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To the Class of 2024 and their Parents / Guardians,

We would like to extend an enthusiastic **“WELCOME BACK”** for the 2021-22 school year as we continue our journey towards graduation day in June of 2024! As you are aware we are constantly planning, and adjusting our plans based on the latest COVID-19 guidance around re-opening schools. As those plans become more concrete our district will notify you, thank you for your patience and understanding as we try to make the best of education during a Global Pandemic.

Please join me in welcoming Mr. **Tom Verret** as the new Class of 2024 Assistant Principal. Mr. Verret is joining us from Mont Pleasant Middle School where he was a 6th grade Math teacher. Tom brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience with our cohort of students that will have a positive impact on the Class of 2024.

As the Class of 2024 enters its sophomore year (**five earned credits** is required to be an official 10th grader), students will find some similarities to their experience in SHS's 9th grade academy. Our 10th grade is organized around several **collaborative** teams who will spend the year **working together** to **improve student learning**. It is important to note that each student will be scheduled to take the Global History and Geography Regents exam and likely a science and/or Math Regents exam in June 2022.

Our school year begins on Wednesday September 1st at 5:00 pm with our 9th-10th Grade Orientation. An alternate date is Tuesday, August 31st at 10:00 am. You are welcome to attend either Orientation event, based on your availability. The 9th-10th Grade Orientation will begin in the Auditorium at Schenectady High School. At this event, you will have an opportunity to meet with staff members and take a tour of the building. This will provide the Class of 2024 with ample time to figure out where their classrooms, restrooms, lockers and other important areas are located.

Please mark your calendars with the following important dates:

- **New Student Orientation** (attend either date)
August 31, 2021 (10am-12) or September 1, 2021 (5pm-7)
- **Transition Days** (half-days) **September 9th and 10th 2021**
- **First Full Day of School**
September 13th 2021

If you have any questions or concerns do not hesitate to reach out to any member of our team:

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- **Guidance Office:** # 518-881-2044 (prompt #2)

We are anticipating a **fantastic** start of the school year with many changes that will have a positive impact on student achievement. Enjoy the last few weeks of summer and **get ready to continue our journey to graduation day on June 2024!**

Sincerely,

David Preston
Principal for the Class of 2024

Tom Verret
Assistant Principal Class of 2024