South Brunswick High School

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Peter Varela, Principal

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As another summer comes to a close, I am excited to welcome you and your family to the 2026–2027 school year at South Brunswick High School. A new school year brings something special: an opportunity to set new goals, pursue new interests, and discover strengths we never knew we had. Whether your child is entering our doors for the first time or returning for another year as a Viking, we are excited to welcome them back.

Our first day of school is Thursday, September 3rd (Full A Day), and it marks the beginning of a new journey. I want every student to know that this can be the year they accomplish something they once thought was out of reach. For every student, that journey will look different, but it begins with the willingness to step outside their comfort zone, learn from mistakes, and keep moving forward.

Legendary basketball coach John Wooden once said, "Success is never final, failure is never fatal. It's courage that counts."

Courage is not reserved for life's biggest moments. It is found in asking for help, standing up for what is right, making a difficult but honest decision with integrity, or showing kindness when no one else is watching. Those are the moments that define character, and they are the moments that define what it means to be a SBHS Viking.

While academic success is important, the choices our students make every day matter just as much. At South Brunswick High School, we want students to be remembered not only for their accomplishments, but for the way they treated others and the example they set. Our Five Core Values of Honesty, Respect, Responsibility, Kindness, and Service are more than words. They are the foundation of our school community and should guide every decision our students make, both inside and outside the classroom.

As I begin my fifteenth year as principal, I remain grateful for the students, families, and staff who make South Brunswick High School such a remarkable place. Our teachers have spent the summer preparing engaging learning experiences and look forward to inspiring, supporting, and encouraging every student. Together, as families and educators, we can help our students believe in themselves, make good decisions, and reach new heights.

Thank you for your continued partnership and support. Let us continue inspiring our students to dream bigger, work harder, make thoughtful decisions, and lead with character every day. I look forward to welcoming everyone back for another outstanding school year.

Go Vikings!



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