



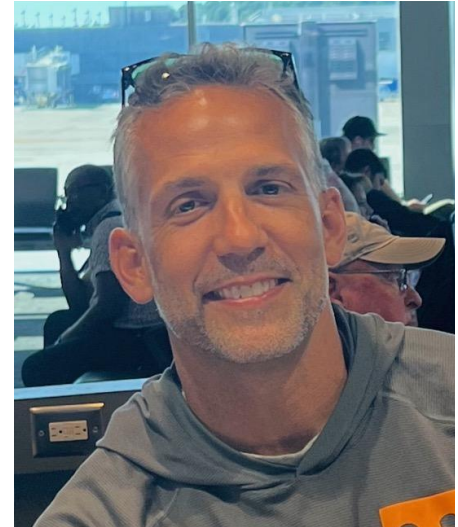
Welcome to 7th Grade

Be a KEE Night
South-Doyle Middle School

Executive Principal

Mr. Norris

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7th Grade Assistant Principal

Ms. Bomely

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6th Grade Assistant Principal

Mr. Miller

patrick.miller@knoxschools.org



School Counselor

Ms. Casagrande

- Academic counseling
- Social and emotional support
- Meets with students individually and in groups
- Assists students with behavior and conflict issues
- If you need help or questions answered,
Ms. Rose Casagrande can help you!

rose.casagrande@knoxschools.org



Behavioral Support

Mr. Mitchell

- Conflict resolution and mediation
- Individual student conferencing
- Behavior support strategies
- Self-regulation strategies
- Behavior contracts



7th Grade Teams

Suite A

Mr. Fairbanks

Ms. Lee

Mr. Pearson

Ms. Robirds

Ms. Semersky

Ms. Chagnon

Suite B

Mr. Lackey

Mr. Larson

Mr. Sprouse

Ms. Whitaker

Ms. Semersky

Ms. Chagnon

Suite C

Mr. Couch

Ms. Harmon

Mr. Chase

Mr. Edwards

Ms. Semersky

Ms. Chagnon

*Ms. Crapo and Ms. Partin

Arriving at School

7:30 AM	Doors open*
7:30 - 8:00 AM	Students in gym
8:00 AM	Students released to breakfast; take to homeroom
8:00 - 8:25 AM	Homeroom (1 st period)
8:25 AM	Morning Announcements
8:30 AM	KEE Time**

**Students may not be dropped off at SDMS before 7:30 AM*

***Students arriving after 8:30 AM will check in at the front office and bring tardy slip to teacher*

7th Grade Daily Schedule

8:10 - 8:25	Homeroom + Lockers
8:30 - 8:50	KEE Time
8:50 - 10:00	1st Period
10:00 - 11:13	2nd Period
11:15 - 11:45	Lunch
11:45 - 1:10	3rd Period Related Arts
1:10 - 2:20	4th Period
2:20 - 3:30	5th Period

Leaving School

3:28 PM Afternoon Announcements + Walkers Dismissed

3:35 PM Buses Depart

3:36 PM Car Riders Dismissed*

**Car Riders enter the parking lot and locate cars on their own*

Note: *Clubs and tutoring require parental transportation home*

Communication

At SDMS we value communication - we WANT to hear from you and welcome meeting with you. You are the most important partner we have.

Ways you can communicate with SDMS teachers and administrators:

- Email
- Phone call
- Parent Square
- Scheduling an in-person meeting

Communication (continued)

Aspen Parent Accounts

- This will allow you to check your students' grades and schedule in real time.
- For help with Aspen, contact KCS Help Desk online.

Email

- Please make sure that you have an email account listed in Aspen.

Parent Square App

- We use parent square to communicate school-wide announcements, contact parents individually, and communicate behavior agreements, progress, etc.

Phone calls

- Please provide the front desk with accurate and up-to-date phone numbers. This is a safety issue as well as a communication necessity.

