

Dear Parents/Guardians & 6th Grade Students,

Greetings from the 6th Grade Team!

This year the 6th Grade students will cycle between two core teachers. One core teacher for English Language Arts (ELA), one core teacher for Social Studies & Science, and one core teacher for Mathematics

Welcome back! My name is **Ms. Nicole Palazzolo**, I will be your child's **English Language Arts (ELA)** teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. I am sincerely looking forward to working with your child(ren) this year. We will work together so that every student becomes a better Reader, Writer, Speaker & Listener in ELA. If you ever have a question or concern, don't hesitate to contact me. I can be reached on ClassDojo, by leaving a message with the office, or sending in a note.

Hello! My name is **Ms. Keisha Howard** and I will be your child's 6th grade **Math** teacher for the 2022-2023 school year. I hope you enjoyed the summer and are ready to start the new school year. This year we will have the opportunity to create online interactive notebooks to use as a study guide, work in small groups, and track our individual progress in a student data folder. I look forward to getting to know each student and family throughout the upcoming year and wish you all much success!

Hello! My name is **Mr William Blomberg**, I will be your child's **Science & Social Studies** teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. I can't wait to meet your child and be their teacher this year. We will be learning about earth processes, space, and various cultures around the world, both modern and ancient. We will be engaging in various experiments to make learning fun and memorable for our students. If you need anything, I can be reached on ClassDojo.

To get the school year off and running, the following supplies are required. Please make an effort to send these supplies by Friday, September 12, 2022.

- Chromebook with charger
- 4 Marble/Composition Notebook (2 ELA; 1 Science/Social Studies, 1 Math)
- 2 Earbuds/headphones compatible with chromebooks
- 1 journal (ELA)
- 4 Folders (one for each subject area)
- 1 Package of Crayola Markers (personal use)
- 1 Package of Colored Pencils (personal use)
- 2 Small glue sticks (Math)
- 1 Small Kid Scissor (Math)
- 1 Small Pencil Sharpener (FOR HOME USE ONLY)
- 1 Package of Loose Leaf Paper
- Copy Paper (one for each teacher)
- Soft Pencil Case
- 2 - 3 Boxes of Tissues (submitted to HOMEROOM teacher)
- 3 Clorox/Lysol Wipes (submitted to HOMEROOM teacher)

- Hand Sanitizer (submitted to HOMEROOM teacher)
- 3-5 Sharpened Pencils DAILY.

Please come to school with sharpened pencils each day. Sharpening pencils in class is disruptive and takes away from instructional time. Students may use mechanical pencils, as long as they don't play with them or the lead. Pens will not be used.

*** TAKE HOME/BRING BACK FOLDER: Your child will create a special folder known as the "TAKE HOME/BRING BACK FOLDER". Homework sheets (HW), school letters or anything else which will need to be brought home will go in this folder. Any signed notices, completed HW assignment sheets, parent/guardian notes, etc should be sent back to school in this folder. Please check your child's folder on a daily or weekly basis for important information.

*** Attendance: Students are expected to be "on line and on time" every day by 9:00am in the schoolyard. Lateness will result in loss of privileges such as recess or detention. When a student arrives late to school, they are disrupting the entire class from the instructional process. Lateness can also affect a student's ability to acclimate to the day's learning activities.

In the event of an absence, a note indicating the reason for the absence must be sent to school on the day of return. An absence where a note is not provided upon the student's return will be considered an illegal absence. This is a School District of Philadelphia Policy. Any absences which occur for more than 3 consecutive days will require a doctor's note.

We look forward to an amazing school year with extraordinary learning experiences in the 6th Grade!

Sincerely,

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