

GMS



Orientation

Incoming Grade 7&8

August 14, 2019

INTRODUCTIONS

- ❑ Building Administrators

- ❑ Rocco Telli – Principal

- ❑ Melissa Cheslock – Assistant Principal

- ❑ School Counselors

- ❑ Kathy Johnston

- ❑ Mary Jayne Edwards

- ❑ School Resource Officers

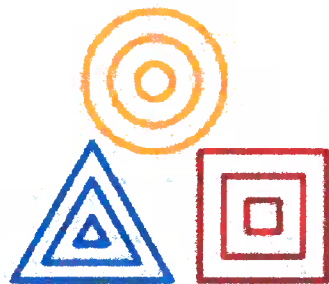
- ❑ Off. Pawlowski and Off. Suranovich

GMS PARTNERSHIPS

Dynamic Learning Project School



Digital Promise
Accelerating Innovation in Education



Dynamic Learning Project

AGENDA

- ❑ Introductions
- ❑ Middle School Philosophy
- ❑ Curriculum
- ❑ Example Schedule
- ❑ School Support Services
- ❑ Policies and Procedures
- ❑ Student Opportunities
- ❑ Self - Guided Tour

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Programing Philosophy

- ❑ Improving Academic Skills
 - ❑ Infused Study Skills and Advisory
- ❑ Application of 21st Century Skills
 - ❑ Dynamic Learning Project
 - ❑ Common Sense Media Lessons
 - ❑ SeaPerch
- ❑ Student-Centered Approach
 - ❑ OLWEUS
 - ❑ Counseling Services
 - ❑ Student Advisory Committees

CURRICULUM

- ❑ 7th and 8th grade are designed for students to explore different content areas while refining their core academic skills in preparation for high school and beyond.
- ❑ Block periods for Math and ELA are designed to develop student skills in preparation for high school and beyond
- ❑ Elective changes may not occur due to staffing limitations.

EXAMPLE SCHEDULES

PD	GRADE 7
1	Pre-Algebra
2	Pre-Algebra
3	Choir
4	Lunch (30 Minutes)
5	World Geography - Early History
6	Integrated Science 7
7	PE / Health / Art 7 / Digital Fluency
8	ELA 7
9	ELA 7

PD	GRADE 8
1	ELA 8
2	ELA 8
3	Intro to Algebra
4	Choir
5	Intro to Algebra
6	Lunch (30 Minutes)
7	Integrated Science 8
8	PE / Health / FACS 8 / Intr Robotics
9	US History

SUPPORT SERVICES

- ❑ AIM (Accent on Individual Motivation)
- ❑ ESL
- ❑ Special Education
- ❑ 504 Plans
- ❑ Counseling
- ❑ Intervention Opportunities
- ❑ SAP – Student Assistance Program

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Procedures / Policies

- Metal Detectors**
 - Every student and adult is subject to search
 - Bag Search / Medications
- Cell Phones**
 - Must be turned off
 - Prefer to be locked in student lockers
- Excuses**
 - Can be emailed to the office
 - Excuse Station
- Skyward**
 - Minimum of weekly updates

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Procedures / Policies

Parent Drop-Off

- Parents do not need to sign students in...just out

Lockers and Locks

- Students must use school issued locks on hallway lockers
- Permitted at lockers - Arrival / Lunch / Dismissal

Transportation

- Must ride assigned bus / van
- Change in arrangements must be made ASAP to office.

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Procedures / Policies

❑ **Bookbags**

- ❑ Not permitted to be carried during the day

❑ **Hall Passes**

- ❑ Provided each 9 week term. Must be used to be dismissed from class.
- ❑ Medical concerns should be communicated to office / nurse.

❑ **Technology**

- ❑ District issued technology is a privilege.
- ❑ Students are responsible for proper use of devices.
- ❑ Inappropriate treatment will result in repair costs.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Athletics

Soccer
Basketball
Football
Baseball
Softball
Cross Country
Wrestling
Cheerleading
Volleyball (Girls)
Track and Field
Ice Hockey

Activities

Creek Connections
Student Council
Jazz Band
Acapella
Chess Club
Computer Club
Robotics Club
Morning Announcements
Cooking Club

- Student Led Drives and Initiatives through Student Council

GMS COMMUNICATION

- ❑ E-Mail: employee first initial and last name (example: rtelli@gatewayk12.org)
- ❑ Skyward – Essential for Monitoring Students, Assignments, and Contact
- ❑ Website: [Gateway Middle School](http://www.gatewayk12.org) (www.gatewayk12.org)
- ❑ Automated E-blast and Phone System

QUESTIONS

- ❑ Please see us individually or email us for specific information related to your child.

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