

# Welcome to 8<sup>th</sup> Grade!

August 2022

Dear 8th Grade Student:

Welcome to **8<sup>th</sup> grade!** We are very excited that you will be a member of the **Aviators or Navigators**, and we know you will enjoy all the activities and learning opportunities that we have been preparing for you.

## What can you look forward to this year?

- Learning a World Language
- Reading in Language Arts
- Designing and performing experiments in Science
- Early American history through to the Civil War and Reconstruction
- Learning algebra equations in Math
- Preparing for high school

## How can you be prepared for the start of your 8th grade year?

- \*Return to school having read at least two good books.  
Check out the Nutmeg recommended reading books at the library.
- \*Come to school every day with the attitude that you are here to learn!
- \*Develop a plan for a specific time to complete your homework.
- \*Bring **all required supplies** to class every day (see below).
- \*Charge your Chromebook each night!

## SUPPLIES

We suggest a small bag to hold the following:

- Pencils
- Pens (blue or black)
- Earbuds
- Calculator (a simple calculator is good)
- 5-pocket folders (one per subject)
- 1- notebook for math
- 1- notebook for World Language
- 1- highlighter
- 1- 8 pack colored pencils
- 1- package of post-its
- 1-dry erase marker (if you have Miranda for Italian or Spanish)

**Who will your teachers be? There will be some students cross teamed for World Language.**

**Navigators**

Ms. Murphy, Language Arts  
Mr. Couture, Mathematics  
Mr. Berard, Social Studies  
Mr. Moore, Science

**Aviators**

Mrs. Georgini, Language Arts  
Mr. Warnat, Mathematics  
Mr. Karapanos, Social Studies  
A new teacher, Science

**Teachers of Both Navigator and Aviator Students**

Ms. Martinez, Spanish  
Ms. Miranda, Italian & Spanish  
Mrs. Hahn, French  
Mrs. Bacinkas, Language Arts  
Mrs. Harkey, Resource Room  
Mr. Lombardo, Resource Room  
Mrs. Grodzicki, School Counselor

If your parents or guardians need to meet with us, they can set up an appointment by contacting the school at (860) 793-3250. You can also guide them to the MSP website where they will find our voice mail extensions and e-mail addresses (the best way to contact us!). During the year, you will be able to access grades online from this site.

We are looking forward to meeting you on the first day of school. Please feel free to approach us with any of your concerns as we enter this new and exciting year together. We are confident we will have a successful and fun year. Enjoy the rest of the summer!!!

The Aviators Team  
The Navigators Team