

Dear TMMS families,

Thank you for choosing TMMS for 2018-2019 school year. Enclosed you will find valuable information about what to expect during the 2018-2019 school year, as well as summer homework assignments. If you have any questions please feel free to contact one of the TMMS teachers over the summer. We will periodically check email throughout the summer but please keep in mind that you may not receive a response till August 1st.

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School Day Hours

Arrival

6th, 7th years & 8th years will begin their classes at 8:30. We appreciate all family's dedication to arriving on time; **attendance will be taken at 8:30 am**. Students are allowed in the classroom as early as 8:20 am.

Dismissal

Students will be dismissed at 3:30 every day. Students who are not picked up in the middle school pick up area by 4:00 pm will be escorted to After Care.

6th, 7th & 8th Money Making Opportunities

All students will need to raise money over the summer to put toward their beginning of the year overnight trip. Sixth and seventh grade students will need to raise \$120.00 for their overnight trip to Camp Oro Quay on August 6 - 7, 2018, while 8th grade students will need to raise \$130 for their overnight trip to Mesa Verde, Colorado on August 8 – 10, 2018. This is a wonderful opportunity for your students to learn the value of money and how to work towards a goal. This independence is strongly encouraged in our environment. The funds that are raised over the summer should be brought to school in the form of a check made out to TMES the week of August 1st. A log can be kept and turned in the first week of school. These trips serve as major community building trips; students will write their community agreements, sign their contracts and stretch themselves to build new relationships and try new things.

6th, 7th & 8th Summer Homework

At TMMS, we have high expectations of the students and are always pleased when they rise to meet them. Since middle school is such an incredible time of change, we ask students to practice their skills over the vacation so that they return to school ready to learn.

Language Arts

6th 2 free choice novels

7th 3 free choice novels

8th 4 free choice novels

Math

Many students have completed a summer Khan Academy with success over the summer.

Entering 6th grade should have all multiplication facts memorized up to 12 x 12 and should be able to do long division. Entering 7th grade should be able to do long division fluently and add, subtract, multiply and divide proper fractions fluently. Entering 8th grade students will need to know how to add, subtract, multiply and divide signed integers. Please contact Ms. Alissa with any concerns.

Physical Activity

All students should do a physical activity at least four times a week for at least 30 minutes a session. Students should keep a log of their physical activity. This log is included in the back of this packet. Students should warm up and cool down after their workouts to improve flexibility and reduce muscle soreness. Students need to focus on staying in shape and eating a healthy diet. Please encourage your students to find joy in this time and maybe even join them!

TMMS Start of the Year Conference

For many reasons, we need to meet with you and your student before the year begins. Please note that we will hold a start of school conference immediately before school begins to review summer earnings, math and reading goals and physical activity logs. During this time, we will also set goals for the upcoming school year and have you sign permission forms. You will be contacted about your scheduled time during the week of July 30th – August 4th. Please contact as soon as possible about any summer scheduling conflicts.