



Hello Middlebrook Families,

Unlike our typical Back to School Messenger, this is an abbreviated resource to get you up and running for this unusual school year. More information on volunteering, PTA membership and the like will be published in upcoming issues of the Middlebrook Messenger.

Virtual Student Walk-Thru Day, August 24, 2020

In keeping with the times. Walk through will be virtual this year. Teachers will send parents a link to a 'Meet the teachers' video. Links will be emailed and you can watch the video when you receive your team assignment.

Virtual Open Houses

Because everyone needs another zoom meeting in their schedule! Links will be emailed closer to the dates. Dates will be announced shortly as they are being moved following the cancellation of MB Orientation dates on 8/26 and 8/28.

- 6th Grade Parents -- TBD
- 7th Grade Parents -- TBD
- 8th Grade Parents --TBD

Schoology Training

Online learning is not just for your kids. Schoology training will be held via zoom. The course will take an hour.

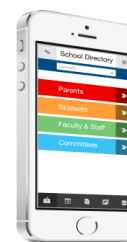
- Tuesday, August 25, 6pm - [zoom link](#)
- Make Up date Thursday, August 27, 5pm - [zoom link](#)

PTA President Welcome

Welcome to Middlebrook! Whether learning remotely or coming into the building the PTA is here to be a voice for parents and teachers, offering support no matter what situation arises. Like in all aspects of our life, the PTA has been called on to support parents and teachers in new ways since COVID-19. We look forward to your support, collaboration and patience as we navigate this new landscape full of new opportunities to meet your needs.

We look forward to your support and hope your student(s) will enjoy all that **the PTA** offers! Please don't hesitate to reach out with questions and ideas at cring226@hotmail.com

Best,
Chandra Ring
Middlebrook PTA President



Join the PTA through our MobileArq App. We hope to open membership on August 31st. But this being 2020, anything might happen. Stay tuned for a PTA email confirmation later this week.

Get instant access when you join – no waiting, easy updates to address or phone number changes throughout the year! Join at: www.middlebrookpta.org

It's green, searchable and portable! Available on phones, tablets and computers!

One easy spot to register for all your kids' PTAs and make a donation at the same time!

Questions? Email our Membership VP [Donna Arnold](mailto:Donna.Arnold)

Middlebrook School Hours, Pick Up & Drop Off Hours

Regular Start/Dismissal Times

Normal School Day:	8:20 am - 2:50 pm
Shortened Day:	8:20 am - 12:30 pm
Snow/Emergency Early Closing:	8:20 am - 10:30 am
8:20 am - 12:30 pm	

Hybrid Wednesday Hours

8:20 am - 12:30 pm

Delayed Starts

1 Hour Delay starts at 9:20 am
2 Hour Delay starts at 10:20 am
3 Hour Delay starts at 11:20 am

Staggered Arrival and Dismissal Instructions

Out of a concern for the volume of cars bringing students to Middlebrook, we have created an alphabetically-based Staggered Parent Driver Arrival and Dismissal schedule. Please note the time you are requested to drop off your child.

