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**QUEEN
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SCHOOL**

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Dear Queen Anne students and parents,

Summer is an ideal time for students and teachers to reflect on the year past, to bask with pleasure in the light of goals achieved, and to critically evaluate the disappointments. With the publication of the enclosed report cards both on paper and on the web site, we close the record on the 2008-2009 school year. Our students moved one step closer toward college when they symbolically moved forward in their seats in St. Barnabas' Church after Senior Chapel in May. We send the class of 2009 off with pride to their exciting new schools and studies.

The past year presents an excellent record of student achievements, championship games, faculty and community growth that in our various assemblies and publications have added to the institutional history of our school. Working together we established new, effective standards in the learning community and in the community of human relationships. We offer thanks to you and the leaders in our community for the excellent quality and quantity of our volunteer programs, a cornerstone to our unique school culture. We have grown as people and as a school. Most notably we have become more student-centered by establishing new opportunities for leadership, involvement, and growth in the process of our school community. The building success of the Queen Anne School Parents' Association (QASPA) in volunteer service and increased participation in Annual Drive added to the positive support for our programs. The rising seniors of the Class of 2010, the new SGA, our exciting new school program design, and our welcome to returning and new faculty members promise school growth centered on student participation, leadership with integrity, and a deep commitment to unselfish service to others.

In the face of extreme global financial pressures, Queen Anne School leads regional schools in innovative programs, community inclusion, and academic rigor. By the dynamic design of our partnership with families, our students learn to lead – first each other, then the broader community of college and career – and to create new, productive solutions to emerging problems. Your involvement and commitment in setting new goals for 2009-2010 at Queen Anne are the first step. With the energetic leadership of the Class of 2010 and our talented new administrative and faculty leadership, we look forward to next fall when we open with a focus on expanding our athletic and art programs, further developing our initiative in building integrity and pride within our students, and challenging our teachers to sustain their educational leadership in using student activities and technology to enhance learning.

Please demonstrate your own commitment to your child by participating actively in the growing activities of the school, the Parents Association, and other committees of the Board. Commit to enjoying the relaxation of summer break and the reflective time with your child. Share in the process of making new goals, creating new dreams of growth, and enjoying the freedoms the summer months provide.

Very truly yours,

J. Temple Blackwood
Headmaster