

Friday, Aug. 3, 2018

Dear Parents and Bridges Prep family,

I hope you have enjoyed summer so far! Here at Bridges Prep we were making great progress on our new Upper School campus until mid-July, when the consistent and daily heavy rainfall started. I am writing to update you on our situation.

We will start all grades Aug. 20, but Upper School students will be at Greene Street again until our temporary modular classrooms and roads to the new campus are ready. We anticipate that to be in mid-



September. Again, all students in Grades 8, 9, 10 and 11 will report to the Greene Street facility for classes starting Aug.

The heavy rains – more than 10 inches during the week of July 15-22 and almost daily deluges since – created a muddy mess on our property. The mud made it impossible to prepare the land for paving, which we need to install along with the rest of our modular classrooms. We also must have the entrance paved so that emergency vehicles can access our site if needed.

Vice-Chair and Facilities Committee

Chair Marty Miley and I are in near-constant contact with the general contractor about the site conditions and progress. The fact is that losing about two weeks of construction time in July has led us to secure the Greene Street facility on a temporary basis.

Our administration is working with teachers to accommodate this last-minute change of plans. We are counting on everyone to make the most of this situation, and to believe that great things truly do come to those who wait. Our expectation is to move the Upper School to the new Port Royal campus by mid-September -- into the temporary modular classrooms -- and then within a year, have our new permanent facility built and ready to go.

We will keep you updated as we learn more, via email, Facebook and our newsletters. Again, thank you for your patience and we look forward to having all students return Aug. 20!

Sincerely,

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