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Welcome to the 7th/8th Grade Team!

Whether you are a 7th grader or an 8th grader, whether you are new to our team or are returning for another year –WELCOME!

We have again been working to bring you a new and improved experience. Our schedule ensures that every student receives all 4 core classes every day (Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies) and an STEM and Spanish class on an every other day basis. Mrs. Kidd and Mrs. MacEachern will be diving back in to educate students in Language Arts and Algebra for 8th grade. Mrs. Pipitone and Mrs. Kane will be eagerly awaiting a new crop of students for Language Arts and Math in the 7th grade. Mr. Herrmann will continue exploring Science, and Mrs. Abney will be jumping into world history. Mrs. Emery will be teaching an exciting class called STEM (Science/Technology/Engineering/Math), and we welcome Mrs. Stockbridge as our new Spanish Teacher.

Lastly, all students will be assigned to a teacher for advisory rather than homeroom. The advisory teacher may be a core class teacher or a Unified Arts teacher. This allows for small groups of less than ten students so the adult can get to know the student well and help guide him/her through the year. More information about how the advisory program function will be coming as the school year begins.

What You Need To Succeed

First and foremost, students must be prepared, responsible, and respectful. They need to have a positive attitude. If students come with these, the rest usually falls in to place. Of course, part of being prepared is arriving on the first day with all of the proper supplies. When you go school shopping, please take this list with you. The list will cover all 4 of your core academic classes.

- 1.5" Binders - These should be 3-ring binders, preferable NOT the Trapper keeper/ zipper style. Please have 3, one marked "Math/Science", one marked, "LA/Social Studies". and the last marked "STEM/Spanish".
- Notebook filler paper
- 1-subject spiral bound notebook that will fit into a 3-ring binder for Social Studies
- (8TH GRADE ONLY) An additional 1-subject spiral bound notebook for Math
- 20+ tab dividers
- 1 plastic pocket folder labeled "Homework"
- Plenty of Writing Utensils (pencils, blue/black pens, red pens, hi-liters)
- Ruler
- Hand held pencil sharpener
- A pouch or pencil box
- A calculator (a scientific calculator is recommend for 8th grade)
- Ear buds (suggested for computer use, to prevent sharing)