Staggered Parent Driver Arrival and Dismissal

Cohort A - Monday/Tuesday

Arrival Times

7:55 - 8:02 A-C
8:02 - 8:09 D-G
8:09- 8:16 H- Le

Dismissal Times

2:50 - 2:56 A-C
2:56 - 3:02 D-G
3:02 - 3:08 H-Le

Cohort B - Thursday/Friday

Arrival Times

7:55 - 8:02 Li-P
8:02 - 8:09 Q-S
8:09- 8:16 T-Z

Dismissal Times

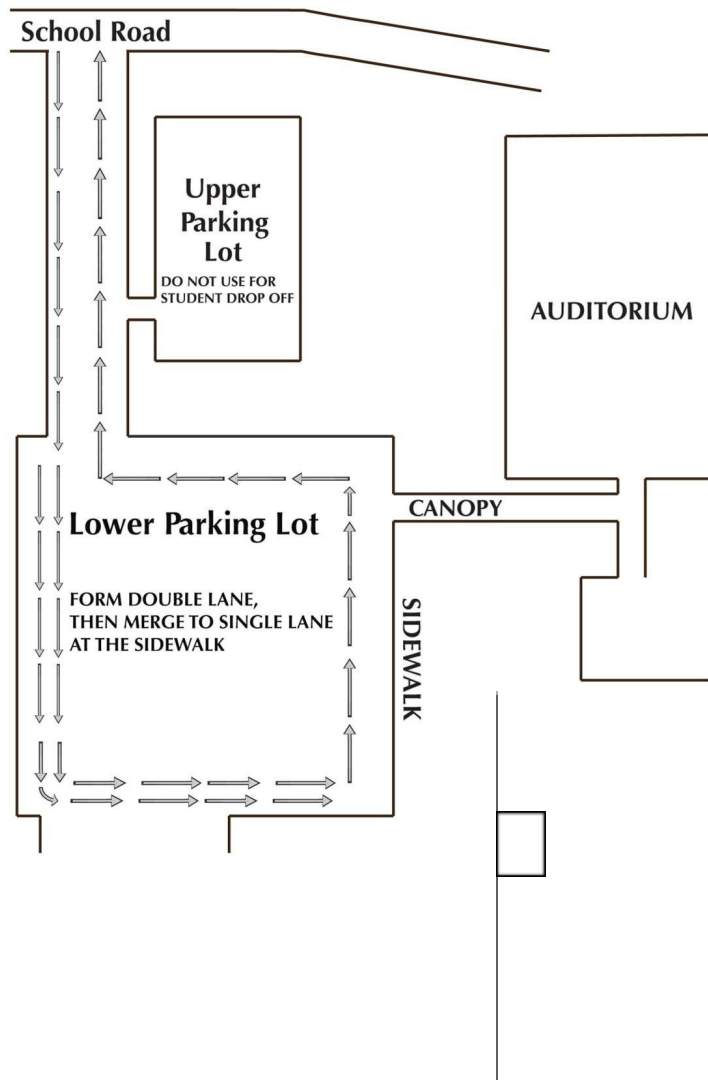
2:50 - 2:56 Li- P
2:56 - 3:02 Q-S
3:02 - 3:08 T-Z

See pages 4 & 5 of this document for safe drop off/pick up procedures in our rear parking lot.

Student *DROP OFF* Procedures

Please share this information with all the drivers in your family.

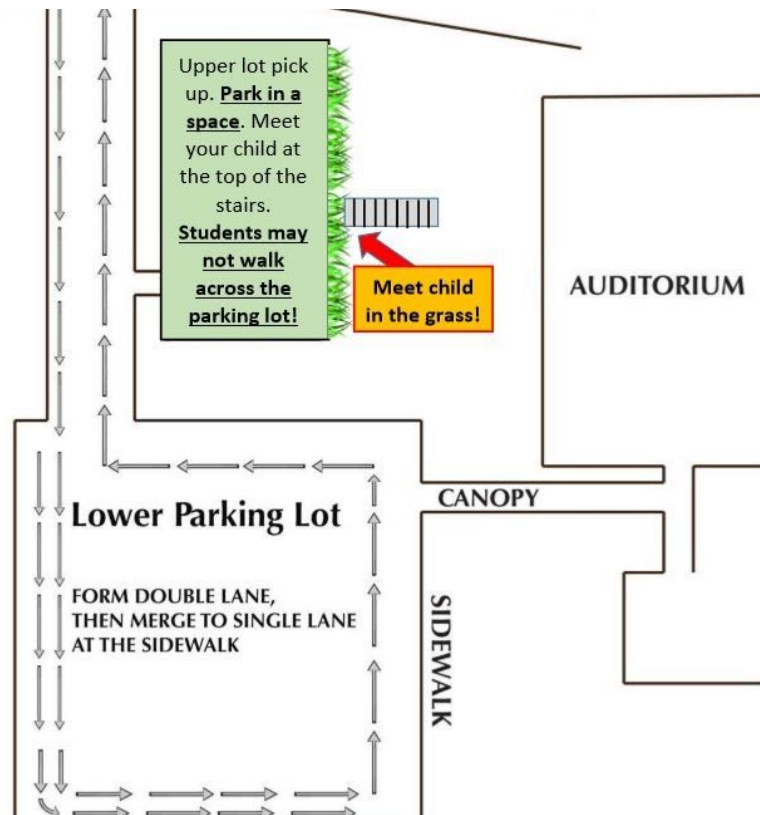
1. Students may be dropped off according to their assigned staggered times.
2. Please use the entire length of the sidewalk for drop-off to enable all students to arrive at their classes on time and refer to the diagram below.
3. DO NOT drop off students:
 - in the lower parking lot, other than at the designated sidewalk
 - anywhere in the upper parking lot
 - at the front entrance of the school (unless arriving after 8:30 a.m.)
4. If your child has a physical disability, he/she may be dropped off and picked up at the front entrance **ONLY** if you have a pass from the nurse or the main office.



