

## **Northwest Middle School**

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# **Back to School Message**

Dear Northwest Families,

Welcome to the 2023 – 2024 school year! It's hard to believe that summer is coming to a quick close and the school year is only a few weeks away. I hope you find some time to rest and relax before the busy school year begins.

The first day of school is **Tuesday, September 5.** Student schedules will be available August 15 and can be accessed through the Home Access Center (HAC) – directions are enclosed in this newsletter. Bus routes are available on the CCPS website also. <u>Student and Parent Resources - Carroll County</u> <u>Public School District (carrollk12.org)</u>

On Wednesday, August 23 from 4:00-6:00 we are hosting our first planned **Family Night/Open House** – please see the enclosed flyer about this event. We hope you can join us. On Friday, September 29, we will be holding our student welcome back after-school dance from 3:30-5:00 – details will be sent out once the school year begins.

Our Back-to-School dates are below. We'll begin in the cafeteria with a presentation from administration and then parents will move to their child's classes.

6<sup>th</sup> grade Back-to-School Tuesday, August 29 - 6:00-8:00 pm 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade Back-to-School Wednesday, September 13 - 6:00-8:00 pm

We are happy to announce our continued partnership with Boys and Girls Club of Westminster, which will take place after school on Monday and Wednesday from 3:30-6:00 starting in October. We'll have applications available during our Back-to-School events and in our main office – this year's membership is only \$1.00. Also, we will be providing bus transportation home for students outside of the walking range. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact Erin Bishop for more information - <u>ebishop@bgccarrollcounty.org</u>

#### We'd like to welcome the following new staff members to our Pack!

- Jodi Weaver, Assistant Principal
- Alissa Narcross, Assistant Principal
- Matt Block, 8th grade Social Studies Tornadoes
- Ryan Hummer, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math Samurai
- Dan Kerr, 7<sup>th</sup> grade Math Ninja
- Marie Hawkins, 6th grade Science Justice League
- Ashlea Hagood, Reading Specialist
- Carl Hooker, Technology Education
- Alex Tomlinson, Special Education Resource
- Sheila Herbst, Career Coach

- Jordyn Griffin, IA Husky Intervention
- Lindsey Markle, Student Support Assistant
- Madi Abbott, Permanent Substitute
- Lou Orem, Mental Health Therapist

As we transition back to school, I'd like to highlight a few building procedures and expectations. We'll review these items during Back-to-School and the first week with our students.

**Dress Code** - Hats/Hoods have become increasingly popular in school; however, they are not permitted to be worn in the building during the school day.

**Personal Devices/Cell Phones** - Must be away during the school day (8:00 - 3:25) during hallway transition, lunch, and recess. With laptops being issued, students will not need access to their cell phones for learning. Student cell phones can be confiscated if they are out/used.

**Student Lockers** – Every student will be assigned a locker by their homeroom teacher the first week of school but may carry a backpack with their belongings/laptop.

**Communication** – Each week, we'll send out an e-mail with our Northwest Glance – this will include relevant school information, upcoming activities, and include a quick glimpse at our two-week calendar. Enclosed in this newsletter, you will find our school supply list and "refrigerator" page with important dates and procedures. As we finalize some of our activities, we will send those dates out. Please don't forget to visit our school website for more information and the CCPS link below with school procedures and policies.

Northwest Website - <u>https://nws.carrollk12.org/</u> CCPS Student Services page - <u>https://www.carrollk12.org/student-services</u>

We are excited to start a new year! If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact our office. We hope to see you at our back-to-school events.

Sincerely,

Scott M. Lavender, Principal Alissa Narcross, Assistant Principal Jodi Weaver, Assistant Principal

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## Thank you!

