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**MANDATORY Summer Bridge Orientation
School Year 2019 - 2020**

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

Congratulations! On behalf of the faculty and staff, I want to welcome you and your Scholar to the first Middle College High School in Philadelphia!

The incoming 9th grade Scholars will have the unique opportunity to graduate in four years with a high school diploma, a two-year Associate of Arts degree, up to two industry - recognized credentials or between 37-48 college credits. The Associate credits can also be used toward a 4-year college degree.

You are invited to attend a mandatory orientation meeting to be informed of important updated details about Parkway Center City Middle College (PCCMC) and the **MANDATORY** Summer Bridge Program. However, prior to the orientation, it is imperative that you fill out the online application for Summer Bridge in its entirety, print and sign the FERPA page and return it to PCCMC via email or fax by May 1st. After the online application is completed and the FERPA form is submitted, you will receive the course selection application. If the application is incomplete (including signature page), your child can not be admitted into Summer Bridge. Please follow the directions in the email from Ms. Nguyen that this letter was attached to in order to complete the application.

At the meeting, more information will be shared about the **MANDATORY** Summer Bridge program, which Scholars must attend from Tuesday, July 9th through Wednesday, August 7th from 8:30am-3:00pm. The purpose of Summer Bridge is to prepare Scholars for high school and college work before beginning 9th grade. It will take place at Parkway and at Community College of Philadelphia. The program will build and support the scholars' academic and "college knowledge" so that they will be successful. By attending and successfully completing Summer Bridge, scholars will get their first college credits before starting high school! Orientation will take place on:

Tuesday, May 14th, 2019 at 10:30am at Parkway Center City Middle College.

If you have any questions regarding the PCCMC Summer Bridge Orientation, please reach out to Ms. Ly Nguyen at LBNguyen@Philasd.org.

Sincerely,

Principal Anh Nguyen-Brown