Dear Students and Families,

It is with great joy and excitement that I welcome the Graduating Classes of 2018, 2019, 2020, and 2021 to the 2017-2018 School Year at AMS II! This year I want us to continue our work together as a community to maintain our goals for attendance, credit accumulation, and college and career readiness benchmarks. At AMS II, we will push all of our students to be the best that they can be! We strongly believe that EVERY student has a place within our school community, and we will remain committed to developing a plan for every student to successfully transition to their post-secondary paths of college and careers.

Our first two graduating classes have paved the way toward ensuring that all students not only graduate, but also have a plan for post graduation. As we continue to refine and enhance our work, it is important that all of our students aim to meet the College and Career Readiness (CCR) benchmarks as identified by the City University of New York; this will enable students to directly start college with credit bearing courses. It is my promise that all members of the AMS II Community will continue to push the students in their daily lives (inside and outside of the classroom) to meet our goals and to go beyond what they think is possible while developing their RICHER values.

As we continue our journey together, I ask that each member of the AMS II community read and reflect upon the mission and core values of our school.

**Mission Statement**
The mission of the New Visions Charter High School for Advanced Math and Science II is to prepare our students to become successful members of the global community. Through an integrated, challenge-based curriculum, which includes local and global community-based projects, we seek to cultivate global citizens who have the tools necessary to compete within our global society. We believe that such “hands-on-minds-on” learning experiences are critical to student engagement and essential to the process of preparing students to become college and career ready.

We are also committed to the personal, social and emotional well-being of our students and seek to provide a caring and supportive learning environment that facilitates student growth. It is our goal to provide the necessary support to all of our students so that they are successful learners, responsible citizens and productive members of our global community.

**Core Values**
The 6 RICHER Core Values of AMS II will help our scholars become better citizens and to lead richer lives. **Respect, Integrity, Commitment, Honor, Excellence, and Responsibility**

We have enclosed a packet of helpful information for AMS II families and scholars regarding Summer Bridge, the First Day of School, a General Supply List, and the monthly calendars of September & October. Please review this information with your child and mark your calendars with the important dates listed. You will also find the Emergency Blue Card that must be filled out and returned to Ms. Mattey or Ms. Medina in room 128 on the first day of school. We look forward to a very successful 2017-18 school year and seeing you at our Family Dinners at the end of September-See the Invitation Attached!! Enjoy the last few days of summer!!

Sincerely,

Sandy Manessis
Principal of AMS II