Dear Northside Parents,

Our freshman orientation program is designed to further acquaint your student with Northside and provide the initial information needed for a smooth transition to high school. It also serves as an opportunity to meet and interact with faculty and peers. The two-day program consists of an all-day retreat to the Irons Oaks on Thursday, August 22, 2019 and a general orientation on Friday, August 23, 2019 at Northside.

**On Friday, August 23, 2019, all freshmen will attend orientation at Northside from 8:30a.m. – 2:30 p.m.** During this time, students will meet with their advisory classmates and counselors. In addition, they will pay school fees, receive a copy of their schedule, pick-up textbooks, and sit for their yearbook/ID photo. Lunch will be provided for all students.

Students should bring the following:
- ✓ Completed Registration Packet (see online registration instructions)
- ✓ Pen
- ✓ A bag to carry books and Chromebook!

To access forms, go to [www.northsideprep.org](http://www.northsideprep.org) then Parents and Forms.

Additionally, in preparation for the first week of school, all freshman students are expected to view the movie *Gattaca* for their English class. The movie is available from Amazon Prime Video, Vudu, YouTube Movies, iTunes, and Google Play. Students will also have the option to attend a free screening of *Gattaca* immediately following the orientation program on August 23 at 2:45 p.m. The movie runs about 2 hours. This information is also posted on our school website. Go to Academics, Departments, and English.

**Finally, our freshman orientation program also includes a parent meeting scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, August 21 at 6:00p.m.**

We look forward to seeing your student at orientation.

Sincerely,

Marina Medina
Director of Counseling