





Tonight's Agenda

- Welcome Thank you Guidance Department, Mrs. Phillips, Technology Department, & Mrs. Walch (School Nurse)
- Introduction of staff and the middle school.
- Teacher Intros
- Parents/Students Presentation
- Release students to Homeroom
- Parent Meeting w/ Mr. Benton

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Teacher Introductions

Mrs. Forsyth - English Miss Wilson - Math Mr. Baker - Art Miss Birkman - Band/Music Mrs. Lepsch - Health Mr. Hibbs - PE Ms. Mahar - Life Skills/Study Hall Mrs. Walch - MS/HS Nurse Mrs. Sippel - WIN Learning Center Mr. Stevenson - Special Education

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Mrs. Reagan - Social Mr. Neumann - Science Mrs. Wass -Special Education Mrs. Andres - Chorus Mrs. McGowan - PE Mrs. Palmer - Computer Science Mrs. Danner - Special Education Mrs. Meyers - Special Education

Miss Phillips - Special Education, Mrs. Faery - (A-L), Mrs. Lombardo - (M-Z), Mrs. Taylor (Social Worker)

Staff members depart for 6th grade wing

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First Day of School

- On Wednesday, September 4, 2024 you will begin your Middle school career! Your day will begin with Homeroom at 7:53am.
- 2:27 is the official end to your day, but not the end to learning opportunities for the day.
- 10th period: In the event that you should need to stay after school to make up work, to get ahead on work or for extra time with a teacher, this is your opportunity!
- Buses run at 2:30 and 3:15
- Take advantage of this opportunity!



Middle School Expectations

- Come to School Everyday
- Turn your work in on time
- Follow all school regulations. (Please read handbook)
- Be Respectful

If the expectations are met - YOU WILL BE SUCCESSFUL!

65% is passing at the Middle School

Be Better Today Than Yesterday



- Protect your locker combination, supplies and valuables. USE YOUR LOCKS. If you lose your lock, you can purchase a new lock at the MS office for \$5.00
- Cafeteria
 - Prepay plan available if you would like to purchase snacks or an additional lunch
 - Please complete the Free and Reduced Lunch Form
 - All students may receive a breakfast and lunch meal everyday at no cost.



WHAT EVERY MS STUDENT NEEDS TO KNOW!!

- Supplies will be discussed by individual teachers (See Website)
- There are many adults who are ready and willing to help you.



<u>Eligibility</u>

- Eligibility regulations pertain to all athletic programs and extracurricular activities.
- Students are expected to perform satisfactorily in all of their scheduled classes (may not be failing in more than one subject area).
- Eligibility list published weekly.
- It is the responsibility of the student to maintain his/her eligibility.



Chromebooks

- School issued Chromebooks must be brought to school fully charged every day.
- All students are required to complete their school work using their school issued Chromebook.
- Any questions regarding Chromebooks can be directed to our Tech Office.



New Bell Schedule

- This new schedule ensures that all students in grades 6 through 12 will now have a daily 20-minute study hall, providing valuable time for focused academic support.
- To accommodate this improvement, we have adjusted the passing time between classes from four minutes to three minutes.
- Rest assured, our staff will work closely with students to help them navigate the new schedule smoothly and confidently, ensuring they feel comfortable with the transition.



Middle School Clubs/Activities

- Student Council (Mrs. & Mr. Harvey)
- Laker Lure (MS Newspaper Mrs. Aloisio)
- Chess Club (Mr. Neumann)
- Running Club (Ms. Wilson)
- Interact Club (Mrs. Aloisio & Mrs. McCarthy)
- Wilson Outdoors Club (Mr. Benton)
- Wilson Junior Honor Society (7th & 8th grade Mr. Moberg)
- Science Club (Mrs. Salvatore)
- Lego Club & Stage Crew (Miss Henzel)



HOMEROOM LISTS

- 6th grade homeroom lists are posted in the Middle School foyer.
- Students will receive their schedule, lock, combination, and student handbook/agenda.
- Find your name and report to homeroom.
- 7th and 8th grade schedules can be picked up from Mrs. Phillips in the Middle School Office.
- Students depart for the Middle School



WHAT EVERY PARENT NEEDS TO KNOW

- We are here to assist you; contact us.
 - We need to develop relationships with students AND parents to best serve the students.
- Please provide us with your email address.
- We provide academic assistance throughout the day and after school.
- Door buzzer/Raptor system in use district-wide
 - Please bring a government issued ID.