Calendar of Events

Monday, September 4 Schools/Offices Closed – Labor Day

Tuesday, September 5 <u>A Day</u> – First Day for Students

Wednesday, September 6 *B Day* 

Thursday, September 7 *A Day* 

Friday, September 8 *B Day* 

Monday, September 11 *A Day* 

Tuesday, September 12 *B Day* 

Wednesday, September 13

A Day

 $7^{th}$  &  $8^{th}$  Grade Back to School Night (6:00 – 8:00 pm)

Thursday, September 14

B Day

Friday, September 15

A Day



FREE SCHOOL SUPPLIES FOR 50 NWS STUDENTS WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

### REFRIGERATOR PAGE – 2023-2024

#### Northwest Middle School

Office: 410-751-3270 Fax: 410-751-3275

Scott M. Lavender – Principal Jodi Weaver – Assistant Principal Alissa Narcross – Assistant Principal



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8:00-4:00

#### SCHOOL DAY

Students Arrive:	8:00-8:20
Homeroom:	8:20-8:25
Classes:	8:25-3:00
Dismissal:	3:00-3:25

#### Testing:

March-June (specific dates TBD)

#### ATTENDANCE

If your child is absent, please email... <u>NWSattendance@carrollk12.org</u>

#### Lunch Times:

Grade 6:	10:55-11:25
Grade 7:	12:25-12:55
Grade 8:	11:30-12:00

#### SCHOOL NURSE

Ms. Karen Cardone, RN

#### 6TH GRADE OUTDOOR SCHOOL

- November 13 17
- November 27 December 1
- December 4 8
- December 11 15

Students will receive their packets prior to attending their particular week. Student weeks will be determined at a later date.



#### 2023-24 MARKING PERIODS Quarter 1: Sept 5 – Nov 7 Quarter 2: Nov 8 - Jan 25 Quarter 3: Jan 29 - April 9

Quarter 3: Jan 29 - April 9 Quarter 4: April 10 - June 13

Actual marking periods may be adjusted depending on the use of emergency closing days.

#### 2HR 45 MINUTE EARLY DISMISSALS

November 7, 22 - December 22 -April 9 - June 13

#### SCHOOLS CLOSED FOR STUDENTS

- October 20
- November 23, 24
- December 25 29
- January 1, 15, 26
- February 19
- March 28, 29
- April 1, 2
- May 14, 27

#### School Pictures/Retakes/Make Ups

- September 19, 2023
- November 20, 2023 (Make Ups)

#### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHTS

-6<sup>™</sup> Grade/Related Arts: Tuesday, August 29<sup>™</sup> (6:00-8:00)

-7<sup>TH</sup> AND 8<sup>TH</sup> Grade/Related Arts: Wednesday, September 13<sup>th</sup> (6:00-8:00)

#### PARENT CONFERENCES - 3:30-6:30

Wednesday, October 18, 2023 Wednesday, December 13, 2023 Wednesday, January 17, 2024 Thursday, March 21, 2024

Actual conferences may be adjusted depending on the use of emergency closing days.



2023-2024 MUSIC PROGRAMS Winter and Spring Concerts - TBD



SCHOOL COUNSELORS Rachel Hiner – 6<sup>th</sup> grade Haylee Bailey – 7<sup>th</sup> grade Julia Kraus (Lohmann) – 8<sup>th</sup> grade NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL

# HUSKY HOMEWORK HELP

## SCHOOLWORK-HOMEWORK-ORGANIZATION SUPPORT

QUIETLY COMPLETE SCHOOLWORK WITH ADULT SUPPORT

## TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS FROM 3:30-4:30

SEMESTER 1: Oct. 3, 2023-Jan. 25, 2024

SEMESTER 2:

Feb. 13, 2024- May 30, 2024

RSVP: by Sept. 15, 2023 for Semester 1 to AlissaNarcross@carrollk12.org TRANSPORTATION PROVIDED IF....

...you enroll for the full semester, by Sept. 15, 2023.

