



We hope this letter finds you healthy and safe. It has been a busy summer here at Collegiate. You may recall that we were scheduled for several large renovation projects this summer. These projects began in March and will continue until late December. They include a new roof, drainage, and electrical updates, including a new emergency generator. Extensive work is being done on the promenade, which will allow us to have a dry west gymnasium and the full use of the east gymnasium (the “old gym”)! The pool was filled and capped with concrete, and that area will be used for storage. The ground floor hallway carpeting was removed, and new tile will be installed. New camera systems will be installed inside and outside of the building. A new safety portico, with an entrance to the main office and a pass-through window, is being installed for dropping off items. Finally, new exterior lighting will be installed around the building.

Changes are being made not only to our building but to our class schedule as well. For this school year, we are moving from our usual A-day /B-day schedule to a 4x4 block schedule. That means that you will have the same four classes every day for a semester — it will be like having all of your A-day classes first semester and all of your B-day classes second semester. For example, if you have geometry on your schedule for the fall semester, you will have that class every day, and the course will be completed in January. If you pass the course, you will earn one full credit. If you are taking a one-semester elective course for .5 credit (such as photo-digital imaging), you will complete that class in one quarter (nine weeks), attending the class every day. Because these electives last only nine weeks, you might complete one during first quarter then start a new one second quarter. **We will publish your 2020-2021 schedules in Infinite Campus soon — we are still working on electives and a few other things.**

There’s one certainty for the 2020-2021 school year: change. Our school has always handled change very well. We credit you, our student body, and our staff for your unwavering ability to adapt to change. We absolutely miss all of you and are saddened that we cannot be with you in person in *our school*. But you can be confident that whether you are a Collegiate Academy student or a VPA student, you will still be receiving a top-quality education by our top-quality teaching staff online. As always, we encourage you to contact a Dean or staff member with concerns or questions you may have. Please continue to review our website and our social media platforms for updates and FAQs. Remember, together can meet any challenge! Thank you for “Always Reaching Higher” — we wish you all a great and productive school year.