Dear New Heathwood Hall Families,

On behalf of the Heathwood Parents Association, welcome to Heathwood Hall - home of the Highlanders! We are excited to have your family join our community and hope this letter finds you well and eagerly anticipating the 2022-2023 school year!

Beginning now and in the weeks leading up to the start of the school year, I will share a variety of ways to get connected with the Heathwood community and lots of helpful hints to make the kickoff to the school year as smooth as possible.

The Heathwood Parents Association (HPA) includes all current parents and is led by the Parent Engagement Coordinator and an Executive Team consisting of one parent volunteer from each division (EC/LS, MS, and US). Additionally, two parent volunteers from each grade level make up the rest of the committee who work together to support the primary goals of the HPA.

Our mission is to promote parent involvement in the life of the school by providing a multitude of volunteer opportunities throughout the year, as well as supporting the faculty and staff. In turn, this helps fulfill the School's stated mission and enhances the student experience.

HPA provides numerous opportunities for your family to be engaged in the life of the school and with fellow Heathwood parents. One way is through HPA sponsored events that take place throughout the year, all of which benefit from substantial volunteer support.

We invite you to get involved! Please <u>click here</u> to fill out a brief survey identifying volunteer opportunities you may be interested in receiving more information about. Throughout the year, the HPA will send more targeted emails with various opportunities to help with events, assist with Teacher Appreciation Week, provide teacher snacks, and many more tasks as needs arise.

Be sure to mark your calendars for the upcoming **Fall Uniform Resale** on August 15th and 16th from 9:00am - 3:00pm under the Smith Shirley Campus Center where you can shop for gently used uniforms and spirit gear.

Also save the date for our **New Parent Party**, August 24th at 6:30pm here on Heathwood's campus.

I look forward to meeting you and making this a wonderful year for our students, parents, teachers and staff. If you have ANY questions, please do not hesitate to ask!

Sincerely,

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