Walkers and Parent-Pick Up can drop in as needed

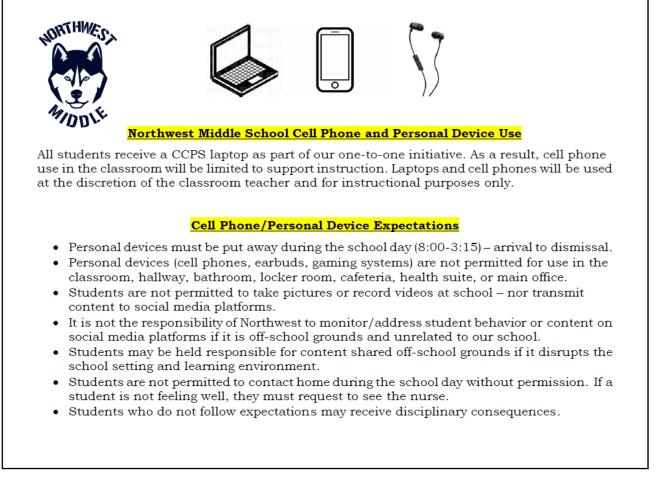




## Be a Leader! Join the Boys & Girls Club at Northwest Middle School!



Are you looking to get the most out of your middle school experience? The Boys & Girls Club at Northwest Middle is the perfect place to make new friends, get help with homework, earn service hours and engage in fun activities. This leadership program at meets from 3-6 PM on Mondays and Wednesday at Northwest Middle School. Boys & Girls Club believes that kids are at their best when they are inspired so the Club has programs for all interests! BGC understands how to address the unique needs of middle school students and inspire them to become their best selves! The program includes homework help so that students are more successful in school and a nationally recognized leadership development program, which provides opportunities for kids to make a difference in their community and in the world around them. However, most of all, Boys & Girls Club is a fun, safe place for kids to hang out with their friends and make connections with adult mentors. The membership fee for the Boys & Girls Club's Northwest Middle School program is only \$1 for the entire school year! Members who are 13 and older can even attend Friday teen nights at the Westminster Club (transportation not provided). Contact BGC at middleschool@bgccarrollcounty.org for more information or visit the Boys & Girls Club information table at back to school night! The program is reserved for Northwest Middle students only and spaces are limited!



#### OFFICE HOURS

As a reminder, all exterior doors are locked before, during, and after-school. Our main office hours are 8:00-4:00. Students should not arrive on school grounds until 8:00 am due to lack of supervision.

#### **CAFETERIA/LUNCH EXPECTATIONS**

It's important that students stay in their seats while they are eating lunch. We need to effectively manage the large number of students, maintain an appropriate level of noise, and gain the attention of students immediately in the event of an emergency. If any student is not following this expectation, they will be removed from the cafeteria to eat their lunch and a parent will be contacted. With that being said, I appreciate the students that cooperate daily. Please reiterate this at home – thank you!

#### **STUDENT DROP OFF/PICK UP**

For parent drop-off in the morning and pick-up in the afternoon, please use the side parking lot. Students can be dropped off starting at 8:00 am and must be in their homeroom by 8:20 am. Dismissal begins at 3:00 pm. Please do not park in our front parking lot. We do not want kids walking across the parking lot in front of the buses for their safety.

#### **VISITORS**

Anyone who is visits the school is required to report to the Main Office upon entering the building where they must present a valid photo ID and receive a visitor's pass if necessary.

#### **CELL PHONES**

Personal devices, including cell phones and earbuds/air pods, are to be turned off and away when students enter the building, through dismissal – 8:00-3:25.

#### EARLY DISMISSALS

Please send a note with your child the morning of the early dismissal. The student should bring the note to the office to receive a pass to leave class five minutes prior to the stated pickup time. When picking up your child, <u>you will need</u> <u>to show a valid photo ID</u>. Please include in writing if someone other than legal parent/guardian will be picking up your child. They also must show proper ID.

#### **CHANGE IN DISMISSAL**

If you need to change your student's dismissal procedure, please send a note with your child to school in the morning. We cannot guarantee that students will receive messages if you make a change during the school day. Requests should be made in writing and received by the main office before 11:00 each day. Thank you!

