



Phillips Academy
ANDOVER

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Dear Parents and Guardians,

Congratulations on your child's acceptance and welcome to the Phillips Academy community! You have every reason to be incredibly proud—your child stood out among thousands of exceptional students representing *youth from every quarter*.

The Andover experience is distinctive in ways that you have already discovered. I hope that this discovery is just the beginning of a long and rewarding journey. As a new head of school this year, I continue to be inspired by the ideals that drew me to Andover. These are the same principles that place Andover among the best in secondary education, anywhere in the world.

First, excellence stands at the heart of Andover—outstanding faculty and a curriculum that is broad, rigorous, and always evolving. Second, our core values—*non sibi* (not for self), *knowledge and goodness*—challenge us to make a difference in the world. Third, Andover is in extraordinary shape, with a bright future ahead. During these unprecedented times, we have taken the challenges thrust upon us to create a stronger and more supportive and vibrant school.

Finally, it is our multitalented and diverse students, including every child in this newly admitted class, who excite me most about the future of Andover.

Preserving access to an Andover education remains among our highest priorities. In addition to setting tuition for 2021–2022, the Board of Trustees recently approved a generous financial aid budget that preserves need-blind admission. Tuition for boarding students (\$61,950) and day students (\$48,020) also includes all mandatory fees.

As you may know, tuition covers only part of the actual cost to educate an Andover student. In fact, that cost will exceed \$85,000 next year. Gifts from alumni and parents, as well as income from the endowment, make up the difference, allowing us to keep tuition and financial aid at the most competitive levels.

We look forward to answering your questions and ensuring you have all the information you need during this exciting time. We typically host Spring Visits to engage families on campus; however, the pandemic has caused us to innovate. Please watch your email for details on our plans for virtual admissions and enrollment programming and other opportunities to engage with faculty, students, and alumni.

On behalf of the trustees and campus community, welcome to The Big Blue! I hope you will decide that Andover is the right school for your child and for your family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Raynard S. Kington".

Raynard S. Kington, MD, PhD, P'24
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