

Dear Newly Enrolled Highlanders,

We are busy preparing for the opening of school on Wednesday, August 17, and we cannot wait for you to arrive on campus!

This is the time of year when we begin thinking about course placements for our Upper School students. Therefore, each newly-enrolled student for grades 9-12 has the opportunity to select core academic and enrichment elective courses they will need to take to meet Heathwood's graduation requirements.

In order to help guide you in requesting courses, please see the following steps:

Step 1: Students and parents should familiarize themselves with graduation requirements and course descriptions in the [2022-2023 US Curriculum Guide](#).

Step 2: Students (with the help of their parents) should complete the following [Google Form](#) to make initial course selections.

Step 3: Students will also need to schedule a World Language placement test if the student would like to take level 2 or above in French, Latin or Spanish. Please use this [form](#) to schedule the test.

Step 4: Once the initial course selections have been submitted and the World Language placement test has been completed (if necessary), the Academic Committee will use the student's previous course placement, final report card, and standardized test scores to recommend placement in courses.

Step 5: Upper School Academic Dean, Lisa Norman will reach out to the student and parents to schedule a virtual or in-person meeting to review course placement and finalize the schedule requests.

Please let us know if you have any questions or concerns. If you are unable to attend any of the offered sessions, please contact Donnie Bain at dbain@heathwood.org.

Again, we look forward to welcoming you all to Heathwood in the coming months and please reach out with any questions.

Best,

Lisa Norman
Upper School Assistant Head/Academic Dean