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Dear Sixth Grade Parent:

Ready or not, your children are growing up and will soon be embarking on their middle school experience. Don't worry, it is not as scary as it may seem even in this very unusual time that we currently live in. RDMS is eagerly anticipating their arrival and will help guide you through this exciting process and are altering some of our traditional welcoming events to try and have some in-person opportunities to meet everybody.

The first step in this exciting journey is reviewing the RDMS Virtual welcome packet, which will contain important information about the middle school curriculum and scheduling process, as well as a course selection form you will need to complete. This welcome packet will be emailed by the elementary schools the week of April 12th. The next step will be in-person visits the week of April 19th at each elementary school, conducted in small groups by class. Our counselors will be there to answer any questions as well as give the students a taste of what RDMS will be like.

As a part of the in-person visits, the counselors will collect the forms that were sent out with the presentation documents. We will be asking for two items in order to begin the scheduling process:

1. Would you like to take Spanish or French?
2. Would you like to participate in Band, Chorus or both Band and Chorus?

Additionally, we will be setting up a visitation schedule for small groups to take building tours during the summer and that information will be forthcoming as we get closer to the end of this school year. The tours will operate throughout the summer so everyone should be able to find a time that works best for them.

We are very much looking forward to meeting all the future RDMSers!

Sincerely,

Richard Freedman
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