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Dear High School Parents,

Welcome to The American International School • Vienna! As the High School Principal, I am very confident we have all the well-rounded educational opportunities necessary to continue your child's development. And as a parent of an AIS student, I am even more confident your child is in a nurturing, inclusive environment where all our students are truly supported.

In the High School, we offer several academic program options. All students work towards the AIS diploma, which is equivalent to an American high school diploma. The majority of our students additionally pursue the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma that is internationally recognized as a program of high academic merit. Our large activities and athletics program, our bustling performing arts opportunities and our ever-expanding community service program complete a great high school experience.

New students and families often have many questions about how to get started on their transition to AIS. Additional information can be found in the *High School* section of the AIS website, with most students focusing on our *High School Course Description*. Please know that upon your arrival at school you and your high school student will meet with their counselor to identify the program that will best serve them. Additionally, our IB coordinator meets with families as do I when appropriate. This individualized attention combined with our New Student Orientation makes for the best transition possible.

Please note the important orientation dates on the reverse of this letter. We hope you can plan your arrival in Vienna with these dates in mind to ensure the smoothest possible orientation and transition. New Student Orientation Day provides an excellent opportunity to learn more about our exciting programs, get to know our building, and meet other terrific AIS students.

On behalf of the High School faculty, I wish you the very best for a smooth transition to AIS.

Sincerely,

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## MONDAY, AUGUST 16

- *AIS New Student Orientation (PK-12)*

Time	Activity	Who	Where
9:00	High School New Student Orientation	High School students and their parents	Main Gate Entrance
11:00-1:00	BBQ Lunch*	Students, parents, and teachers	Sports Hall (next to Playground)

\*Depending on government-issued health restrictions

*Our counselors, student ambassadors, and administration have planned an orientation schedule that helps ease students' transition to AIS. We will answer parent questions and provide students with a chance to see their classrooms, locker, make some initial friends and generally feel comfortable at AIS. Please make every effort to attend these orientation days. Arriving to school without having attended orientation or planned a schedule can make transitions significantly more difficult for your child.*

## TUESDAY, AUGUST 17

- *First Day of School*

Time	Activity	Who	Where
8:20	Welcome assembly	All High School students	Mike Maloy Gym
3:15	Dismissal for all students (Grades 1-12)	All Grade 1-12 students	

*Bus Service Available for Grade 1-12 Students*