Fifth Grade Parent/Guardian Orientation

Melican Middle School March 21, 2024 6:30 p.m.



Welcome and Introductions

Michelle Karb, Principal

Gretchen Bean, Assistant Principal

Sandi Davel, Purple Team Leader

Christine Mesite, Orange Team Leader

Lucas LaVoie, Band Director

Lauren O'Neil, Guidance Counselor



Topics

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- Sixth Grade Orientation
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Welcome to Middle School!



Middle School - Different From Elementary School

Elementary School vs. Middle School

 from 4 neighborhood schools to 1 middle school (188 sixth graders next year)

<u>Assistant Principal</u> - Gretchen Bean

Guidance Counselors - All students are assigned the same guidance counselor. They are connected to their guidance counselor for sixth, seventh, and eighth grade.

<u>Guidance Counselor</u> for next year's 6th Grade: Lauren O'Neil

Sixth Grade Classes and Schedule

- Monday through Friday Schedule.
- Each day has 7 or 8 class periods plus Lunch and Brain Break (recess).
- Homeroom begins at 7:43 and first Period begins at 7:50.
- Dismissal is at 2:10.
- After School Clubs and After School Help - 2:10-3:10.
- Late Bus T, W, Th.



Class	Number per week
Math	6
English Language Arts	5
Social Studies	5
Science	5
ELA Composition	3
Language Exploratory	2
Phys. Ed.	2
Technology Engineering	1
Art	1
Music	1
Library Science/Computers	1
Health	1
SELF	1
Band/Flex/Learning Center	2
Chorus/Flex/Learning Center	2

Sections - 2024-2025

<u>6th Grade</u> - each student is assigned to one of the following <u>heterogeneous sections</u>: 6-1, 6-2, 6-3, 6-4, 6-5, 6-6, 6-7, 6-8, and 6-9.

Students have half of their classes in their <u>sections</u> (ex. 6-1 has ELA together, science together, social studies together, etc.)

Students are mixed up (not with their sections) for math class and most <u>specials</u> (art, music, etc.).

Band and Chorus - students are not with their sections. Students may take Band and/or Chorus, or neither.

We have 2 levels of <u>math classes</u> for 6th grade:

- 1. <u>Grade 6 Math</u> Grade 6 Math Standards
- 2. <u>Grade 6 Accelerated Math</u> Grade 6 Math Standards PLUS Half of Grade 7 Math Standards (1.5 years of math).
 - If students successfully complete Grade 6 Accelerated, they will take Grade 7 Accelerated in 7th Grade (the second half of Grade 7 Math and all of Grade 8 Math). Then, in 8th Grade, they will take Algebra, a 9th Grade course.
 - A student may move from Grade 6 Math in 6th Grade to to Grade 7 Accelerated in 7th Grade if they are ready. Then, in 8th Grade, they will take Algebra, a 9th Grade course.
 - Students may move into an Accelerated Math Course when/if they are ready.

Special Education

- Inclusion support in the general education classroom plus Learning Center and/or other supports
- Language Based Program
- STEPS, etc. Therapeutic Programs
- TLC (Transitional Learning Center)
- Hybrid Programs customized for students



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Student Schedule with:

22-23 Year

Schedule Matrix View # *

No Band

No Chorus

No Learning Centers

STUDENT NAME

Ocunselor: NAME 6 14426

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Student Schedule with:

- 2 Learning Centers
- 2 Flex Blocks

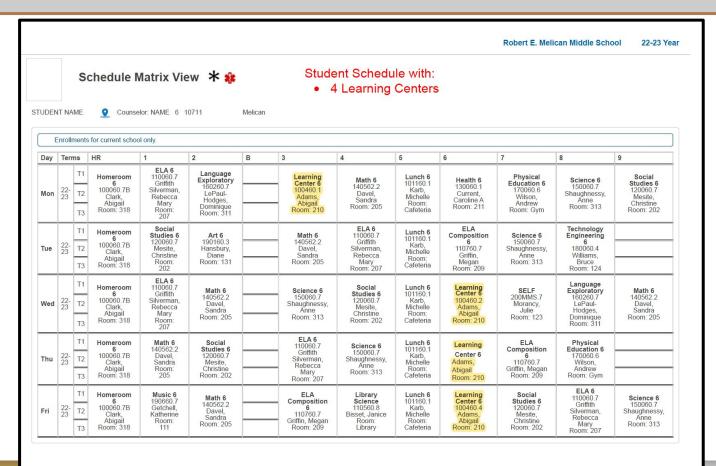
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Ocunselor: NAME 6 14112

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Student Schedule with:

Band

• 2 Learning Centers

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Ocunselor: NAME 6 15802

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Student Schedule with:

· Band

· Chorus

STUDENT NAME

Ocunselor: NAME 6 14391

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Supports (Special Education, ELD, Etc.)