Student *PICK UP* Procedures

Please share this information with all the drivers in your family.

1. Student pick up will also be according to assigned staggered times. The procedure for student pick up is the same as the drop off procedure for students not taking the bus. Students will be released from class according to staggered times, starting at 2:50 p.m. when the bell rings.
2. They will leave the building through the rear canopy exit and can be picked up along the sidewalk in front of and to the right of the canopy. Please use the entire length of the sidewalk for pick-up. **DO NOT attempt to drive through the lower parking lot aisles to pick up your child - it is not safe, blocks traffic flow, and blocks in cars that are following instructions.**
3. For students who need to be picked up quickly at their staggered dismissal time - parents/drivers **must park** in either parking lot in a designated parking space and walk to the grass area at the top of the stairs to meet their students. **Do NOT double park anywhere blocking parking spaces.**
4. **DO NOT double park in either lot.** Drive through pick up is ONLY to be done at the designated sidewalk area.
5. Do not pick up students from the front entrance of the school unless you are making an **office pick up prior to 2:50 p.m.**



OR park, then walk to canopy to pick up child

School Supplies

ALL TEAMS/ALL GRADES

ART: 9x12 spiral bound sketchbook preferably with a hard or plastic cover. Our art teachers hope students will use the same sketchbook during their 3 years at Middlebrook.

AIM: Single subject notebook (any type is fine)
 2 pocket folder (any type is fine, plastic holds up better)
 Plenty of pencils (any type is fine)

Supplies vary by team. Lists for each team can be found on the Team pages of the [Middlebrook School Website](#) or alternatively, follow the links below:

Click on your Team below to be redirected to you team’s supply list for 2020 - 2021

<u>6 Green</u>	<u>7 Green</u>	<u>8 Green</u>
<u>6 Red</u>	<u>7 Red</u>	<u>8 Red</u>
<u>6 Yellow</u>	<u>7 Yellow</u>	<u>8 Yellow</u>

FAQ’s and Useful Links

Frequently Asked Questions

How do I report an absence?	Email MBAttend@wiltonps.org Include reason for absence, student name and team.
I have a bus question / issue	Email: Fran Williams
Where do I find the district calendar?	District Calendar Link
I have a chromebook issue. What do I do?	Request help here
I have a PowerSchool Question	Email it to: Jeanne Mangels
I am not receiving email communications from school. What do I do?	Email: Jeanne Mangels

Food Related Services

Chartwells provide cafeteria food	Information online here
How do I order lunches in advance?	Through Nutrislice
How do I pay for lunches?	Through MySchoolBucks

