

NEW TRIER TOWNSHIP HIGH SCHOOL DISTRICT 203



To commit minds to inquiry, hearts to compassion, and lives to the service of humanity.®

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Dear Students of the Class of 2024 and Parents,

On behalf of our entire staff, welcome to New Trier High School! The transition to high school is an exciting time for students and families. We look forward to working with you in the coming months to make that transition as smooth as possible.

This packet contains much of the information you will need as you finish your time in eighth grade and prepare for high school. We also have several evening events planned over the next few months to provide additional information and answer questions. Please look carefully at the *Countdown to New Trier* for specific dates.

New Trier High School's mission is "to commit minds to inquiry, hearts to compassion, and lives to the service of humanity." Our mission guides our thinking and programming. We want each of our students to grow socially, emotionally and intellectually, so they are prepared to lead meaningful, fulfilling, and influential lives after graduation.

At New Trier, we pride ourselves in providing unique opportunities that lead to positive student experiences. Though our school may be large, our teachers and staff truly know our students and are invested in their success.

Through programs like the adviser system and post-high school counseling and opportunities such as clubs (about 150!), athletics (35 sports), and performing arts, we truly have something for everyone. We also know students' success at New Trier will be directly proportionate to their investment in their own growth.

New Trier's reputation has been built over many decades by thousands of students and staff members, but its future reputation is in our hands. We are committed to working collaboratively to help each student grow, have a positive high school experience, and leave New Trier a better institution.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Paul M. Waechtler". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Paul M. Waechtler
Principal, Northfield Campus