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Dear Summit Family,

Welcome back! We're thrilled to kick off the 2023-24 school year! In Summit's 27th school year, we remain committed to the same principles and values that have enabled our success since our founding...the qualities of an education reflected in our mission, the goals as embodied in our portrait of a graduate, and our Seven Virtues that form the foundation for our Summit family.

Our Mission: Summit's mission is to engage students in learning experiences that stimulate discovery, inspire excellence, and nurture a positive influence in an ever changing world. Our mission frames the experience we seek to foster for all students.

Portrait of a Summit Graduate: Guided by our mission, we seek to educate our students to be Strong in Character, Academically Prepared, and Engaged in Community

Seven Virtues: Our Seven Virtues form the foundation of our students' education. We start each day dedicating ourselves to live out these virtues: Honesty, Respect, Responsibility, Compassion, Self-Discipline, Perseverance, and Giving.

At Summit we have always held the belief that our educational goals are best accomplished in partnership with parents and families. The belief that we--teachers, school leaders, and parents-- all share responsibility for our students' success is distinctive to our Summit identity, and integral to our students' success. We value your partnership as parents, and appreciate your support.

Across classrooms and grade levels, this year we will seek to nurture and strengthen all aspects of our mission, with particular focus on inspiring excellence in our students' experiences at Summit. In partnership with our families, we seek to motivate, challenge, and support our students to rise to high standards of excellence in their learning--both academically and in character. We seek your support in fostering the habits and skills that will support their success as students at Summit and in the lives they lead beyond--such as promoting a sense of responsibility at school and at home, fostering important learning habits including reading outside of school and completion of assignments, and modeling and reinforcing our Seven Virtues.

Parent involvement is a cornerstone of our school, and we greatly appreciate your support in helping to keep that value strong in the education of our students.

We look forward to a successful year ahead!

**With gratitude,
Kurt**

Virtue of the Week:

Honesty

I will be honest
with
myself
and others.

Expansion Updates

This past Friday, we celebrated the ribbon cutting of Summit's new Fitness Center! The Fitness Center will be open to high school students and all faculty starting this month. We are deeply grateful for the generosity of the many Summit families and community supporters who stood behind our students in making the fitness center a reality!



Phase II High School Groundbreaking!

As a reminder, this Friday, August 25 at 9:00 AM we will be celebrating the groundbreaking for our phase II high school expansion. We invite all families to join us immediately following Roundup for the groundbreaking ceremony!

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Important Upcoming Dates

August 25: New High School Ground Breaking

August 27-September 2: 9th Grade Wyoming Trip

September 4: Labor Day No School For Students

September 15: Teacher Work day No School For Students

CBC AGAPE YOUTH

**After Hours
at the Rock**

GAMES - HOMEWORK HELP -
COMMUNITY- SNACKS

AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM

FREE FOR SUMMIT, HIGHLANDS, BLUE
RIDGE, RABUN GAP, AND HOME SCHOOL
STUDENTS GRADES 6-8

CBC OFFERING PICK-UP FROM SCHOOLS
AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM FROM 3-5
FOLLOWED BY YOUTH GROUP FROM 5-7:15
FREE DINNER PROVIDED

3645 CASHIERS RD, HIGHLANDS

WEDNESDAYS STARTING AUG 30TH

REGISTER HERE!

Summit Sports News



August 21: HS Soccer @ Murphy 4:30

August 24: HS Soccer @ Cherokee 4:30

August 28: HS Soccer @ Home VS Murphy 5:30

August 28: MS Soccer @ Home VS Blue Ridge 4:00

August 28: MS Volleyball @ Home VS Blue Ridge 4:00

