

Bronx Lighthouse Charter School



Upper Academy Principal's Welcome Letter

September 1, 2011

Dear Parents and Guardians,

School is off to a good start so I would like to take this time to welcome you to the 2011-2012 school year. We have a lot to accomplish and I invite you to partner with us. The three key themes for this year are choice, hard work and organization.

Bronx Lighthouse Charter School is a choice school. If your scholar is here that means you support our rules and policies. This week, teachers will be rolling out what it means to be a scholar. When your child comes home, please ask what are the rules and expectations of BLCS. Please also look for newsletters detailing class expectations.

We have a tough road ahead. According to our NYS scores, less than half of our students are proficient in reading. We need to increase the rigor or pace at which students learn. Your scholars will be asked to write, read, question and think more. Homework is a must and an expectation. Classwork completion is required.

The supply list was sent home and many parents question why so many resources are needed. The most effective student is organized, skilled in note taking and studying. All required materials will be used to help scholars be and stay organized during and after class. Students must come to school prepared to learn every single day without exception or excuses.

Together, we can make the difference and ensure success!

Mathias Guishard
Upper Academy Principal

Shine On!

The following announcements will be included in this packet:

EMERGENCY CONTACT FORMS (see attachment)

Please complete the Emergency Contact Form and give it to the Main Office.

Upper Academy students can bring single packaged healthy snacks to school.

REQUIRED SCHOOL SUPPLIES (see attachment)

Students must bring to school the basic supplies on the attached list.

All uniform shirts must have the required logo by September 28th. After that scholars will be suspended from school. Patches are NOT acceptable.