Dear Parents and Students:

The Mathematics Department would like to take this opportunity to welcome our students back to school and into our math classrooms. We would also like to take this opportunity to share information with you that is extremely important to your child's high school mathematics success!

The High School offers three programs/courses of study that provide students with the courses they need to meet their graduation requirements in math. These **courses of study** are:

- 1. Applied Courses
- 2. Academic Courses
- 3. Accelerated/Honors Courses

In order for each student to stay on track while working towards their mathematics requirements, it is **critical** that he/she take their math courses in the **correct sequence** and with **proper foundation**. A **detailed flow chart of course sequence** and **prerequisite grades requirements can be seen on the back of this letter**.

Your son/daughter is currently taking Programming I with Mr. Smoyer.

Students should have completed or be taking **Algebra A/B or Algebra 1** (**concurrent**) in order to meet the prerequisites of Programming. Any student who failed to meet this requirement coming into the course will be at a disadvantage. The prerequisite process is in place to help guide students to the proper course selection so they have the required skills to be successful in the course sequence.

Please feel free to contact your child's classroom teacher, Mr. Jeremy Smoyer (smoyer@nwlehighsd.org) or the Mathematics Department Chairperson, Mrs. Kelly Bleam (bleamk@nwlehighsd.org) with questions or concerns regarding your child's course of study.

Have a great School Year! Northwestern Lehigh High School Mathematics Department