#### ATTENDANCE/ABSENCES

Please e-mail <u>nwsattendance@carrollk12.org</u> or call 410-751-3270 if your child will be absent from school prior to 9:00 am with the reason for the absence. Parents/guardians will receive a phone call and email after 9:00 if the absence is unverified. Thank you!

#### DRESS CODE

The Board of Education recognizes the value of allowing individual student expression as well as the necessity of protecting student health and safety while maintaining an atmosphere conducive



to education. Student dress code procedures must be designed with the goal of balancing these competing interests. All dress code procedures will adhere to health and safety codes and comply with applicable law. Student attire that can be reasonably forecasted to either materially disrupt the educational environment or infringe upon the rights of other students to access and participate in a safe and welcoming educational environment will be prohibited. No procedure will impose dress and grooming rules based on gender in violation of Title IX. Procedures will specifically define ambiguous terms, and examples will be provided when practical. Please see full dress code in the <u>StudentServicesManual.pdf (finalsite.net).</u>

#### PARENT – TEACHER COMMUNICATION

Parents are welcome and encouraged to communicate with teachers, administrators, and support staff. Appointments must be made for teacher conferences through the individual teacher or the team leader. Other effective means of communication are via telephone and e-mail. It is requested that all e-mail communication be in reference to school and/or student information. Forwarded e-mails (junk e-mails) are not appropriate for school communications. We have four planned parent/teacher conferences throughout the school year in the evening. We also send out a weekly (every Friday) Northwest Glance via e-mail with a two-week quick view of our calendar, activities, and other relevant information.

#### **DELIVERIES TO STUDENTS**

Northwest students may not receive deliveries such as flowers, balloons, or food during the school day. However, deliveries for school sponsored activities may be authorized with prior approval of the administration.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

Dances, rec afternoons, and extracurricular activities are a part of the middle school experience. We encourage attendance and participation, but these are privileged events/activities. Students must be in school that day to participate in the event, and we expect students to follow school policies and procedures while in attendance. Students that do not comply with outlined expectations may forfeit their right to participate.

#### **TRANSPORTATION**

Only one AM and one PM stop location is allowed for each transported student. Exceptions may occur only in the case of an emergency or when an extenuating circumstance exists and must be approved by the administration in advance. Bus information can be found on this link. <u>BusRoutes8-4-23.pdf (finalsite.net)</u>

#### FAMILY SUPPORT WEB FORM



CCPS is pleased to announce we have released a new Family Support Web Form to better assist families with Virtual Learning technical issues. You can access the new Support Form via this link: <u>CCPS Family Support Web Form</u> A link to the form is also available on our website <u>Student and</u> Parent Resources - Carroll County Public School District (carrollk12.org).

#### EMERGENCY PROCEDURE CARDS

Each student must have an Emergency Procedure Card on file with the main office. This card must be signed by a parent or guardian. The signature of a stepparent or non-custodial parent is not acceptable. The signed card indicates the names of people who the school may communicate with, either by phone or e-mail in an emergency. This also gives permission for someone to pick up a student ONLY if a parent or guardian is not available in an emergency and has been contacted by the nurse or an administrator. In cases where it is a planned pick-up, a note with the name of the person picking up the student should be given to the office.

#### VACATIONS AND PRE-PLANNED ACTIVITIES

Family vacations during school days are discouraged due to the impact they may have on school performance and loss of instructional time – however, we understand that circumstances arise. Absences for family travel/activities may be excused if the request is made in advance and students will be permitted to make up any missed work. Instructional time and schoolwork such as class participation/discussion or laboratory experiments are simply difficult to make-up. Parents of students already having excessive absences and poor grades need to understand the implications of any extended absences. It is the student's responsibility to request any missing work.

#### SERVICE LEARNING

Amy Paylor is Northwest Middle's service-learning coordinator. She can be contacted at HYPERLINK "mailto:amypaylor@carrollk12.org"<u>amypaylor@carrollk12.org</u>. Students must complete 75 service hours as a graduation requirement during 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. For the latest and greatest Service-Learning information and opportunities, please join the Northwest Service Learning Group in Schoology by searching the name or using the access code: 3WHC-S4VS-8JXRZ.



