# Welcome to Liberty Middle School

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## Who's Who at LMS

#### **Main Office Staff:**

- Mr. Xavier Fitzgerald Principal
- Mr. Stephen Olshalsky Assistant Principal
- Mrs. Janet Coppola Administrative Assistant
- Ms. Sendi Mendoza Administrative Assistant

#### **School Support Staff:**

- Ms. Rose Tan School Nurse
- Mr. Aaron Carr Security Personnel

#### **7th Grade Team Leaders:**

- Mr. William Dowd
- Ms. Nancy Silva

#### **School Counseling Staff:**

- Mrs. Lauren Volpe Grade 7 Counselor
- Mrs. Stephanie Bryson Grade 8 Counselor
- Mr. Frank Urgiles- Student Assistance Counselor
- Ms. Denise Lambert Administrative Assistant

#### **Child Study Team:**

- Ms. Dawn Raboy -Social Worker
- Ms. Blenda Alexandre School Psychologist
- Mr. Todd Cohen- LDT-C
- TBD-BCBA



## **Transportation Guidelines**

- Middle School Students living at least 2.0 miles from school are eligible for busing.
- Students who live on designated hazardous roads are eligible for busing even if they do not meet the state mileage requirements.
- Students with IEPs are eligible for transportation services as specified in their IEP.
- Students should arrive at bus stop at least ten minutes before pick-up time.
- Bus information can be found in Parent Portal Program.
- Students can only ride their assigned bus.
  - In case of emergency please contact the Transportation Dept. to make arrangement for the ridership of another bus.
- A student will only be picked up/dropped off at the stop designated on their Bus Pass.
- The bus company can only make designated stops that the driver will follow, so please do not request an alternate stop.

## **Transportation Guidelines**

### Practice School Bus Safety every day by reminding students of these rules:

- Stand only in the designated school bus stop.
- Keep the aisle clear and stay in your seat.
- Use seat belts at all times.
- No Horseplay.
- The Bus Driver is in full charge of the bus and responsible for maintaining order, any
  violation of student code of conduct on the school bus to and from school will be
  written up by the driver and the violation will be adjudicated using the student code of
  conduct and bus behavior guidelines.

\*\* Bus ridership is a privilege and can be revoked by Administration for violating the guidelines of the bus company and the LMS student code of conduct.

(Cameras are in use on every bus.)



## **Your School Day...**

- Students are dropped off by 8:00 AM
  - 7th Graders enter through the auditorium entrance
- Class begins at 8:10 AM and ends at 2:53 PM
  - There are 7 periods per day / 55 minutes per period / 3 minutes travelling time between each period
- Students attend 4 academic classes, 1 PE / Health Period on A/B schedule, 2 related arts classes on A/B schedule
  - Lunch is 27.5 minutes per day (4th Period) / Advisory Class is 27.5 minutes per day (4th Period)
- Students go to their lockers to at the beginning and end of the school day
  - Team Leaders will outline other times that students can visit lockers
- Backpacks must be kept in a locker and cell phones must be turned off AND in your locker
  - All headphones, earbuds and personal speakers are also off and in the locker
  - All lockers must be locked by a school issued lock at all times



## **Sample Student Schedule**

	Exp	Trm	Crs-Sec	Course Name
A days/B days	1(A)	20-21	FAM372-1	Chorus Grade 7
<ul> <li>Physical Education &amp; Chorus/Orchestra/Band/Art are full year classes that run on an A/B schedule.</li> <li>You will have one on an A day and the other on a B day.</li> <li>A = Odd, B=Even</li> </ul>	1(B)	20-21	PHM272-12	Phys Ed/Health 7
	2(A-B)	20-21	MAM171-1	Pre-Algebra
	3(A)	S1	CTM172-5	Computer App 7
	B)	20-21	WLM271-2	French Grade 7
	4(A-B)	20-21	AVM272-8	Lunch/Advisory 7B
	5(A-B)	20-21	LAM272-3	English Language Arts 7
	6(A-B)	20-21	SCM172-3	Science 7
	7(A-B)	20-21	SSM172-9	Social Studies 7

- STEM & Computer Apps are semester classes.
- You go everyday for a half the year.