Middlebrook Staffing

Middlebrook School Website homepage	https://www.wiltonps.org/middlebrook
District homepage	https://www.wiltonps.org/
Board of Education homepage	https://www.wiltonps.org/board-of-education
Special Education homepage	https://www.wiltonps.org/departments/special-services
Directory of Middlebrook Staff	https://www.wiltonps.org/about/directory

Interim Principal	Brian Fagan
Who is my child's dean?	Toby Kawulicz - All Green Teams
	Jory Higgins - All Red Teams
	Damien Whelan - All Yellow Teams
Who is my child's Counselor?	Anne McManus - 6th Grade
	Bonnie O'Brien - 7th Grade
	Bill Gerundo - 8th Grade
How do I contact the nurses office?	Nancy Flaherty, RN 203 834 ext. 4961 Katie Marchese, Health Assistant ext. 5271

All email addresses in the district follow the following logic - last name, first initial @ wiltonps.org. For example, Brian Fagan's email address is faganb@wiltonps.org.

Programs That Support Our Schools

In these uncertain times we appreciate the support that parents are able to offer to the school. Two programs that support our school at no cost to parents are Stop and Shop Rewards and Box Tops. Thank you to those parents who have signed up.

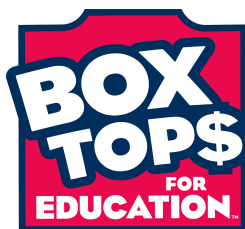
Stop & Shop Rewards



You shop, we save! Sign up with the **Stop and Shop School Rewards Program** and Middlebrook School earns money every time you visit Stop and Shop! Last year we had over 200 parents supporting the program, we would love to have more this year. [Sign up here](#)

Stop and Shop Rewards allow the school to grant 'Some Day Wishes' to students.

BoxTops for Education



Box Tops are Digital! Here's what you need to do.

1. Download the BoxTops App from your App store
2. Register yourself - very easy, two minutes maximum to register
3. When you have shopped, simply scan your store receipt using the Box Tops App and your cell phone.

Box Tops for Education can be found on hundreds of everyday products from companies like Food Should Taste Good, Yoplait, Kleenex, Scott, Ziploc, Hefty, Old El Paso, Green Giant, Land O Lakes, and Hanes. Proceeds from Box Tops go directly to the school to help buy new equipment and supplies. If you would like more

information about this program, including participating brands, visit www.btfe.com,

Wilton SEPTA



The Wilton SEPTA's mission is to build compassionate, trusting, and collaborative relationships with all members of our schools and community. We strive to ensure that the diversity of all children receiving Special Education and related services will be supported, celebrated and socially embraced. Collectively, we will work to increase access to resources; empowering every child with the opportunity and inspiration to thrive. Please visit our website or get in touch via email to find out how to get involved. Email wiltonsepta@gmail.com

Wilton Youth Council



Youth to Youth: Wilton Youth Council's Youth to Youth student club is gearing up for a great school year! We'll be starting the year virtually, and we hope you'll join us. Youth to Youth is open to all 6th through 8th grade students. Visit <https://www.wiltonyouth.org/youth-to-youth> to learn more about the club, and watch the Middlebrook Messenger for more information about the first meeting. Join Youth to Youth and "get ready to meet some of the best people that you're ever going to meet!"

Parent Education: Wilton Youth Council and SPED*NET Wilton are partnering to bring parents a series of webinars this fall. We will kick it off on August 25 with "Coping with Uncertainty as School Begins: What We Can Do to Help Our Kids and Ourselves" with Mary Murphy, Ph.D. Parents and students are managing unprecedented challenges this year, and there is much we still do not know about how the year will unfold. Dr. Murphy will help us create a toolbox of coping skills for ourselves and our children. Visit www.wiltonyouth.org or www.spednetwilton.org for more information and to register. While you are there, sign up for our newsletters to stay informed of all our programs through the year.