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**[External E-Mail] The Hyde Weekly #7: Thanks for a fantastic Fall Family Weekend!**

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# The Hyde Weekly

*This is an informal e-communication from the Hyde School campus, intended to share highlights, signs of growth, issues that are being addressed, and moments of joy. Its purpose is to bring the Hyde School parents and the larger community into the school culture.*

## We are Family!

*This past weekend, Hyde welcomed our parents to the Fall Family Weekend where our theme was "Principles over Rules." From the start, the atmosphere was full of energy where we experienced:*

- Academic class meetings
- Parent workshops
- College presentations
- Community meetings
- Family seminars
- Athletic contests
- Mom and Dad dancing to Motown
- Student show
- A student art show in town
- Alumni parents (HAPAs) coming back to help out

• *NUMEROUS PARENTS (MOTHERS) COMING BACK TO HELP OUT*

*It was a powerful weekend and so inspirational to see families listening and learning from each other. Students go to schools, but families go to Hyde.*

*I wrapped up the weekend talking about how my own learning about principles came from my step-father. While I did not always appreciate his discipline and approach when I was a teenager, I came to not only respect principles, but used them as a foundation for my own. The following is part of a letter I wrote to him on his 70th birthday:*

*Dear Dad,*

*Happy Birthday. We are here to celebrate your 70th and to share all that you have meant to us. It is hard to know where to begin. I will start with what you have taught me.*

- *"No such word as can't"*
- *How to change a tire.*
- *How to plaster a shower.*
- *How to clean out a septic tank.*
- *How to do lawn work.*
- *How to polish silverware.*
- *How to answer phones.*
- *How to travel.*
- *How to arrive 10 minutes early.*

*You also taught me deeper things. You taught me to be a person of integrity, with the large and small things in life. You taught me to work hard for my dreams and you taught me the value of standing against the crowd when you have to. You taught me that change must be embraced constantly.*

*You made a commitment to raise us as your own, and my life would not be the same without that. Mom gave you permission to be our parent, and it took a while to understand that. You also embraced Hyde and grew along with us.*

*We did not always have harmony, but we did strive for truth, and the love I feel for you today is a result of the commitment you made to our growth. Enjoy this birthday and many more to come. Your legacy will be passed through us.*

*Love, Laura*

*Onward,*



*Laura D. Gauld*

Laura D. Gauld  
President & Head of School

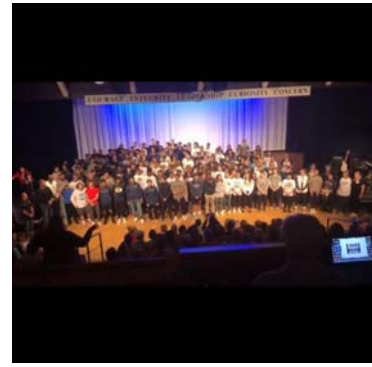
## Fall Family Weekend Slideshow



[View the FFW Photo Gallery](#)

## Fall Family Weekend PA Show

Watch highlight clips from the PA Show on Hyde Instagram!



## Alumni Feature: Omar Harris '14



Last week we caught up with Omar Harris '14 from Queens, NY. Omar just graduated college and we are fortunate enough to have him back on Campus working as an intern in the Deans Area. We're so excited to see where this internship catapults you Omar, keep up the great work!

**Describe your career path:**

"I plan on working in the marketing field as a creative director for professional sports team."

**Which word or principle has stayed with you the most?**

"Conscience. The meaning of that word stuck with me after graduating from Hyde, in the sense of being honest with myself. I've learned to practice staying true to my values and self-worth."

**Which teacher(s) had a particular impact?**

"I have the most respect for **Paul Hurd**. I was a stubborn student. Paul made me respect him because he was brutally honest with what he saw in me, the good and the bad."

**What advice might you give to a Hyde student?**

"Do you have morals and values that you live by? Take the same energy you put into *your* values and morals and apply it to *Hyde's* ethics and principles."

## Alumni Development Update



**Tom Bragg '83 wants your help!**

Each year the Annual Fund provides approximately 8% of the operating budget, providing funding where it is needed most and making an impact today on the students at Hyde.

**The Hyde athletic program needs your support!**

Watch the Video



**Please, join fellow Hyde community members in making Hyde Stronger!**

If you have already given to the Hyde Strong Annual Fund this year we are extremely appreciative of your support!

**Give Today**

**Thank you!**

## Not to Miss

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- [Gallery: 2018 Fall Family Weekend](#)
- [Gallery: Campus Candid](#)s
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- [Gallery: JV Boys Soccer](#)
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- [Joey G's Character Education Blog: How Happy Are You?](#)
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