### **Your Schedule...**

## **Computer Apps & STEM**

- Students attend a different related arts class each semester period
  - Computer Applications Mrs. DeMatteo
  - > STEM Mr. LaValle



### **Your Schedule...**

### **Physical Education**

- Students take P.E. classes on either odd days or even days.
- LMS has a state-of-the-art gym facility.
- Students must wear proper footwear for gym participation.
- PE STAFF Mr. Jacob, Mr. Appello, Mrs. Dellaventura, Ms. Carissimo

### **Your Schedule...**

### **Related Arts**

- On the opposite day, students are enrolled in either Band, Chorus, Orchestra, or Art
- Our teachers are:
  - ➤ Ms. Lopez and Mrs. Villalobos / Art
  - Mr. Krewer / Band
  - **➤** Ms. Tammone / Chorus
  - Ms. Solino / Orchestra



### **Lunch Time!!!**

- Lunch is 27.5 minutes long.
- You can buy lunch at school or bring your own.
- All students will attend advisory/ intervention/ enrichment period for 27.5 minutes with outlined student and computer directed activities.
- No food delivery services or outside vendor lunch brought in by parents is allowed such as McDonald's, Panera, Burger King, Pizza Hut etc....
- No food or drink is to be brought out of the Cafe and no food is to be stored from the Cafe in the student locker.

Water bottles are allowed in the classroom. We request that the water bottles be made of clear plastic. There are refillable water fountains located throughout the building.

## What is Advisory Class

\*\*\*Advisory is similar to a Homeroom class in the middle of the day

- 1. Social Emotional, Restorative Practice, and Character Education lessons
- 2. Direct Teacher Tutorial time
- 3. Locker Organization/ Agenda Book check
- 4. Daily Announcements
- 5. Drop Everything And Read (D.E.A.R.)
- 6. iReady Math / Paper On-Line Tutorial
- 7. Counseling and Counseling Groups (Identified by School Counselors)
- 8. Teacher Supervised Activities



## **Sports**

<u>Fall</u>

**Boys Soccer** 

**Girls Soccer** 

**Cross Country** 

**Winter** 

**Boys Basketball** 

**Girls Basketball** 

Cheerleading

Wrestling

**Spring** 

**Softball** 

**Baseball** 

**Track and Field** 





## Clubs, Organizations, Activities

- Academically Speaking
- > Art Club
- Audio Visual Aides
- > Chamber Chorus
- Culture Club
- Drama Club
- Environmental
- > Activism/Garden Club
- > Feminism Empowerment Club
- Gay Straight Alliance (GSA)
- > Helping Hands
- ➤ Italian Club
- Jazz Band
- > Math Club

- > Newspaper Club
- Peer Tutoring
- > Poetry Club
- Science Club
- > Select Strings
- SOUL-Mentoring/Majority Ambassadors
- > STEM Club
- Strategic Gaming Club
- > Student Council
- > Totally Tech
- Weight Room Club
- > Yearbook



## **Field Trips and Events**

### 8th Grade Field Trips

- Medieval Times
- Kalahari Waterpark
- Dinner Dance at Wilshire Grand

### **7th Grade Field Trips**

- Liberty Science Center
- FunPlex Arcade and Waterpark
- 7th grade EOY BBQ and Field Day

### **PTA**

**Back to School Dance, Movie Nights, Game Night....and more** 

### **Student Council**

Seasonal Dances, Talent Show, Spirit Weeks....and more



## **Cell Phone Policy**

- No student will be allowed to use a cell phone during the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 2:53 p.m.
- Cell phones must be off and in the locker at all times

#### **CONSEQUENCES**

 $\underline{\it First~Offense} 
ightharpoonup {\sf WARNING}$  - Staff will confiscate the Phone and return to student at the end of the period. Student must put cell phone in locker.

<u>Second Offense</u> → PHONE CONFISCATED AND TURNED INTO THE MAIN OFFICE. Student will sign for and pick up the phone at the end of the school day in the main office. Parent/Guardian contacted by staff who confiscated device.

 $\underline{Third\ Offense} o PHONE\ CONFISCATED\ AND\ TURNED\ INTO\ THE\ MAIN\ OFFICE.\ Parent/Guardian\ will\ sign$  for and pick up phone from the main office at end of the school day. 1 Day General Detention.

<u>Subsequent Offenses</u> → PHONE CONFISCATED AND TURNED INTO THE MAIN OFFICE. Parent or Guardian will sign for and pick up the phone from the main office at the end of the school day. 3-5 Days General Detention.





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