WOODBURY MIDDLE SCHOOL 67 Washington Avenue, Woodbury, CT 06798 Phone: 203-263-4306



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Dear Students, Parents, and Guardians

We are very excited to officially welcome you to Woodbury Middle School on Wednesday, September 2, 2020. We have met students through zoom and google meet, contacted parents through emails and recorded messages, but we are finally at a time when we get to meet our students in person; we could not be happier.

With our student's and staff's safety at the forefront of our planning, we will only have students attending orientation this year. In the past, we have included parents in our orientation, but for the sake of time we have not included this piece of the day. We are hoping to meet all parents soon and encourage you to contact us with any questions.

Orientation will allow students to meet teachers, reconnect and meet new students in their class, and tour the building. Although brief, we believe the time spent will decrease concerns about the first day of school. Students will not need to practice at lockers during orientation as we will not be using lockers when school begins for safety reasons.

When it is your child's opportunity to attend orientation, please enter WMS from School Street and drop off at the sixth grade entrance nearest the circle. Please note, this entrance will only be used for sixth grade students. If, in the future, students are dropped off by busses or at the other end of the building at our other drop off point, they will use the sidewalks to enter the building at the same sixth grade door.

Students will be with us for an hour, and we ask that pick up is in the same location. We respectfully request that although you may want to help your child, please stay in your car during drop off and pickup; we will have faculty there to assist and reassure your child.

You will be able to view your child's schedule via Powerschool shortly. Look for an email from the district stating that the parent and student portal is open; directions of how to access the portal will be included. On your child's schedule, they will have a class labeled 6AH; this is the room your child should report to on Orientation Day. We have split the students into two groups to maximize the experience for all.

The following homerooms are asked to arrive at 12:30 pm on Wednesday, September 2: Mrs. Pezzullo, Mrs. Meghani, and Mrs. South.

The following homerooms are asked to arrive at 1:45 pm on Wednesday, September 2: Mr. Fontaine and Mr. Zeno.

Just a few items to keep in mind as we maneuver through this year together. Sixth grade students will have all teachers and will be moving from class to class but will remain with their 6AH group for the day; all students have the opportunity to have all Unified Arts classes throughout the year. When we begin school on Tuesday, September 8, sixth grade students are



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expected to be in-person in school on Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday for the first week. Moving forward students will be in person Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday and remote learning on Wednesday. Please look to our list of <u>protocols and procedures</u> for greater detail.

We look forward to seeing all our students,

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