

Dear Parents of New Ninth Graders,

Welcome to Harvard-Westlake! One of the many summer offerings sponsored by Harvard-Westlake is Fast Start 9, a five-day program designed to acquaint new ninth graders with other new members of their class, some of their prospective teachers, and the Middle School campus. Members of the Harvard-Westlake faculty have developed three introductory units to give new students a “fast start” in ninth grade English, library research skills, and science. The lessons are informative, full of study skill tips, and plenty of fun.

This year Fast Start 9 will run from MONDAY, AUGUST 15 through FRIDAY, AUGUST 19, from 9:00 AM until noon each day. The cost for the week is \$225 and includes a light snack during the morning break and all necessary materials and supplies.

As is the case with all of our summer activities, Fast Start is entirely optional. Do not submit payment for the program at this time as participating families will be billed through the school’s business office.

To register for the Fast Start program, when registration begins on April 11th, please click on the “Register For Fast Start Link” and acknowledge the “Are you sure?” confirmation. Please do not submit payment for the program at this time as participating families will be billed through the school’s business office.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Andrew Brabbée at abrabbee@hw.com or Regan Galvan at rgalvan@hw.com. We look forward to meeting you soon.

Sincerely,

Andrew Brabbée
World Languages Teacher
Fast Start Co-coordinator

Regan Galvan
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NB: On Friday, August 19, new ninth graders are required to attend orientation which is mandatory for all new students whether they attend Fast Start or not.