



# Manhasset Middle School

## Survival Guide

For more  
information  
please see the  
Middle School Coun-  
seling Website:

[https://www.manhassetsschools.org/  
domain/784](https://www.manhassetsschools.org/domain/784)

### Getting to class on time

- Teachers understand the confusion of getting to class for the first week or so, but 4 minutes is plenty of time to get to class.
- Time yourself with a stopwatch on your phone.
- Most students carry their backpack during the day to save time.
- Go to locker before lunch instead of between each class– your locker assignment can be found at the top of your schedule.

### Lunch

- You will receive your schedule in late August so you will find out who is in your lunch before school starts.
- Many juniors/senior's go into town so the cafeteria may not be crowded.
- JR/SR sit in a separate section.

### Homework

- You will be assigned several different teachers this year.
- Some teachers will give you a week's work so you can plan your time
- Use your school issued planner to help plan your time and track short term and long term assignments. This will help you to manage your time.
- Always check in with the teachers to see if you handed in all of your work.
- Get a pass to the library at lunch or during a free period.
- ALWAYS do your homework– you will be hurting yourself if you don't.

### Getting Good Grades

- Do the best you can!
- Many teachers are available to help you before school 7:30/7:45 am or after school.
- You can go to the labs in the morning – Math lab, Language lab, etc.
- MS Grades = A, B, C, D, F
- You have lots of opportunities to raise your grades if you get one poor grade .....don't worry.
- Take good notes.
- Plan out your work especially if you play sports or clubs.

### Binders

- We recommend that you divide your subjects into two binders – morning/ afternoon.
- Once you are comfortable – do what works best for you.
- As long as you're organized, it will work for you.
- Your class schedule lets you know what books to carry and when.
- Heavy text books stay home for the most part.

### Sports/Activities

- Take advantage of the variety of sports and activities available to you.
- Search the school website for choices.
- There is a 5:30 pm late bus to take you home.
- Equipment that is brought to school gets locked in a storage closet during school hours.
- Lock your lockers!

### Missing School

- HW Buddies: In the beginning of the year, coordinate with someone in your class and exchange contact information. This will help you obtain work when you are absent from school.
- If sick for more than 3 days, parents should call the health office and the attendance office. They will notify the counseling office. A parent can pick up the work.
- Teachers are good about making up work, as long as you communicate.
- Let them know you care and are taking responsibility! So when you get back to school visit each teacher **7:30 am** or email them to discuss plan.

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