#### **STAY CONNECTED - HOME ACCESS CENTER (HAC)**

If you have not had an opportunity to set up an account for Home Access Center, this is a great resource to stay up to date on your child's progress in each class. *This is also a great way to check your child's attendance and report any errors.* You can access HAC from the CCPS website; it is a link under the parents' section. HAC is available for parents and legal guardians to login and view information pertaining to their students. Please follow these directions to login to your account:

- Go to the Carroll County Public Schools website at <u>www.carrollk12.org</u> Click on Family Resources and the 'Home Access Center' link. A new page will open; click the 'Request Password' link.
- Enter the email address you provided on your student's emergency card (it will be the account where you
  received this School Messenger email). You will receive an email to that account with a link to a web page. If
  the email message does not appear within several minutes, check your junk mail folder and make sure it
  wasn't delivered there. It will come from <u>donotreply@carrollk12.org</u>.
- 3. Click the link from the email message and follow the instructions on-screen. You will be prompted to answer 3 questions about one of your students. Once you have answered the questions correctly, your password will appear on-screen. Click the link on that page to be taken to the Home Access Center login screen.
- 4. Login using your email address and the password that was displayed on-screen. After logging in, be sure to click 'Profile' in the top right-hand corner and identify a new password for your account.

#### NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL UNEXCUSED TARDY POLICY

Students are to be in homeroom by the 8:20 am bell. We recognize the relationship between consistent attendance and academic achievement. Maintaining consistent attendance includes coming to school on time. If a student is late to school, without an excused reason, Northwest may follow the below actions. Northwest administration has discretion to determine whether a tardy is excused or unexcused. Let's work together to ensure that students come to school on time and are ready to learn.

- Marking Period Consequences
- 1<sup>st</sup> Unexcused Tardy: Verbal Warning
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Unexcused Tardy: Verbal Warning/Parent Contact
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Unexcused Tardy: Minor Referral/Lunch Detention/Parent Contact
- 4<sup>th</sup> and Recurring Unexcused Tardies: Major Referral/Discipline to be determined/Parent Contact

#### DRINKS IN SCHOOL

Only water is permitted during the school day outside of lunch. As a reminder, coffee, lattes, and fountain drinks are not permitted in school. If students bring in these drinks, they will be asked to dispose of them. Students may drink liquids other than water only during lunch, and if it is in a can or plastic bottle and tightly secured. I appreciate your help with this matter.

#### PTO NEWS

*All parents and teachers are welcome!* Please make sure to join us on our Facebook page at Northwest Middle School PTO Group to keep up with the latest announcements. To contact the PTO, email <u>NWMiddlePTO@gmail.com</u>.



This year's executive board members are: **Yvette Rippeon** – President; **Gina Champagne** – President Elect; **Alaina Wood** - Vice President; **Amanda DeWild** – Treasurer; **Nicole Hunsicker** – Secretary

#### **CONSENT AND RELEASE**

**Permission to Photograph, Videotape or Audiotape** - Throughout the school year, the Carroll County Public School System frequently covers school activities and may use your child's photograph, video image, or voice for educational, informational, or public relations purposes, with or without identification by name. If you do not wish to have your child's voice reproduced on tape or to have his/her image appear in such things as a video or a photograph, or on the school or school system website or social media, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians' consent to their children being audiotaped, photographed, videotaped, or having their image placed on a school website or social media by the school system unless such notification is received. There are also occasions when the media cover certain school events (such as when a government leader visits a school). If you do not wish to have your child's name or likeness published by the media, you should address your concerns directly to the school involved so that the media is advised. Please be advised that the school system has no control over the media when they are covering activities such as sporting events and musical programs that are open to the public.