PARENT/SCHOOL COOPERATION

- Stress Academic Excellence
- Call the office (not your student's cell phone) if you need to get in touch with your student. (Personal Electronic Devices Prohibited.)
- Call the attendance office and send in an excuse if your child is to be absent.
- Contact the office with concerns

Parent/Teacher Communication/Cooperation

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- Teachers and Parents must form a team to create a home/school connection. Teachers want what is best for your child.
- If you have a question or concern, it is imperative that you do not hesitate to speak with the teacher.
- Encourage your child to meet all school expectations.
- Encourage your child to dress appropriately.
- Keep lines of communication open.
- Contact the middle school office with any concerns.

Parent Meetings:

- I suggest all parents schedule a meeting with the grade level team, especially parents of students who possess an IEP or 504 accommodation plan.
- Please see Mrs. Phillips to schedule a meeting.
 - Parent meetings will be scheduled beginning September 9th.
 - 6th Grade Team Meetings: 8:50 9:20 (2nd period)
 - **7th Grade Team Meetings: 9:30 10:00 (3rd period)**
 - **8th Grade Team Meetings: 10:15 10:45 (4th period)**



What is the best method of communication with teachers?

- Schedule a meeting with the grade level team. If a meeting cannot be arranged, communication via phone or e-mail is the best alternative.
- Most teachers check email on their planning period and are able to respond more quickly than a meeting or phone call.
- In-person meetings are preferred and tend to be more beneficial to student learning/improvement.



How are parents notified of their child's progress?

- Contact your child's guidance counselor or teacher.
- Parent Portal A 'doorway' into school database giving families access to information about their children.
 - Attendance
 - Grades
 - School bulletins.
- Parents are able to participate more fully in their student's progress, and teachers can use their gradebook to communicate with parents and students.

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What are the procedures for the Middle School?

- Appropriate student behavior is outlined in the student handbook. Students and parents are required to read the student handbook.
- I will visit each Social Studies class during the 2nd week of school to discuss 'Points of Emphasis' regarding academic and behavioral expectations.
- If the agenda becomes unusable or is lost, please contact Mrs. Phillips for a new one at a cost of \$5.00.

How will I know what my child has for homework?

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- All students are given a student handbook, commonly referred to as the agenda, in which to copy their homework assignments. Parents should check their child's agenda each night to see the required homework.
- Grade level teams post homework/assignments to Google Classroom.
- It is the student's responsibility to inform parents of their homework, future projects, tests, and quizzes.

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Are students permitted to use cellphones in school?

- Students found using cellphones will have them confiscated and returned to them at the end of the day for the 1st offense. A letter is sent home as well.
- 2nd offense, the phone is confiscated and returned only after a parent conference is held.
- 3rd offense, the phone is confiscated and the student will receive a 3 day suspension.
- Cell Phones should be turned off and in a locker. Please do not text message your child.



What is the deadline for adding/dropping band or chorus?

• Students who wish to add/drop band or chorus must do so no later than September 23rd. Students must have a signed note from the parent and there must be room in the class before any change is considered.



When and where can I drop off my child?

• 7:40 is the best time to drop off students. *Please do not send students in earlier as we do not have supervision prior to 7:40.*

<u>STUDENTS MUST BE DROPPED OFF IN FRONT OF THE ZIPP</u> <u>GYM HALLWAY ENTRANCE - Door L</u>



When and where can I pick up my child?

- 2:35 is the best time to pick up students if your child is leaving after 9th period.
- If your child is staying 10th period, 3:15 is the best time to pick up your child.

<u>Students being picked up by their parents must be picked up in</u> <u>front of the Zipp gym.</u>



When is the last day of school?

- 7th & 8th Grade: June 16, 2025
- 6th Grade: June 24, 2025



Handouts on table outside the Middle School Office

- Middle School Parent Expectations
- School Map
- Supply lists
- Physical Forms
- Picture flyer (will be sent home Day 1)
 - September 10th & 11th
- Summer Reading Forms







