen Greer (Student Council President & Vice President) 	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
9:45 AM - 10:15 AM	Meeting Your Advisor Advisors	<i>Meyerhoff Theater → various locations</i>
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Team Scavenger Hunt Park Seniors	<i>All around</i>
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Supports & Strategies Liz Proctor, Karyn Fisher, Rich Espey, Kara Ker, Tucker Snow, Edwin Gordon	<i>Park Library, US Learning Resource Center, Counseling Suite</i>
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Tech & Internet Safety Tara Northcott (US Technology Coordinator)	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	X-block Simulation & Activities Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eat lunch with classmates (pizza provided) • Attend activities fair (Blaustein Gym) 	<i>Pick up pizza outside Blaustein Gym</i>
1:00 PM - 1:30 PM	Class Meeting Elizabeth Fisk & Jay Golon (Class of 2029 Advisors), Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students)	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
1:30 PM - 2:15 PM	Talk Sessions with Park Seniors Seniors	<i>US Classrooms</i>

2:15 PM - 2:30 PM	Closing Meeting & Review Opening Schedule Traci Wright (Principal), Elliott Huntsman(Dean of Students)	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	**Please join us for some Kona Ice in the front parking lot at the end of the day! (2:30-3:15)	

10th - 11th Grade Orientation - 2025/2026

Tuesday, August 26th (8:00 AM - 2:30 PM) <i>**Individual time slots subject to change</i>		Location
8:00 AM - 8:30 AM	Donuts for all new 10th-11th grade students and their buddies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Get ID Card photos taken for new students only (in front of pond) 	<i>Davison Courtyard</i>
8:40 AM - 9:00 AM	Welcome Meeting <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traci Wright (Upper School Principal) Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students) Dorrie Bright-Whitson (US Scheduler) Distribute information packets with lockers & combinations, schedules, maps, articles, tech instructions, etc.	<i>US Commons</i>
9:00 AM - 9:45 AM	Key People in the Upper School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traci Wright (Upper School Principal) Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students) Lauren Blum & Kate Davidson (US Admin Assts.) Robin Lowe, Patrick Strine, Kara Hickock, Dan Lopez (Athletics) Deborah Hull (Director of Arts) Kara Ker, Tucker Snow and Edwin Gordon (Counselors) Karyn Fisher & Rich Espey (US Learning Resource Dept.) Hayes Davis & Assiatou Diallo (Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion Dept) Sia Roberts & Owen Greer (Student Council President & Vice President) 	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
9:45 AM - 10:15 AM	Meeting Your Advisor Advisors	<i>Meyerhoff Theater → various locations</i>
10:15 AM - 11:00 AM	Navigating the building , led by Park Seniors (mailboxes, sign-in log, lockers, classrooms, people you may need to know, etc.)	<i>All around</i>
11:00 AM - 11:45 AM	Understanding Park - Philosophy and Culture John Cruz & Blair Northcott (Advisors to Class of 2027), Carlos Casilla-Nova & Nathalie Behrens (Advisors to Class of 2028), Elliott Huntsman (Dean of Students), Seniors	<i>TBA</i>
11:45 AM - 12:15 PM	Tech & Internet Safety Tara Northcott (US Technology Coordinator)	<i>Meyerhoff Theater</i>
12:15 PM - 1:00 PM	X-block Simulation & Activities Fair <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Eat lunch with classmates (pizza provided) Attend activities fair (Blaustein Gym) 	<i>Pick up pizza outside Blaustein Gym</i>

1:00 PM - 2:00 PM	Outdoor Activities & Connections Emily Minter & Seniors	<i>Challenge Course</i>
2:00 PM - 2:30 PM	Talk Sessions with Park Seniors Seniors	<i>US Classrooms</i>
2:30 PM - 3:15 PM	**Please join us for some Kona Ice in the front parking lot at the end of the day! (2:30-3:15)	