<u>Use of Student Work on Websites or in Publications -</u> There may be times throughout the year when the Carroll County Public School System wishes to display student work on school websites, social media, or in publications. If you do not wish to have your child's art, poetry, writing, etc. appear on school websites, social media, or in publications, please notify the school principal in writing. It is assumed that parents and guardians consent to their child's work being displayed on school websites, social media, or in publications unless such notification is received.



## Cafeteria News and Notes 2023-2024

#### Breakfast and Lunch Service

A variety of breakfast and lunch choices are available daily for your child to enjoy. If you believe your family qualifies for free or reduced-price school meals, applications can be submitted online at <u>www.myschoolapps.com</u>

#### Meal Charge Policy

In the rare event that a student forgets their money or does not have any money remaining on their account, Carroll County Public Schools will allow each student to charge up to two days of breakfasts and lunches. Beyond the two days, the student will be served a complimentary meal of a sandwich and side items until repayment is made. Students must have cash or money on their account to purchase a second meal (breakfast or lunch) or any a la carte items as these cannot be charged. For more information visit www.carrollk12.org

#### Wellness Policy

CCPS is committed to promoting student wellness and assuring that our school meals meet federal nutrition standards. Visit our website <u>www.carrollk12.org</u> to learn more about our policy and triennial assessment.

#### Smart Snacks in Schools

CCPS offers a variety of a la carte items for purchase in the cafeterias. Our a la carte food and beverage items meet the nutritional standards of the Smart Snacks in Schools regulations. Each student has a cafeteria account that they can access with an assigned PIN. To place money on account visit <u>www.myschoolbucks.com</u> or send cash or personal checks made out to your school with your child.

Please visit <u>https://www.carrollk12.org</u> for detailed information on the snacks available in our schools.

#### Free and Reduced Priced Meals

Applications for free and reduced priced meals are accepted throughout the school year. Meal benefits from last school year (2022-2023) will expire on October 16, 2023.

#### APPLY for Meal Benefits online at:

#### www.myschoolapps.com

Meal Benefit Applications may also be obtained from your school or by visiting the CCPS website.

#### Meal Prices

Breakfast Elementary: \$1.50 Secondary: \$1.75 Lunch Elementary: \$2.50 Middle: \$2.75 High: \$3.00

#### Digital Menus

Interactive menus and nutritional information available online! Visit:

https://carrollk12.nutrislice.com or download the Nutrislice app for your iOS or Android

#### Employment

Interested in joining our food services team? Visit our website <u>www.carrollk12.org</u> or call 410-751-3040 for more information.

> THIS INSTITUTION IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER

## Cafeteria News and Notes 2023-2024

Please be sure to join us every day for a delicious, healthy breakfast and lunch. Interactive menus and nutritional information are available online! Visit <u>carrollk12.nutrislice.com</u> or download the Nutrislice app for your iOS or Android device.

#### Meal Account and PIN Information

- Every student who goes through our cafeteria line will use a unique Personal Identification Number (PIN) to
  access his or her account. Parents have the option to add any denomination to the account for the purchase of
  meals and snack items. It is a convenient way to ensure that money is not lost or forgotten during the hectic
  morning rush.
- What is the PIN? Each student has been issued a unique, five-digit PIN. Parents can find their child's PIN in the CCPS Home Access Center (HAC). Once you sign on, the Cafeteria PIN will be located in the emergency section. Please help your child remember their number. It makes the line move faster and ensures that everyone has plenty of time to enjoy their meal. If they do happen to forget the number, the cashier will be able to find it for them.
- How do I put money on the account?
  - Visit <u>www.myschoolbucks.com</u> and set up a free account that allows you to add any value to the cafeteria account with a credit card. (There is a small service provider fee for each transaction.)
  - You can still send in cash or a check to your school's cafeteria. The cafeteria manager will add it to the account. Checks made payable to your child's school.
  - The money added to the account can be used to purchase meals AND snack items.
- Can I monitor what my child is purchasing? Visit <u>www.myschoolbucks.com</u> and set up a FREE account. Once you complete the simple registration process, you can set up low balance alerts and monitor purchases made in the cafeteria.
- What happens to my account at the end of the school year? Money that remains on your child's account will
  carry over from year to year. The account will also automatically transfer to any Carroll County Public School.
  - If your child graduates or no longer attends a CCPS school use this link to let us know if you would like the
    account balance transferred to a sibling, donated, or refunded. <u>https://forms.office.com/r/ieipsp12AQ</u>.

