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Welcome SoF Family!



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## Important Dates

9/8 - First Day of School -PA Welcome (SOF Roof Garden)

9/12 - Eid-al-Adha- School Closed

9/13 - Senior picture day <http://www.stompinggroundphoto.com>

9/13 - Middle School after school orientation (5:30-6:30pm)

9/14 - Picture day grades 6-11 <http://www.stompinggroundphoto.com>

9/19-23 - SOF book fair

9/19 - After School Program starts for middle school

9/20 - Back to School night

[SOF Calendar](#)

## PA Update

Welcome to School of the Future 2016!!! We are a wonderful community of students, teachers and families from Brooklyn, Manhattan, Queens and beyond who everyday bring the northwest corner of 22<sup>nd</sup> and Lexington to life.

It is the strength of our families that make SOF the school that it is, and we welcome your involvement. The PA is looking for volunteers to help with everything from the Book Fair to the Phonathon to the Spring Auction and more.

The Parent Association funds all sorts of activities, from drama and its two shows a year, to in-class SAT Prep as part of the 11th grade curriculum. We help fund class trips, sports uniforms, student scholarships, feeding the teachers during events like PT conferences, etc...

Parents are invited to drop by on the first day of school and join us for coffee on the roof to find out more about volunteer opportunities for this year.

We look forward to seeing you on September 8th!

## Some Opening Day information:

School times are as follows:

**Middle School: 8:20am - 3:10pm with lunch at 11:35am**

**High School: 8:35am - 3:10pm with lunch at 12:30 pm**

High School: 6:30am - 9:10pm with lunch at 12:30 pm.

**The building is open for students at 7:45 to receive free breakfast if you wish.**

6<sup>th</sup> grade parents are invited to spend the first hour of school with their child in the gym on the first day.

\*\*\*After School program starts September 19<sup>th</sup> for middle school at 3:10pm. The forms will be sent home the first day of school or you can download the forms from our website. Every student must fill out a form even if you are not going to participate in afterschool. SOF middle school sports teams are part of the after school program. During the year, the after school program holds special events like Knicks games, Great Adventure, Halloween and other parties. Your child will be able to take advantage of these great opportunities if they have paperwork on file.

All Middle School students should bring lunch or lunch money (\$ 1.50) or their lunch PIN numbers out lunch will not be available on the first day. 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be allowed to go for lunch on the second day provided they bring back their school forms signed.

Our Parents Association will be on hand in the lobby and on the gym floor greeting new parents and accepting donations of school supplies to the school. SOF can provide a Spanish and Chinese translator if a parent would like one. One note to new parents is that it may look chaotic on the first day, but please rest assured there is a method to the madness. After drop off, all parents are welcome to join the PA on the roof for coffee and bagels.

Metro cards are given out on the first day of school. Students will receive them from their advisor. Student lockers will be assigned on the second day. If a student wishes not to carry something heavy home they can leave it with their advisor or teacher.

Some exciting SCHOOL PHOTO news - we have switched school photo companies and are now using Stomping Ground. <http://www.stompinggroundphoto.com>. We searched for a company with beautiful photos and easy to use format. So no envelopes or forms this year! Just have your child show up photo ready (9/13 seniors, 9/14 6-11th grade) and you can order photos online after the shoot.

Finally, Family Conferences will be held AFTER Thanksgiving this year. **Back to school night September 20<sup>th</sup> at 5pm.** Please keep updated by checking out the school calendar at [www.sof.edu](http://www.sof.edu). You will also be receiving e-blasts from our parent in charge of communication. If you feel you do not receive e-mail updates please contact the Parent Association at [sofpacommunications@gmail.com](mailto:sofpacommunications@gmail.com) to have them take your contact info. If you have more questions you can contact our Family Coordinator Jaimee Rutman at [jrutman@sof.edu](mailto:jrutman@sof.edu).

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## 7th & 12th Grade - NEW IMMUNIZATION REQ

All 7th & 12th Grade students should receive a letter regarding the new immunization requirement. Check your mail or child's backpack next week, or see the link below for the Chancellor's letter:

<http://schools.nyc.gov/NR/rdonlyres/A30B2698-00D9-47BB-94BA-8ECF46D1CF84/0/MeningitisParentLetter.pdf>

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## High School Sports

Girls High School Varsity Volleyball Tryouts (for all non-returning players: grades 9-12), will be on 9/13 and 9/14 at 3:15 in the SOF gym.

All players must have the following forms in order to try out:

PSAL Parental Consent form:

[http://www.psal.org/PDF/Official/2012\\_PSALEnterscholasticAthleticsParentalConsentForm200812.pdf](http://www.psal.org/PDF/Official/2012_PSALEnterscholasticAthleticsParentalConsentForm200812.pdf)

PSAL Sports Physical Form (will last for ONE year)

[http://www.psal.org/PDF/Miscellaneous/2015\\_InterscholasticSportsExaminationform10-26-2015.pdf](http://www.psal.org/PDF/Miscellaneous/2015_InterscholasticSportsExaminationform10-26-2015.pdf)

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## MS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM

### Ed Alliance After School

Parents can also choose to download the packet and submit it as a pdf via email to Amanda & Iman to [bgcsof@edalliance.org](mailto:bgcsof@edalliance.org).

*Link to Enrollment Packet:*

<https://www.sof.edu/core/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/2016-2017-SOF-After-School-Enrollment-Packet.pdf?d0b136>

### **Family Orientation**

Orientation is a time for parents to learn more about the procedures, structure, expectations and vision of program. Amanda and Iman will provide a comprehensive overview of program and allow time for questions.

**When:** Tuesday, 9/13, 5:30-6:30pm

**Where:** SOF Auditorium

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*Program Coordinator*

**Educational Alliance Boys & Girls Club**

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