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Dear Parents and Guardians:

We are aware that you have a variety of choices when choosing a high school for your child. We would like to remind you that your child has established him or herself as a McKinley student during his or her years at the middle school, and we would like to encourage continued enrollment at McKinley for High School.

McKinley offers a high-quality, liberal arts high school experience for your child. In 2017, we had a 100% graduation rate with our seniors earning over 3 million dollars in scholarship money for sixty-four graduates. Our students matriculate to colleges such as Princeton, New York University, Colgate, Morehouse College, West Point Military Academy, and Webster University, just to mention a few. One of our students was a National Merit Finalist this past year and earned a full ride to the college of her choice!

McKinley offers Early College Enrollment through Saint Louis Community College. Eight students enrolled in the inaugural year of this program last year and will graduate with both a high school diploma and a tuition-free associate’s degree this spring. Three more have joined this rigorous program this year. We also partner with Rankin and UMSL to offer early college credit. We were one of the first schools in the Saint Louis Community to offer the CodeRED coding curriculum and are building this to a full four-year program with students participating in the Global Hackathon at Chaifetz Arena this past year. The coding program will eventually build to senior internships in coding, as well. Last school year we implemented a four-year Career Technical Education Business track for students which would make students eligible for full certification in all Microsoft products and software upon graduation.

A host of AP courses are offered at McKinley: AP Calculus, AP Chemistry, AP English Literature, AP Biology, AP English Language, AP Psychology, AP Government, AP Environmental Science, and AP Art. Students in the higher level math classes may earn up to twelve college credit hours through UMSL.
Students can also enrich their academic experience through extracurricular activities and sports. Some activities include Debate Club, Chess Club, Science Olympiad, Musical, and many more. We offer High School Volleyball (girls), Soccer (boys & girls), Baseball (boys), Basketball (boys & girls), Tennis (boys & girls), Cross Country (boys & girls), Track (boys & girls), and Football through Roosevelt High School.

McKinley Classical Leadership Academy is a magnet school that can offer your child small class sizes, a diverse population, a focus on leadership, and challenging liberal arts academics. Please stop by our office to request an appointment to learn more about the benefits of staying at McKinley for high school.

Sincerely,
Stephen Warmack, Sr.
McKinley Principal