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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome back and happy newschool year!

As we settle into the newschool year, I would like to remind you that tomorrow (**Thursday, September 19th**) at 6:30 PM we will be having our annual Back to School Night. Senior parents and guardians are invited to a special meeting on the college application process at 6:00PM in the school cafeteria. The evening will provide you with an opportunity to follow your daughter's Day 1 schedule, and meet with your daughter's teachers. Teachers will be giving important information about their courses that will help you learn about how you may assist in helping your daughter achieve academic success this year.

During our opening session on Thursday, we will also speak about a new active shooter protocol that we will be implementing in January of 2020. Since data is proving basic lockdowns to be highly ineffective, many schools across the country are adopting the ALICE protocol to replace traditional lockdowns. We now have five certified ALICE instructors on our faculty who will begin training our teachers and our staff in late October. Training includes an e-course, passing an online examination, and participating in live training scenarios conducted by our certified instructors. After the meeting on Thursday, additional information will be mailed home, and students will learn about the protocol at year meetings in January. Until then, we continue to conduct traditional lockdown drills.

Our school year got off to a wonderful start last week. We welcomed our Class of 2023 and many transfer students, including young women from our sister school Bishop Kearney, who now call Fontbonne their new home. Emphasizing our commitment to welcoming and accepting all, during our opening assembly, we introduced our year theme of **"Together We Are One"**. Stickers were made in our own Fab Lab for all our students to remind them of this core idea which is the basis of the Mission of the Sisters of St. Joseph.



I hope you will all join us in echoing this message to our students, and to also share this message with all the people in your lives that may be in need of love, reconciliation,

justice, and peace.

Best Regards,

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