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## Welcome!

- Mr. Weston Edmonds, Principal
  - FMS Executive Principal & Most Everything
- Ms. Marie Schult, Assistant Principal
  - 6<sup>th</sup> Grade & Curriculum
- Ms. Kimberly Hamlett, Assistant Principal
  - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade & Special Education
- Mr. Brandon White, Assistant Principal
  - 7<sup>th</sup> Grade & Testing

# What to Expect:

- Farragut Middle School
  - Great academics
  - Skilled teachers
  - Variety of activities

# EXCELLENT MIDDLE SCHOOL EXPERIENCE

#### "Preparing them for their Path"

#### Head

Academics

#### Heart

Emotional Health

#### Body

Safety, Social Skills, Decision making

## Academics:

#### REWARD SCHOOLS

Farragut Middle

2021-2022

Recognition for outstanding student success in achievement and growth





# Academics:

- U.S. News and World Report
  - FMS #12 of public middle schools in the state
  - FMS #5 of public non-charter middle schools in Tennessee
  - FMS #1 middle school in East TN
  - FMS #1 middle school in Knox Co.

## Academics:

- Core Academic Classes
  - Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies
  - Standard and Honors
- Related Arts
  - Rotation of: music, art, health, PE
  - Intervention classes, technology, enrichment, yearbook class, etc.
  - New for next year: STEM & Career

## Related Arts:

- Band
- Orchestra
- Chorus
- General Music
- Art
- STEM
- Career and Career/Print Shop/Marketing (new)
- Exploratory Spanish

# Athletics:

- School Sponsored Sports
  - Basketball
  - Cheerleading
  - Track
- Club Sports: Dance

Community Sports: everything else

## Clubs:

- We typically have lots of clubs/Teams
  - Farragut Honor Society
  - Math Counts / Science Bowl
  - Chess
  - Admiral Artisans
  - Watercolor
  - Teens for Christ /FCA
  - Dungeons and Dragons
  - Reading Club
  - Pet Club
  - Game Club
  - Creative Writing Club
  - International Club
  - Pokémon Club
  - Clubs change and will advertise during the school year. We do not keep an accurate list of clubs.

## Student Engagement:

- Down the Hill
- Pod Field Trips
- Parties
- Socials
- In School Basketball game
- Talent Show
- Awards Day
- Admirals Day
- What lies ahead......

#### Life as a 6th Grader:

- Pods
- 4 Core+2 Related Arts=6 Teachers
- Lunch and Cafeteria
- Materials/Lunch dropped off has to happen <u>before</u> 9:30 am
- Checking Out Notes (no dismissals past 3 pm )
- Lockers and Locks We sell you the lock in homeroom cost = \$5

#### **FMS Student Reflections**



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Taryn Jackson – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Jake Mink – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tinsley Clinton – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

Tejo Sai Kuppuru – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **Summer Tour Information:**

- FMS Web Site
   http://www.knoxschools.org/farragutms
- Click on Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
- Summer Tour Dates
- Sign Up for a date and time to tour FMS with one of the Principals (75% Edmonds) after Wednesday, May 17, 2023

#### What to Look for this Summer:

- FMS Web Site your link to all
- Go to the 2023-2024 Scheduling link
  - Specific section for Rising 6<sup>th</sup> Graders
  - Request for academic change for recommended course(s)
  - Generic Supply List for Grade/Pod
  - Specific List for Your Pod
- Aspen for Student Schedule

#### **PTO**

- Great support for FMS
  - Building Improvements
  - Faculty Support
  - Input for FMS Future
- Parent involvement

#### Some closing of advice...

- 1. Continue taking an active role in your child's academic progress. However, make sure to manage their stress for "perfection". We want productive struggle in middle school. Everything is important (grades, attendance, TCAPS, Benchmarks, Aims web) however, no one things is "essential".
- 2. Middle School is going to be different, our behavior expectations will be different. Our students have more freedom and responsibility, but that also equals the need for greater consequences. Please "walk with us" in the consequences early and it will help your student later on in their middle school career.

#### Some closing of advice...

3. Avoid/Delay getting your student a smartphone. It will make their MS life so much easier. If you do, then buy monitoring software. Also, no social media! Their brains are not ready!

4. Beware what you hear "in the community" or on social media. If something seems unbelievable then it probably is. Call or email us anytime.

# Question and Answer Time!

#### **More Questions?**

- If you have any additional questions, please feel free to contact:
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- Marie Schult, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal marie.schult@knoxschools.org