

## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS 2019-2020

### Will I have a locker?

Each eighth grade student will be assigned a locker by his or her 4th period teacher during the first full week of school. Students provide their own lock and are encouraged to leave a spare key or locker combination with their teacher for safekeeping.

### What will my schedule look like?

Eighth grade will abide by the following daily schedule:

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| Homeroom               | 8:00-8:45(Morning Meeting) |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Period | 8:30-9:50                  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Period | 9:53-11:15                 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Period | 11:20-12:25                |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> Period | 12:28-2:15 (lunch)         |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Period | 2:18-3:30                  |

### Can I use my phone?

Phones may be turned on and used during homeroom and after 3:30. Some teachers may arrange for use of electronics for instructional purposes with principal approval.

### What happens if I get in trouble?

We try hard in 8<sup>th</sup> grade to prevent problems by teaching and re-teaching our expectations for behavior in the classrooms, hallways, and common areas. We follow a Positive Behavior Incentive System and reward students for following expectations with RANGER Bucks that you can be used to purchase a variety of items in the PRIDE store and incentives such as electronics or gym passes, free time, etc. Infractions of school and classroom procedures are classified as minor (dealt with in the classroom) or major (dealt with by an administrator), and students will learn the difference and the different levels of consequences during the first days of school.

### How do I know what my grades are?

Progress reports are sent home with students every 4.5 weeks, and report cards are sent home every 9 weeks. All students have access to Aspen and can view their assignments online; parents can access Schoolwires (Parent Portal) with login information provided by the Technology Help Desk. Parents may call the Help Desk at 594-1830 to obtain their login information.

### What happens if I have a problem?

We have plenty of people at NMS to help! Mrs. Lewis' and Ms. Haun's office is in Rm. 109 of the 8<sup>th</sup> grade hallway and any teacher can help direct you to the right place. Below are the names of some of the people who can help with just about any problem an 8<sup>th</sup> grader could encounter:

Mrs. Lewis, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Principal

Ms. Haun, Assistant Principal

Mr. Pantoja, 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Counselor

Ms. Smith, Social worker

Mrs. Jones, Administrative Secretary

Mr. Cleveland Hilton, Community Schools Coordinator

### How can I get involved?

See the list of sports, clubs, and organizations listed at NMS on the back of this handout.

### What are my options for Related Arts?

We offer three full-year classes at NMS: AVID, chorus, and band. All other classes are nine-week rotation classes that will show up as Q1, Q2, Q3, or Q4 on your schedule (Q stands for Quarter). PE, health, keyboarding, art, general music, Social Emotional Learning, and Life Skills for Success. Some students will be required to take Intervention classes in reading and math based on assessment data, and those classes are year-long as well. Related Arts classes follow an A/B schedule (Orange Day classes and Blue Day classes), so classes switch every other day.

### How can I change my schedule?

Schedules are finalized within the first 2 weeks of school after careful review by the 8<sup>th</sup> grade counselor. Administrators will have to approve permission for schedule changes based on the request.

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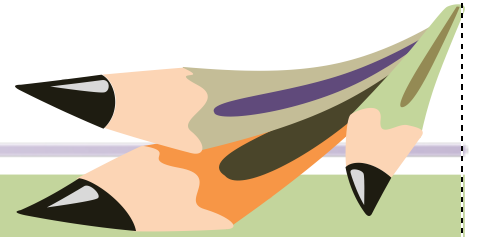
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