- Principal
- Assistant Principal
- 3 Guidance Counselors (1 teaches SELF Class)
- School Psychologist
- 2 Adjustment Counselors
- Behavior Specialist
- 7 Special Education Teachers
- 2 English Language Development Teachers
- Literacy Intervention Program
- Math Intervention Program
- Therapy Dogs
- Students on IEPs, 504s, etc.



School (guidance) counselor: Mrs. O'Neil

Individual and small group meetings (during free periods, lunch, before/after school)

All students have access to their school counselor

SELF (Social Emotional Learning Foundations)
Class:

Classroom lessons on Social Emotional Learning (SEL) topics

Mrs. Morancy, Counselor

Working collaboratively with teachers, administrators, and other support staff to meet the social, emotional, and academic needs of our students

Helping students develop healthy strategies for:

- -Communication
- -Relationships
- -Self-care and coping strategies
- -Independence and self-advocacy
- -How to be a respectful and respected member of a community (school, family, social, digital, etc)
- -Connections between physical and mental health

MMS Bands

Stage Band





The MMS Bands are a Family

- In the MMS Bands, everyone participates and everyone is important!
- Band is a family. We support each other in and outside of the band room. Many students make lifelong friends in band.
- The MMS Band is open to anyone looking to learn an instrument, even if they have never played one before.



Chamber Ensembles







Chorus

MMS 6th Grade Chorus is a great way to get involved, make friends, have fun, and most of all, SING!

2 Concerts per year & lots of opportunities to make music! Come join the fun!

Extracurricular Ensembles:

Cambiata - Grades 6-7-8

6th Grade Select Chorus

7th & 8th Grade Select Chorus





Flex Block and Learning Center

- Flex runs opposite Band and Chorus.
- Students may participate in Band and/or Chorus, or they may participate in neither.
- Flex is a period for independent reading, working on homework, receiving extra help from teachers, receiving math or reading interventions, etc.
- Students on IEPs may be scheduled for Learning Center instead Flex. Learning Center is led by the child's Special Education liaison/teacher, and is used to work toward meeting IEP goals or receiving support with academic tasks.



Preparations for Next Year

- Administration met with Student Support Services Director and Assistant Directors
- Special Education Teachers and Guidance Counselor met with 5th Grade Staff
- Special Education and 504 Transition Meetings Spring 2024
- Guidance Counselor will connect late May/early June
- 5th graders visit and tour Melican June



Sixth Grade Transition

During the First Several Weeks of School...

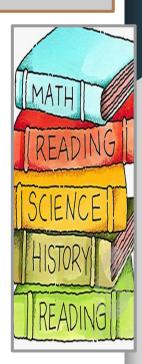
- Schedules & Hallway Passes
- Practicing School Routines and Procedures (Lunch Room, Brain Break, Bathrooms, Transitions)
- Developing and utilizing organizational strategies (Binder organization, Agenda Books, Homework Folders)
- Classroom expectations
- Navigating Canvas
- Advocating & Communicating with Teachers



Sixth Grade Curriculum Highlights

Curriculum	Highlights
Social Studies	Basic geography & map skills, rise of civilizations, and first ancient cultures (such as Mesopotamia & Egypt).
Science	Structure & Function - Fossils, cells, waves, basic chemistry
Math	Geometry, Algebraic Expressions & Equations, Data & Statistics, Fractions & Decimals, Ratios & Rates, Coordinate Plane
ELA	Novels, Memoirs, Poetry, Personal Narratives & Short Stories
Specials	Language Exploratory, ELA Composition, Technology Engineering, Music, Phys Ed, Library Science, Art, Health, SELF

All subject areas incorporate technology, reading, writing, speaking, & listening skills through independent & collaborative learning.



Before and After School Activities

We have 40+ clubs and activities.

















Communication

Melican Memo (email) - Mondays at 6:00 a.m.

School Website

Canvas

Emails

Phone Calls

Homeroom Teacher

Guidance Counselor



Sixth Grade Student Orientation - Save the Date

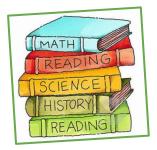
















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Has visite Europe	Was born in another state	Is an only	Has a birthday this month
Plays a sport	Speaks another language	Favorite color is yellow	Read more than 1 book this summer
Has been skydiving	Loves to draw	Loves to cook	Has a pet that isn't a log or a cat

Thank You!!



Fifth Grade Video

Created by Student Council

We look forward to working with you!!!