

RIVERSIDE BEAVER COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT



Riverside Middle School

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Dear Parent (s) or Guardian:

August 2, 2021

It is a great pleasure to welcome you to the 2021-2022 school year! I hope that the summer months provided your family with some rest, relaxation, and rejuvenation. We have been busy preparing for the new school year and are excited to share some of the new things happening here at the middle school during Meet the Teacher. To best prepare you for the start of the school year, below is some important information.

The first day of school will be Tuesday, August 31, 2021. The school day for students in Grades 6, 7, and 8 is 7:35 AM until 2:25 PM. You may view your child's schedule and homeroom assignment on Skyward beginning Wednesday, August 18.

Middle School will host a Meet the Teacher on Monday, August 30, 2021. Specific arrival times, locations and parking instructions are included below. This is an opportunity for parents/guardians and students to become familiar with their schedules, meet their teachers, and to be informed of the instructional and classroom expectations established for the 2021-22 school year. Due to limited space in the classrooms, **we respectfully request that you not bring siblings** so that the focus can be your middle school child.

Parking areas have been pre-planned for your visit and are listed next to your grade level agenda. It is important that you park in your designated area as we have several activities happening in our district that day. Please make note of where you are to report upon arrival and the time schedule.

Grade 7 & 8 Meet the Teacher (8:00 AM – 10:00 AM)

8:00- 8:15	Welcome (<u>Middle School Gym</u>)
8:20- 8:25	Homeroom
8:28- 8:36	Period 1
8:39- 8:47	Period 2
8:50- 8:58	Period 3
9:01- 9:09	Period 4
<i>Lunch</i>	Period 5
9:12- 9:20	Period 6
9:23- 9:31	Period 7
9:34- 9:42	Period 8
9:45- 9:53	Period 9

6th grade is to park at Central Office. If needed, limited parking may be available in the Middle Lot.

7th & 8th grade are to park in the main parking lot.

Grade 6 Open House Agenda (9:00 AM-10:30 AM)

9:00 AM- 9:25AM	Welcome (Middle School Gym)
9:35 AM- 10:30 AM	Student & Parent report to Homeroom
	Meet the Teachers
	Important Information
	Course Expectations
	Lockers

Please arrive promptly due to our strict timeline. Thank you for your support and consideration.

- 🐾 **First Student bus information for your child:** If you have any questions regarding your child's bus transportation, please contact First Student at (724) 758-3411 or Mr. Brian Churovia at (724) 758-7512 ext.3002. If your address has changed within the district, you will need to bring approved documentation to our Enrollment Office for verification. As in the past, we **will not accept bus pass requests unless an emergency arises validated by the building principal.**

- 🐾 **Attendance is critical to your child's academic success.** Uninterrupted instructional time is important for all students. We do not encourage student late entries or early dismissals although we understand that doctor, dentist, and orthodontist schedules can conflict with the school day. If you must schedule these appointments during school hours we ask that you bring signed documentation verifying your visit so your child's attendance record can be adjusted accordingly. **Please make note of the important test dates below to avoid conflicts with vacations and/or appointments.**

- 🐾 **A School Planner will be provided for all middle school students. Enclosed in the Planner is the Student Handbook and is available on the middle school webpage for reference.** We encourage you to read your Student Handbook as a few changes have been made. Please sign the signature page in the Student Handbook and return it to their homeroom teacher no later than **Friday, September 10.**

Thank you for the opportunity to educate your children. We look forward to working with you and your child this school year! In the past we have had tremendous support from our school community and look forward to another successful year. The middle school website is an excellent resource to keep you up-to-date on school news and upcoming events – log on to www.riverside.k12.pa.us. If you have questions, please contact the Middle School office at (724)758-7512 ext. 3035. Enjoy the rest of the summer!

Sincerely,

Alicia C. Dwyer
Principal Grade 3-8
ext. 3036

<u>2021-2022 PSSA Testing Dates</u>	
PSSA Language Arts Gr. 6-8	April 25-29
PSSA Math Gr. 6-8	May 2-13
PSSA Science Gr. 8 only	May 2-13
Algebra I Keystone Exam	May 18-19

Please make note of this year's testing dates. We ask that you avoid scheduling vacations during the specified testing periods

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