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Dear Families,

It is incredible that we are already well on our way into September and able to celebrate such an excellent weekend of weather for Labor Day. The summer has certainly flown by for the high school administration as we did our best to prepare for a successful school year. It is my desire to have open and positive lines of communication with the school community.

Reflecting on the first week of school, we have seen wonderful examples of student excellence, and also taken note of things we would have done differently in hindsight. As I review our priorities for the year, first and foremost is the safety of our students. We live in a challenging day and age, and unfortunately have to focus on things we may have never dreamed of in the past. The administration is meeting regularly with the Tilton Police Department to ensure open lines of communication and to secure our buildings during the day and after hours. We are currently assessing the various situations and discussing a variety of options to meet the needs of the students and welcome the public into the school, yet balance the necessity for safety. Unfortunately, there were some miscommunications and people were unable to access the school as they have been in the past. I apologize, and believe we have immediately rectified that situation.

To clarify, school begins at 7:25AM, as we have coordinated bus drop off with First Student at this time. That is when faculty is on duty to greet the students and provide coverage. Students should be able to enjoy about 15 minutes more of rest in the morning. Hot breakfast is served in coordination with the Middle School, 7:20-7:39AM. We have added the option of a cold breakfast for students arriving up until 8:00AM, known as Grab'N Go which may be taken to class. It is our intent to provide them with nutritional meals, while ensuring that they miss limited amount of class time.

This brings me to our second priority of emphasizing student achievement so that all of the students' needs are met at the level at which they are functioning. We want the best for each of them so that they may enter the workforce, world of higher education, or the Armed Forces well prepared as 21st Century citizens. In order to make academic growth, students need to be in class and accountable for attendance. We are adhering to the long-standing guidelines for hall passes which has really encouraged students to be in class.

There are so many exciting things happening here, and I acknowledge the potential for continued growth and increased excellence. We will work to pace ourselves as we address all of the needs of our students in the most proactive manner as possible. High school is a memorable time in their lives that passes SO quickly. We want to make each of the students' four years the best that they can be. Thank you for welcoming new administration and giving us the opportunity to work with your families-

Sincerely,

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Principal