

**Welcome to the Park Ridge
Middle School
Parent/Student Orientation
May 16, 2017**

<http://highschool.parkridge.k12.nj.us>



Meeting Objectives

- **Introduce Students and Parents to Administration / Teachers**
- **Provide Information on: Student Expectations, Academics, Athletics, Clubs and Support Services.**
- **Give an opportunity for questions and answers**
- **Provide you with real 7th grade student feedback**
- **Conduct tours of the building and its facilities**
- **Send you home with a sense of comfort and confidence for the start of your Middle School Career!**

Seventh Grade Orientation

➤ **Introduction to Park Ridge High School**

- Proud of our accomplishments both on the academic and athletic levels
- Programs that accommodate all ability levels and activities that address all interests
- Excited to be moving our academics even further into the 21st Century



7th Grade Bell Schedule

Period	Time
Warning Bell	7:45am
Homeroom	7:50-7:56
1/2	7:56-8:40
3/4	8:44-9:28
5/6	9:32-10:16
7/8	10:20-11:04
Lunch (9)	11:08-11:32
10/11	11:36-12:20
12/13	12:24-1:08
14/15	1:12-1:56
16/17	2:00-2:44

Seventh Grade Team

- Science - Mrs. Kane
- English - Mrs. McElrath
- Social Studies - Mrs. Avery
- Math - Mrs. Martucci
- Special Education - Mrs. Meyer
- Special Education - Mrs. Maskin

Seventh Grade Team

English

Mathematics

Science

Social Studies

Team



- Period 7/8 (Exploratory) Reading 7, Math 7, Information Literacy 7 and Art 7

- Period 10/11 Vocal Music/Musical Theater 7 or Band (year long)

- Period 10/11 Problem Solving 7, Speech and Drama 7

(semester long courses)

- Physical Education/Health

- World Language (Spanish, French, German)



Guidance

Mrs. Saykin Ext. 5503

- Scheduling
- Student/Teacher Concerns
- Student/Student Concerns
- Parent/Teacher Concerns
- Disciplinary Reports
 - Grades/Interims
 - Interviews
- Standardized Testing

Special Services

- Case Managers
 - Cathy Nalesnik LDT/C, Supervisor ext. 1303
 - Dr. Nicole Porta, School Psychologist ext. 1302
 - Cora Bautista LDT/C, ext. 1304
- Services to Classified Students
- Teacher Implementation / Compliance of the IEP
- Consultants to Teachers: Social, Academic, & Behavioral Issues
- Consultation with Guidance (IEP Related)
- Parent Questions directed to:
 - Mainstream Teacher
 - Special Education Teacher
 - Case Manager

Middle School Sports

SPORTS

Fall

Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, and Volleyball

Winter

Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball, and Bowling

Spring

Baseball, Softball, and Track

CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

ROBOTICS CLUB

BRAIN BUSTERS

WOMEN'S CHOIR

MARCHING BAND

MATH CLUB

LITERARY MAGAZINE (*STEPPING STONES*)

MIDDLE SCHOOL DRAMA

MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

MIDDLE SCHOOL YEARBOOK

ECOLOGY CLUB

REACT

Supporting the 1:1 Laptop Program

- Support students in making the shift from seeing technology as a device for entertainment to a device for productivity
- Demonstrate a genuine interest in what your student is doing on the laptop. Ask questions and request that they show you his or her work often.
- Ensure care of the laptop and its use at all times
 - Laptops should be stored in a locked locker when they are not in use at school
 - Students will need two combination locks – one for the hall locker and one for the gym/athletic locker

Technology Handbook

Outlines district policy and procedures for using the laptops both at school and at home:

- General Rules and Guidelines for Acceptable Use
- Damaged or Lost Equipment
- Laptop Insurance Program
- Technology Discipline

Refer to this resource as questions arise

Laptop Program Requirements

In order for a student to receive a laptop, a parent/guardian must:

- ✓ Review the Technology Handbook with your child/children (online)
- ✓ Sign the Laptop Agreement Form and Acceptable Use Contract (online)
- ✓ Monitor student use and ensure proper care of the laptop at home by setting rules/expectations for laptop use
- ✓ Ensure the return of the laptop and all accessories at the end of each school year or before withdrawal from school

Laptop Distribution

Pending paperwork completion, laptops will be distributed during the summer:

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| ✓ Tuesday, August 29th | 1:00 pm - 3:30 pm |
| ✓ Wednesday, August 30th | 11:00 am - 2:00 pm |
| ✓ Thursday, August 31st | 8:00 am - 11:00 pm |

Technology

PowerSchool Parent Access

- Grades & Attendance

Schoology Parent Access

- Schoolwork, Homework, General Class Updates, Class Documents

Attendance

Parents must contact the attendance office if their child is:

- Absent for the Entire Day
- Early Dismissal

The only excused absences according to state guidelines are religious holidays and take your child to work day. All other absences are considered unexcused.

Students are permitted 2 tardies to school or each individual class. On the third and each subsequent tardy disciplinary action will result.

Dress Code

- Hats or other head gear are not permitted
- Jackets are not permitted
- No cut off shorts or garments with holes
- Shorts or skirts must be fingertip length
- Shirts must cover the under garments at all times and the abdomen may not be exposed.
- Clothing which depicts vulgar/offensive pictures or statements, clothing with alcohol, drug or other inappropriate messages/advertisements.
- Any violation will result in a parent needing to bring in appropriate clothing before the child can return to their regularly scheduled classes.

Student Guidelines for Success

- ✓ Eat breakfast
- ✓ Come to school ready to learn
- ✓ Be organized
- ✓ Be prepared (notebook, pen, pencil, laptop)
- ✓ Strive for excellence
- ✓ Be an advocate for yourself
- ✓ Get extra help from your teacher when needed
- ✓ Find a quiet place to complete your homework
- ✓ Get a good night's rest

Parental Guidelines for Success

- Monitor outside influences on time
- Call if concerns arise
- Check for the completion of homework on a daily basis.
- Be supportive
- Review interim reports and quarterly reports with your child.

Information

- For additional information:

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Additional Student Tours

9:00am and 1:00pm

Monday, August 21

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Thursday, August 24