



# Beginning of Year Information 2018-2019

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Welcome to 6th grade at Apex Friendship Middle School! We are excited about the coming year, and we are looking forward to working with you and your child.

Middle school offers many new experiences for students, especially in the first few weeks. As a result, we will spend time helping our students acclimate themselves to Apex Friendship Middle School to ensure a smooth and enjoyable transition. During the first week of school, your child will learn the rules and policies at school. We will spend time to ensure that every child understands what is expected while he or she is on our campus. We ask that parents reinforce these lessons at home.

## Teachers

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## Subject

English Language Arts  
Math  
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Science  
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## Agendas

Each student will be provided with an agenda at the beginning of the school year. Agendas include a behavior card\* to track behaviors during class and transitions. Please look over your student's behavior card with him/her each week. *\*A sample of the behavior card will be shown at orientation.*

Homework assignments are posted daily in each classroom. Students should write the assignments in their agendas at the beginning of every class period. We ask that you help your child learn to use this valuable organization tool. Assignments are also posted through the team website (link provided at orientation).

Students are required to carry their school agendas to every class (even electives) every day. The agenda will also house your child's lunch number, locker combination, computer logins, and other personal information. It is very important that students use and keep up with their agendas.

## Parent Communication

Parents will receive weekly emails with essential information for each core subject. Please be sure to sign up for the weekly email at orientation. Parents not present at orientation can email one of the team teachers to learn how to sign up. The best way to contact the team teachers is by email. We will get back to you within 24 hours during the school week.

## Parent Conferences

The designated time for conferences is (1:45-2:45pm). Please contact the team teachers if you would like to schedule a conference at any point during the school year.

## Homeroom

Students will report to homeroom at the beginning of each day. During this time, teachers complete attendance and distribute necessary handouts, forms, etc. Students are to empty their backpacks into their lockers **prior** to homeroom. Students should keep their backpacks in their lockers during the day – *no backpacks in class*. If students plan to get breakfast from the cafeteria, they must report to the cafeteria immediately upon arrival on campus.

## Daily Schedule

7:45 – 8:14	Student Arrival/Locker Time/Homeroom	11:55 – 12:23	Lunch
8:15 – 9:13	Core 1	12:27 – 1:25	Core 4
9:17 – 9:47	Smart Block (Exploratory Enrichment)	1:29 – 2:11	Elective 1
9:51 – 10:49	Core 2	2:15 – 2:57	Elective 2
10:53 – 11:51	Core 3		