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Greetings from Columbia Academy,

- [Por favor haga clic aquí para leer esta carta en español.](#)
- [Fadlan halkan ku dhufo si aad u akhrido wargaddan oo af-Soomaali ah](#)
- [Click here to translate this letter into other languages.](#)

We are excited to have your child join us at Columbia Academy for the upcoming school year! Our first job is to make sure your child knows Columbia Academy is a community of learners where all belong. Making sure your child is ready for the first day of school is an important step we can take together to help your child get off to a great start.

With the start of school just a month away, here is some important back to school information for you.

Columbia Academy Open House: Tuesday, August 30th 4:00 – 6:30 p.m.

Join us at Open House and meet your child's advisor and more:

- Collect your child's schedule
- Locate your child's classrooms and locker
- Get assistance in completing required school forms

First day of school: Tuesday, September 6th 8:20 a.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Our first day of school will include orientation for our 6th graders as well as a welcome back for our 7th and 8th graders. Our first day is always an important time to build a sense of community where all belong.

Purchase your child's required School Uniform online at [Rapit Printing](#).

Columbia Academy is a uniform school. Students are required to be in uniform to attend classes. Uniforms help us build a sense of belonging to the same team and show the importance of education in the lives of our students.

- Please be sure your child is ready for school by ordering their uniform shirts [online](#). Navy or khaki colored pants can be purchased at Walmart, Target, or Savers.
- Uniform orders will be delivered to school or can be picked up at [Rapit Printing](#).

Purchase your child's required Case It online also at [Rapit Printing](#).

Case Its protect the computer your child will be issued to use throughout the school year as they transport it inside and outside of school.

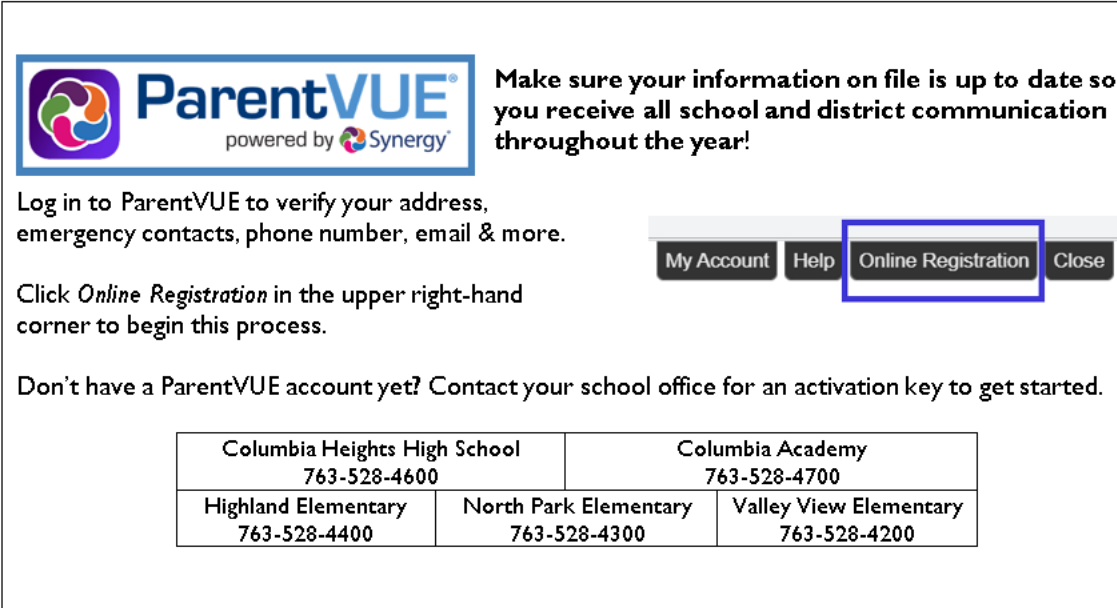
- Case Its will include paper, a pencil pouch, and the Columbia Academy school planner.
- Case Its will be handed out on the first day of school.

Sign your child up for Fall Athletics and Activities on the District Website. [Register here.](#)

- 6th – 8th Graders: Football, Girls Volleyball, and Soccer
- 7th – 8th Graders: Girls Tennis, Girls Swimming and Dive, Adapted Soccer
- 6th – 8th Graders: Robotics
- All students will have the opportunity to sign up for many other activities once school begins.

Make sure we have your correct contact information on [ParentVue](#).

ParentVue is our database for important information including your correct phone number and email address as well as your emergency contact information. Make sure you check to see that our information in ParentVue is correct by logging into your ParentVue account and clicking on Registration. (See the picture below for more information.) If you do not, have a ParentVue account, please reach out to Sarah Durst at dursts@colheights.k12.mn.us. It is very important that all parents have a ParentVue account so we can communicate well with you.



ParentVUE
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Make sure your information on file is up to date so you receive all school and district communication throughout the year!

Log in to ParentVUE to verify your address, emergency contacts, phone number, email & more.

Click *Online Registration* in the upper right-hand corner to begin this process.

Don't have a ParentVUE account yet? Contact your school office for an activation key to get started.

Columbia Heights High School 763-528-4600	Columbia Academy 763-528-4700	
Highland Elementary 763-528-4400	North Park Elementary 763-528-4300	Valley View Elementary 763-528-4200

Complete the following important forms.

- Parents must complete the [Technology Use Agreement Form](#) each year before their child can be issued their computer.
- We ask that all parents complete the Educational Benefits form on our [Food Service website page](#). This form is required for free and reduced-price lunch but is also necessary for our school district to qualify for additional educational services that benefit all students. Filling out this form helps us provide educational opportunities to all of our students!

Thank you for being part of our Columbia Academy community! We look forward to meeting you at Open House and helping your child get off to a great start. Please be in touch with any questions.

All the best from Columbia Academy,



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