Behavior + Intervention

- Middle schoolers are navigating 3 sets of Rules:
 - Societal Rules
 - Home Rules
 - School Rules
- 7th graders are making more adult(ish) decisions and don't fully understand the adult consequences.
- Please understand that home rules and school rules sometimes conflict and that students are held to the expectations of school rules while at school - even if they are not the same as rules at home.
- Discipline is progressive and follows KCS J-191 Board Policy for Misbehaviors and Disciplinary Options

Behavior + Intervention

- It is our role to help our 7th graders learn the expectations at SDMS and reinforce the behaviors that are appropriate at SDMS:
 - Teachers
 - Restorative Interventionists
 - Counselor
 - Administrators
 - Behavior Agreements
 - Positive Behavior Incentives: KEE Coins
 - RLC vs ATS

Minor Log + Aspen Referrals

Minor Log

- Parent receives email notification
- Behaviors and interventions are linked to the referring teacher
- Resets at the semester

Minor Log + Aspen Referrals

1. Conference with teacher (review expectations)
2. Restorative questions with teacher and parent contact (attempt documented)
3. Refer to restorative team to complete a restorative/reflection sheet, teacher contact parent (attempt documented)
4. Refer to restorative team, student completes behavior think sheet and develops action plan with restorative team, share action plan with teacher and grade level administrator
5. Aspen referral

Dress Code

The following clothing items are not permitted to be worn in the building:

- Hats
- Hoods
- Toboggans
- Head coverings

Additionally:

- Skirts, dresses and shorts must reach mid-thigh length
- Shirts and tops must cover the midriff
- Students are not permitted to bring items to school that may be disruptive to the learning environment: blankets, speakers, toys, stuffed animals, etc.
- 7th Grade does not have enough lockers to issue each child one. If your child requires a locker, please parent square their homeroom teacher or email Mr. Miller with that request and send a lock in with your student

Cell Phones

- SDMS Cell Phone Policy
 - *Cell phone (and accessories) are off and put away so that it is not distracting to the learning of you or others.*
- **We want the culture of South-Doyle to shine through.** Social media often glorifies apathy, mistreatment of others, violence, and disruptive behavior.
- Knox County Board Policy
 - *Students may possess PCDs while on school property. The devices may be used if the principal deems appropriate. At all other times the PCD must be in the off mode and put away.*
 - *A PCD used outside of these parameters result in confiscation of the PCD until it can be released directly to the parent or guardian.*
 - *Continued violation of this policy may result in loss of PCD privileges.*

Student Chromebooks

- Student Insurance/Device Protection \$20 per child
- Students who do *not* purchase insurance will be day users.
- If a student is frequently coming to school without a laptop or it is uncharged, he/she may be made a day user as well.
- Knox County Board Policy on Student Chromebooks

Scan here to complete
Technology Device
Agreement



Scan here to access
School Cash Online and
purchase Student
Device Protection
Plan/Insurance

Bus Information

Scan here to
access Knox
County Schools
Bus Stop
Locator



Immunization Records

Each student **MUST HAVE** an updated immunization record for our files at South Doyle Middle School. The nurse will need a copy of a shot record showing your child is up to date for 7th grade **BEFORE** or on August 8th in order for your child to attend school. This can be brought into the front office, faxed to the school at (865) 579-2128, or emailed to rachel.shelton@knoxschools.org

Thank you,
Rachel Shelton, RN

Parents: Help Us

- Please make sure your child gets adequate sleep
 - Energy drinks are not a solution
 - What students eat in the morning has significant impact on their day
- Please do not text your child and expect a response during classes
- Attendance is critical
- *In loco parentis*
 - Employees of SDMS are charged by the parents of the students to act on their behalf while the students are here and we take this responsibility very seriously.
 - We value the trust you give us when you drop off your child at SDMS.

Volunteer for PTSO!

- We are in *dire* need of volunteers for PTSO
- Scan the QR code below to register your interest in serving as a:
 - Member
 - Officer
 - Volunteer for specific events



A Message to Our 7th Graders

- **You are important here.**
- You will grow here.
- Don't compare yourself to anyone else. Compare yourself today to who you were yesterday.

Upcoming Dates

First Day of School

- Tuesday, August 8th
- 8:30-12:00 (Half Day)

Early Release

- Wednesday, August 14th
- Dismissal at 1:30 PM

Open House

- Thursday, August 22nd
- 5:30-7:00 PM