

# 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation Tuesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> from 5:45 - 6:45

The purpose of 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation is to allow us to welcome our new students, provide them an opportunity to become familiar with the Middle School building, walk through their class schedule, meet their teachers, become comfortable using their locker, and lease a Chromebook if needed. **We are so excited to meet our new students and we are looking forward to a great year!** 

## **ORIENTATION DETAILS**

- Sixth grade orientation will be come and go from 5:45 6:45.
- Staff members will be set up at tables inside the library for students to pick up their schedules and pay for a Chromebook if needed. A campus map, Chromebook Lease Agreement, parent/guardian's PowerSchool login information and Middle School information sheet including: pick up and drop off procedures, morning routine instructions, locker information, first day of school expectations, and cafeteria information will be attached to each student's schedule.
- Upon arrival students should pick up their information packet. If your student attended the 'Mock Day", then they will not have another packet to pick up. Please bring the packet they picked up during the "Mock Day" with you.
- Please look closely at your student's schedule and if there is a change that needs to be made, then
  complete the schedule change form and put it in the schedule change tray located just outside of Mrs.
  Godwin's office. Mrs. Godwin will make schedule changes as quickly as possible and email your student
  (via their school email) letting them know the change has been made or if there is an issue with the
  requested change. Please check your student's PowerSchool Portal for the updated change after they
  have received a confirmation email from Mrs. Godwin.
- If your student would like to lease a Chromebook for the upcoming year please submit a Chromebook Loan Request & Agreement form online. The online form was sent to your student's school email address or you may access it through the link on the school website. Students must pay the \$25 fee before a Chromebook will be issued to them. Chromebooks will be available to lease throughout the school year, but all students need a device as soon as possible. If you need assistance with the \$25 fee please contact Mrs. Moydell.
- Once a student has picked up their schedule they may walk through their class schedule and find their locker and practice opening it. Students may bring supplies and put them in their lockers during this time..
   Sixth grade teachers will be at their classroom door to meet and greet students. Other staff members and Tiger Ambassadors will be available throughout the building to direct and assist students as needed and answer any questions you might have.
- BREAKFAST/LUNCH ARE NOT FREE FOR EVERYONE THIS YEAR. There will be someone in the cafeteria if you would like to put money on your student's cafeteria account.
- Each student should locate all 6 of their classes in the order they are in on their schedule and ask any questions they may have about the first day of school.
- If you have any questions or concerns please ask someone before you leave.

### MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

#### **Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up Locations**

If you bring your student to school in the morning you may drop them off in front of the MS building or in the back parking lot. The Middle School and cafeteria open at 7:30. Please drop your student off after 7:30 if possible.

If you pick your student up <u>after school you must pick them up from the back parking lot at 2:40</u>. The area in front of the MS is for buses only after school.

#### **Morning Routine**

All students will come in the main entrance. Students dropped off in the back parking lot should walk around the building and come through the front doors. If a student must arrive before 7:30, then they should wait in the courtyard area in front of the main entrance until the doors open at 7:30.

Students who are eating breakfast should go directly to the cafeteria before coming into the Middle School. Students are not allowed to go to the cafeteria before 7:30.

Students come in and sit in designated hallways in the morning:

- 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys sit near Coach Bethel's room (#303) by the orange lockers
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade girls sit by Mrs. Gilliland's (#304) and Mrs. Laymon's (#104) rooms by the brown lockers.

The first bell rings at 7:45. At this time students may go to their lockers and then on to their 1<sup>st</sup> hour class. The tardy bell rings at 7:55.

#### **Lockers**

Your locker number and combination is on your schedule. Please find your locker and practice opening it several times before you leave. If you feel your locker is sticking and won't open try pushing in on the door and then raising the silver handle.

Directions for opening lockers:

- 1) TURN RIGHT 2 or more whole turns and stop at the 1st combination number
- 2) TURN LEFT 1 whole turn past the 1st number and stop at the 2nd combination number
- 3) TURN RIGHT and stop the stop on the 3<sup>rd</sup> combination number

<u>Cafeteria</u> - Breakfast & lunch ARE NOT FREE THIS YEAR. The monthly menus are available online. There are a few items that are available for purchase in the a la carte line. These items may be purchased with cash or you may put money on your child's account for them to purchase things in the a la carte line.

PE/Athletics - On the first day of school:

- PE students will line up in the hallway by Coach Bethel's room (#303). The line will begin at the top of the stairs.
- Boys athletics students will meet Coach London in the Library on the first day of school.
- Girls athletics students will meet Coach Whiteley out front on the black benches on the first day of school.