

Preston Plains Middle School

8th Grade Fact Sheet

8th Grade Team Members:

- English/Language Arts – Christopher Pickett
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- Spanish – Tatyany Jacobsen
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- Resource – Heather Wolf
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All staff members are available via the school phone number or via email.

PPMS Main Office Staff:

- Dr. Ivy Davis-Tomczuk, Principal
 - davisi@prestonschools.org
- Rachel Dean, Secretary
 - deanr@prestonschools.org
- Denise Tedeschi, Nurse
 - tedeschid@prestonschools.org
- Olof Sigmarsdottir – School Psychologist
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- Jessica Boucher – Social Worker
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Office Hours: 8:00 am until 4:00 pm

Absences, Late Arrivals, and Early Departures:

- Excused absences include: illness or injury; death in the family; religious observances.
- Students arriving after the start of school must check into the office; parents do not need to escort them to the office or sign them in.
- Students being picked up early or being picked up by a designee must bring a note with this information to school (parent contact via telephone/email will work in a pinch). Parent designees must be listed on enrollment documentation as being approved to pick up the student.
- Students going home on a different bus, getting off at a different bus stop, or being picked up at PVMS must bring a note with this information to school (parent contact via telephone/email will work in a pinch).

School Hours:

- Arrival – students can begin entering the building at 8:20 am; students are considered tardy if they are not present by 8:40 am;
- Dismissal – 3:00 pm

Parents/Guardians picking students up at the end of the school day must come to the front door to show they are present (Main Office staff will complete their sign out). All parent designees must be listed on yearly Students Leaving the Building form as being approved to pick up the student. Individuals new to PPMS will need to show ID on arrival.

Specialists:

- Diane Hansen – Art
 - hansend@prestonschools.org
- Emma Lotreck – General Music/Chorus
 - lotrecke@prestonschools.org
- Joe Durfee – Instrumental Music/Band
 - durfeej@prestonschools.org
- Susan Strader – Computers
 - stradersu@prestonschools.org
- Eric McGlone – PE/Health
 - mcglonee@prestonschools.org
- Elaine Lettiere – Library
 - lettierEE@prestonschools.org

Lunch:

- Thanks to a federal subsidy, breakfast and lunch are free for the time being; once the subsidy runs out, we will be charging for both and will notify you in advance of costs.
- Extras (ice cream) and water can be purchased for \$1.00 and up.
- We recommend all students have water bottles during the school day; our water coolers have been fitted to fill bottles (students are no longer able to drink from the fountains). Single use water bottles can be purchased at lunch.
- Students typically eat for 20 minutes and then have 10 minutes of free play outside or inside depending on weather.

PPMS Website:

- ppms.prestonschools.org
- All teachers use Google Classroom accounts to post homework assignments; students can access these using their Preston-provided username and password.