



Hill Regional Career High School  
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*Dr. Zakia Parrish, Principal*

July 20, 2018

Dear Career Parents/Guardians and Students,

I am honored to be entrusted with continuing to lead our school community for the upcoming 2017-2018 school year. Thank you for your continued support and contributions to the Career family! As we transition into a new school year, it is my desire that we continue to work together as partners in order to build a positive and productive school climate. In order to promote academic success, positive behavior and social growth for your child, we will depend on you to be actively involved in your child's education endeavors. Through high expectations, rigorous instruction, and character development, we can push our students to the next level. My primary concern will continue to be to make sure that your child and you feel safe at our school. If you ever have a concern about something or a question about a specific situation or procedure please do not hesitate contact the school. Communication is of great importance in any functioning relationship. We believe that ALL CHILDREN CAN LEARN and know that they perform better when their parent is actively involved in their school. **Therefore, I encourage you to join our School Planning & Management Team (SPMT), our Parent-Teacher-Student Organization (PTSO), volunteer at our school, contact your child's teacher regularly, engage in conversations with our school counselor about graduation progression and post-secondary opportunities and speak with your child regularly about their academic performance.**

Enclosed in this mailing is information about our mandatory orientation sessions, which will be held on **August 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm and August 28<sup>th</sup> at 1 pm for all students**. Prior to entering the school, ALL parents/guardians **MUST** attend a mandatory orientation session. Students will not be issued their schedule if their parent/guardian does not attend an NHPS orientation and complete emergency contact sheets here at Career or if there are outstanding obligations. If you attend an orientation at another NHPS school, please be sure to secure a signed attendance slip and submit it to our main office. A reminder to parents, guardians and students with obligations: all obligations have to be cleared **before** your schedule will be released. Please contact Ms. Love in the main office at 475-220-5000 if you have any questions.

**August 30, 2018 is the first day of school for all 9<sup>th</sup> grade students**. We will utilize this time to conduct screening assessments, finalize their schedules and help our new freshmen acclimate to the building. **On August 31, 2018, all students, grades 9-12, will report to school**. We will have full days of school on both days and will begin our A/B day rotation on September 4, 2018. Our staff will work to provide a smooth transition for students and families as we all embark on this exciting journey together.

Career has many accomplishments to be proud of and I look forward to working with you to extend that list. I thank you in advance for your support of our great school community!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Zakia D. Parrish".

Dr. Zakia D. Parrish, Principal  
Hill Regional Career High School

*Mrs. Mia Edmonds-Duff*  
Assistant Principal

*Mr. Stephen R. Ciarcia*  
Assistant Principal

*Preparing students to be thoughtful, productive and contributing members of their communities.*