



# Middlesex

**David J. Beare**  
*Head of School*

Dear Parents,

Although it is only August, we are getting excited about the opening of school and the coming academic year. I'm sure you are anticipating these things as well, and so you may want to start thinking about one of the highlights of the autumn at Middlesex: Parents' Weekend in October.

Parents' Weekend is an opportunity for your student to share her or his experience with you, and for you to understand more about the patterns and rhythms of daily life in and around the Circle. I hope you will be able to join us for [Parents' Weekend 2019](#) at Middlesex on Friday, October 25 and Saturday, October 26. We are in the process of finalizing the weekend agenda, but if you are traveling to campus from a distance, you can begin to make plans using our online list of [accommodations](#) in the greater Concord area.

During this weekend, you will have the opportunity to meet the teachers, coaches, friends, and parents of friends who are an important part of your student's experience here. We set up a variety of events to help facilitate those connections: the Friday class receptions, attended by classmates and faculty; the Friday evening dinner, with speakers and music; the class-specific presentations by our college counselors on Friday and Saturday; the shortened academic day on Saturday morning; and the athletic contests (and refreshments) on Saturday afternoon. Importantly, you will also have a meeting with your student's advisor during a mutually convenient time on Friday or Saturday. We intend for that meeting to further the partnership between school and home, and it is a great opportunity to share notes about how the school year is progressing.

After games on Saturday, your student will be free until Monday early evening, as we extend a long weekend to allow families (particularly those who have travelled long distances) to enjoy time together after campus events have concluded. The long weekend also gives our teachers, dorm parents, and coaches, who work with extraordinary commitment to the growth of our students, a chance to catch their breath.

It is a wonderful weekend, and I hope you are able to come. If circumstances make it impossible for you to make it, please rest assured that your student's advisor will be in touch throughout the first semester. If you are able to come, we would appreciate your online registration [here](#).

I look forward to seeing you in October!

Sincerely,

David J. Beare  
Head of School