Sending cash or check to school and want to designate fund use? You can use this form.

Student's Name

Homeroom Teacher

Amount Enclosed s

\_\_\_\_Please place All of the money on my child's general account for the purchase of either meals, milk, or snacks.

Please place the money on my child's account, but I want to specify:

for Breakfast and Lunch

for Milk or Snacks

## NORTHWEST MIDDLE SCHOOL RECOMMENDED SUPPLY LIST 2023-2024

6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	7 <sup>th</sup> Grade	8 <sup>th</sup> Grade
2 one inch 3 ring binders (different colors) Handheld pencil sharpener Loose leaf notebook paper 2 packs of Dividers 4 Folders (different colors) 1 Composition book Pencils 1 pack ruled 3x5 Index <u>cards</u> Pens Cap erasers Pencil pouch Glue sticks Highlighter Colored pencils Scissors	4 one inch 3 ring binders (different colors) 2 Packs of dividers Loose leaf notebook paper Pencil pouch Pencils and sharpener Erasers Blue, black, and red pens 1 Composition book 1 Pocket folder 2 Packs of 3 X 5 ruled index cards Glue Stick Highlighter Colored pencils	4 one inch 3 ring binders (different colors) Loose leaf notebook paper Pencils (several packs) Erasers Pens (blue or black) 4 Packs of dividers Highlighter Colored pencils
PE uniforms will be available for purchase the Instrumental Music Students – Reeds, Valve Note to parents: Additional items may be requested at the		ur student's team of teachers. Donations of

**Carroll County Public Library:** Students attending middle school will be doing research projects. To help them we suggest getting a FREE Public Library Card which will get them access to many databases and resources. Visit the CCPL and get your free card or apply online at: <u>https://library.carr.org</u>

\*Revised 6/23

#### ASBESTOS NOTICE

The Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) requires all buildings owned or leased by the Board of Education of Carroll County to prepare, update and make available all asbestos management plans. The building asbestos management plans are available for review at the individual Carroll County school locations and at the Office of Facilities Operations, located at 191 Schaeffer Avenue, Westminster, MD 21157.

Asbestos management plans are required by the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and depict the location, amount, condition, and response action projected for any asbestos containing materials (ACM), if any are located in the school or building.

#### ADA ACCESSIBILITY STATEMENT

Carroll County Public Schools (CCPS) does not discriminate on the basis of disability in employment or the provision of services, programs or activities. Persons needing auxiliary aids and services for communication should contact the Communications Office at 410-751-3020 or publicinfo@carrollk12.org, or write to Carroll County Public Schools, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157. Persons who are deaf, hard of hearing, or have a speech disability, may use Relay or 7-1-1. Please contact the school system at least one (1) week in advance of the date the special accommodation is needed.

Information concerning the Americans with Disabilities Act is available from the Director of Facilities Management, (410) 751-3177, or the Communications Officer, (410) 751-3020, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157.

#### NOTICE OF NON-DISCRIMINATION

The Board of Education of Carroll County does not engage in discrimination that is unlawful or contrary to Maryland State Department of Education guidance on the basis of age, color, genetic information, marital status, mental or physical disability, ancestry or national origin, race, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression.

The Board of Education of Carroll County is firmly committed to creating equal employment and educational opportunities for all persons by providing an environment that supports optimal academic achievement and productive work and is free from any form of unlawful discrimination, including access to school facilities, educational programs, and extracurricular activities.

The following person has been designated to handle inquiries regarding the nondiscrimination policies: Director of Human Resources, 125 North Court Street, Westminster, Maryland 21157, (410) 751-3070.