

2018-19 Sixth Grade Middle School Tips

First Day Jitters

All rising sixth graders anticipate what middle school will be like. New experiences are naturally both exciting and anxiety producing. What you are feeling is normal. If some of the nervous feelings are a little too intense, here are a couple of tips to help alleviate some of those jitters. Once school starts, a lot of those intense feelings will go away, and a sense of pride will come once you notice you are conquering middle school.

Tour the School

First, taking a couple of school tours helps alleviate some of the jitters. Walking your schedule and knowing where things are is really helpful.

If possible, try to take two tours:

1. Come with your parents at a separate time and walk your schedule once or twice.
2. You will take a tour with a student ambassador during orientation.

Lockers

You will receive your locker and lock during orientation. You may place your items in your locker at that time. Write your combination and locker number in your assignment book. You may want to keep at home too.

You may not put stickers, tape or use any adhesive in or on your locker.

Items placed in or on your locker should be only magnetic.

Here are some tips for organizing lockers.

A shelf insert helps to maximize space.

Organize books in an upright position.

Use a magnet to attach a copy of your schedule to the inside of your locker.

Write your first and last name, & year, on the back of the front cover on your textbooks.

Locks

All locks have the same pattern;

1. Begin by turning the dial to the right at least one full time around.
2. Turn right to the first number.
3. Turn left, PASS the second number, continue turning left then stop on it the second time.
4. Turn right and stop at the third number.

You will practice at orientation. If you need help the first couple of weeks, someone will help you and it is not a problem.

Cafeteria

Menus and information from the cafeteria are posted on the web site. You may make payments on their account on mypaymentplus.com and use their school student number to add to the account. If an account is not already established, you may want to send cash or bring lunch for the first 5 days until all is settled. You may reach the cafeteria through Cheryl Brown, cbrown@stlukesmobile.com

Dates to Know

1. Wednesday, August 8, 2018 == 6th Grade STUDENT Orientation

12:15-4:00pm

Drop off student in student parking lot.

Casual Attire- no uniforms

6:00 pm == Sixth Grade Parent Meeting

2. Thursday, August 9, 2018 == First day of School

- a. Chapel Dress- (full uniform)
- b. Write your first and last name in your blazer and on the back of your ties.
- c. Students will take pictures for yearbooks.
- d. Report to your homeroom class.
- e. If you would like to have a snack before dismissal, please bring one from home. Lunch will not be served since it is a noon dismissal.
- f. Sixth grade summer reading is due Monday, August 13.
- g. The tardy bell rings every morning at 8:05
- h. Come each day with a smile. It is going to be a great year!!!
- i. After meeting in homeroom, we will have the **6th Grade Welcome Walk** to theater (parents may want to stay to watch and photograph)
- j. NOON dismissal

3. Friday, August 10, 2018 == Half Day, Noon Dismissal

6th Grade Homerooms

Mrs. Duke- room 306

Mrs. Strobe- room 308,

Mrs. Bryant- Math, Mrs. Duke- English and Read/Write, Ms. Strobe- Science

Mr. Womack- Geography