

Sturgis Charter Public School



An International Baccalaureate Diploma School

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Dear Sturgis Students and Parents,

The time has come for the 2009-10 school year! We are looking forward to welcoming our new and returning students to Sturgis for the upcoming year. Our recent graduates from the Class of 2009 were quite successful with their International Baccalaureate exams, college admission, and financial aid, and we expect similar or even stronger results from our graduates in 2010 and beyond. We believe that the IB helps our students develop the habits of the mind to be successful in life and that the IB is the best university preparation program available. We strongly encourage you to attend Sturgis Convocation and Strawberry Social on August 31 in Tilden Auditorium at Cape Cod Community College to hear more about the coming year.

At the forefront of our thinking as we develop our curriculum and student activities is our fundamental purpose: student learning is why we are here. We strive to help all students maximize their individual student potential not only in knowledge and skills but also in habits, attitudes, and values. It is our goal that each student is continually challenged to learn not only in our classrooms but also through the help and support of our faculty beyond the classroom. We feel fortunate to have many highly capable faculty returning to Sturgis for the 2009-10 school year. In addition, we also were able to recruit several outstanding new faculty who no doubt will be significant contributors to the program.

We encourage all of our students to get involved in the life of the school beyond the classroom. A Sturgis education is enhanced a great deal when students participate in activities, sports, and service opportunities. We will have a wide variety of activities this year, including student government, Model United Nations, jazz band, student newspaper, mock trial, and others. We also congratulate Athletic Director Jim Barrasso on the quality of and the participation in our athletic program. In addition, our involvement in the IB contributes to the commitment that our students already demonstrate in the area of community service.

Our students find that Sturgis Charter Public School is a very special place with a dynamic, caring, and outstanding faculty, a world class curriculum in the IB, a vibrant student body that is highly motivated yet caring for one another, and a very supportive parent community. All of these aspects come together to help us create a school culture that will have a great impact on the lives of our students.

We look forward to sharing with you a very productive and challenging school year. Please do not hesitate in contacting us at any time if we can be of assistance.

Sincerely,

Eric Hieser
Executive Director