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GREAT NECK SOUTH HIGH SCHOOL

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*“Our Orange and Blue
starts with an Extraordinary You”*

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Dear South High Community,

On Thursday, September 21, South High successfully hosted our back to school night. The energy demonstrated by faculty, staff, parents, and student helpers was positive and those in attendance were fortunate to be part of a great evening. Thank you to our South High community for your continued support towards all that we do. Thank you to our dedicated and caring faculty and staff for helping to make the evening a success.

South High has some very exciting activities planned in October. The month is highlighted by our celebration of Homecoming on Saturday, October 14. We will have our Pep Rally on Friday, October 13 in our East Gym at 2:00 p.m. On Saturday, October 14 there will be a variety of athletic contests scheduled. All of our teams will be facing crosstown rival North High for bragging rights. Please see the schedule below.

Girls Varsity Field Hockey vs. North High at 11:00 a.m.
Boys Varsity Soccer vs. North High at 12:00 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- October 3 & 4: Grades 9-11 Photo Day
 - Students will be taking their photos during their Social Studies classes. Please click on the following link to view the [Photo Day Schedule](#). The schedule is listed by period and Social Studies teacher for each date.
- October 10-13: Spirit Week
 - Please click on the following links to view the [GNS Lululemon Spirit Wear Store](#) and the [GNS Rebels School Store](#)
- October 13: Coffee House at 7:00 p.m. Please note this is a change in time from the printed calendar.

Please refer to our [South High Calendar](#) on the South High School website under the Calendars tab for more information about events going on at our school.

The first month of school at South High has been a successful and exciting one. The energy in the building is positive as we are all focused on enjoying a new school year. Please be reminded:

- Students must wear their ID cards upon arrival to the building and continue to wear them throughout the school day.
- During student drop-off in the morning, please remember to not pull around to the driver's side of vehicles that are stopped for the purpose of dropping off students. Please remain in line until you can proceed. There should be no passing of vehicles during student drop-off. It is important to maintain the safety of our students during the drop-off period.

- Please be reminded South High is a closed campus during the school day. Students are not permitted to leave for any reason unless a parent/guardian signs them out.
- If your child is going to be absent for any reason, please remember to contact our Attendance Office. This will allow us to correctly account for student attendance. Please be reminded if contact is not made with the Attendance Office, a parent/guardian may receive an automated message indicating their child may have cut a class.

We are looking forward to an exciting and fun-filled spirit week as we approach our homecoming celebration. Don't forget to join us on Saturday, October 14 as we face our crosstown rival North High. I wish everyone a peaceful and enjoyable weekend.

Sincerely,

Dr. Christopher Gitz
Principal