



Welcome to the CSA Family,

We are very excited to welcome your student to our learning community this Fall, and are eager to get to know each of you in the weeks upcoming! Our primary form of contact will be email, so please let us know if there are additional/alternative email addresses that we should add to our listserve. What follows are some important dates, resources, and reminders for incoming students. If you have any questions leading up to the school year, please feel free to reach out to Molly Waterman directly at molly.waterman@cityschoolofthearts.org.

Address

CSA will be permanently located at 26 Broadway, New York, NY, 10004 in the Financial District of Lower Manhattan. Our new building is conveniently near the 4/5 (Bowling Green) 1/R (Rector Street), 2/3 (Wall Street) and J/Z (Broad Street) train stations, as well as a variety of bus routes.



Orientation & Start Date

New Family Orientation will take place in small groups facilitated by your students' homeroom advisor (semi-circle leaders) on August 21st, 22nd, and 23rd, depending on what class they are in. The meeting will run from 6:00–8:00pm, and will allow you to meet your students' teachers, review the handbook and policies, and meet other families in your students grade, class, and semi-circle. You will receive more detailed information regarding that meeting from your teachers directly in early August.

Sixth Grade Student Orientation will begin at 8:30am on Thursday, August 30th, and run through Tuesday, September 4th. Thursday, Friday, and Tuesday (8/30, 8/31, & 9/4) will offer 6th Graders an opportunity to ease into the transition to middle school; 7th and 8th Grade students will start on Wednesday, September 5th.



2018–2019 Calendar

Our [monthly calendar](#) can be found on the school website (cityschoolofthearts.org) by selecting “Community Calendar” under “Families” on the navigation bar. Our [family calendar](#) can be found on the same page below the monthly calendar.

Dress Code & Uniform

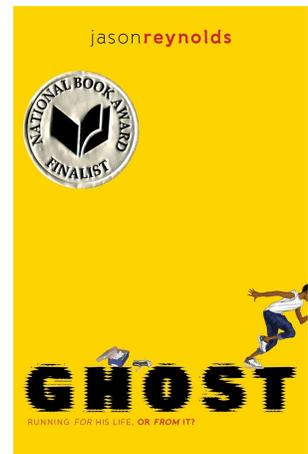
Please review our [dress code policy](#), and begin ordering uniforms through [our vendor](#).

Registration

If you have not completed your registration on SchoolMint, please do so immediately, and feel free to reach out to Molly Waterman if you have any questions at all. Drew McCann (drew@cityschoolofthearts.org) and Jesse Blumberg (jesse@cityschoolofthearts.org) will also be available to assist with registration.

CSA Community Reads

Starting this Summer, and in every trimester thereafter, we will encourage everyone in the CSA community to read the same book. It is our hope that having shared texts, fiction and non-fiction across many genres, will bring our community together and spark interesting, fruitful conversation. This Summer, we invite every student, parent, staff member, and board trustee to read [Ghost by Jason Reynolds](#). *Ghost* is a story about Castle “Ghost” Cranshaw, a 12-year-old boy with a difficult past who is invited to join an elite track team after crashing their practice. With the help of Coach, Ghost learns a few life lessons in determination and endurance. We are excited to come back next Fall to reflect on the lessons of *Ghost* as we transition as a community into Year 3 together!



I am looking forward to meeting all of you in person soon! We hope to see all of you at our End of Year BBQ on Wednesday, June 27th from 3–6pm at 440 W 53rd Street: P.S. 111 School Yard.

Warm regards,

Jamie Davidson
Principal