

## 7th grade orientation

8/13/20

1. Expectations and responsibilities
  - a. Core values - respect, success, pride
2. Student Handbook - please review it
  - a. Attendance policy
  - b. Dress Code
  - c. Cell phone
  - d. Technology - Acceptable use
3. Progressbook - Students and parents
  - a. Student schedules available
4. School Resource Officer - Deputy Bill Booth
5. Immunization requirements - forms available
6. Enrollment forms (OneView)
  - a. Emergency Medical Authorizations (EMAs) must be completed by the first day of school
7. Mrs. Merickel - 7-12 School Counselor
8. Covid concerns
  - a. Students must wear masks
  - b. Assigned seats
  - c. Increased sanitation
    - i. Hand sanitizer stations
  - d. Washington D.C. - No trip will be scheduled for 2021-2022
  - e. Focus on the students

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation

August 13, 2020

Welcome to Junior High!

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Courses

Reading  
English  
Math  
Science  
Social Studies  
Physical Education  
Computer  
Music or Band  
Study Hall

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Courses

Reading  
English  
Math  
Science  
American History  
Physical Education  
Health  
Art  
Consumer and Financial Literacy  
Band or Study Hall

Students will get their locker assignment when they get their schedule. There are four minutes between classes to allow students to get from one class to the next. All 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders have lunch together, between their 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> period classes.

If a student has Intervention or CATS class, then one or more of the semester elective classes may not be on their schedule.

### *Grades really are important.*

Students who do well in Junior High are much more likely to succeed in high school classes and beyond. To be promoted to the next grade level, you must earn passing grades in 4 out of 5 of your core classes. This is determined by your final averages in those classes. Core classes include Reading, English, Math, Science, and Social Studies. Students who do not pass the minimum courses will be required to take Summer School.

Remember to continually keep track of yourself (or your student), academically. All students and parents have access to grades via ProgressBook. If you ever need help with accessing ProgressBook, please contact the office.

### Independence

As a junior high student, you will have an increased responsibility to take your classes and behavior seriously. This does not mean that school isn't going to be fun, but it does mean that students are held accountable for their actions. You will discover strict guidelines on being on time to class, on turning in homework, and on classroom behavior. You are on the high school side of the building and your actions must reflect those of a young adult. This is one of the biggest challenges that face incoming 7<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **Extra-curriculars**

At the end of each quarter, athletic eligibility will be determined. To participate in a school sport, you must have passing marks in a minimum of 5 one-credit courses (or the equivalent) and have a minimum 1.5 GPA (grade point average) to be eligible to play sports.

Fall sports (Cross Country, Volleyball, and club Soccer) have already begun.

In the Winter, for both boys and girls, there is Basketball and Cheer.

The Spring bring seasons for Track, Baseball, and Softball, as well as Cheerleading tryouts for the following year.

Each of these sports offer additional opportunities for students to challenge themselves physically and mentally. It is documented that students that participate in interscholastic sports earn higher grades in their classes, are better prepared for life after high school, and can face adversity more easily than non-athletes.

Please listen to the morning announcements for information on the start of the Winter and Spring conditioning and seasons.

### **Non Athletic Opportunities**

There are non-athletic activities available! Here are some of the options:

Between the Lines (Book/Reading Club)

PAWS

Student Council

Power of the Pen

Spelling and Geography Bees

Junior Honor Society

Washington D.C. Trip (begin preparations in 7<sup>th</sup> grade for 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip)

Junior High Dance

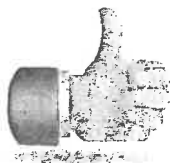
Listen to the morning announcements for information on these activities!

### **Who am I?**

**My job is to help get you prepared for life after high school.**

**Sometimes you might need help with classes, your schedule, or maybe you just need someone to talk to when you are having a rough day. My door is always open. If you're not sure who to ask about something, ask me and we will find the answer together. I am here strictly as a resource for you.**

**-Mrs. Merickel**



**LET'S HAVE A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR!**



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## Immunization Requirement for 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Entry

**One (1) dose each of the Tdap\* and Meningococcal vaccines must be administered prior to entry into 7<sup>th</sup> Grade**

*\*Tetanus-Diphtheria-acellular Pertussis (whooping cough)*

*Tdap can be given regardless of interval since the last tetanus-or diphtheria-toxoid containing vaccine*

*\*Meningococcal (MCV4 – serogroup A, C, W, and Y)*

*The Sidney-Shelby County Health Department provides insurance billing for immunizations through VaxCare.*

*Any unpaid amount billed to insurance will be the client responsibility.*

*Please check with your insurance provider concerning vaccination coverage.*

**All vaccine services are by appointment.**

**Call 937-498-7249 to schedule an appointment.**

**PLEASE BRING YOUR IMMUNIZATION RECORD TO CLINIC VISIT**

Please return the bottom part of this statement with your child's updated immunization information to:  
**Sidney-Shelby County Health Department or your student's School Office**  
**BY THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**

Student: \_\_\_\_\_ School: \_\_\_\_\_  
Grade: 7<sup>th</sup> - Vaccine received/date: \_\_\_\_\_

Tdap \* \_\_\_\_\_ **REQUIRED\*** for entry into 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

Meningococcal\* \_\_\_\_\_ **REQUIRED\*** for entry into 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

(beginning fall 2016)

Varivax 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

HPV 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_ 3. \_\_\_\_\_

HAV 1. \_\_\_\_\_ 2. \_\_\_\_\_

Vaccines given at: (stamp of physician office or health department required)