



WEBER MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents,

Welcome to the Weber Middle School 7th Grade Blue Team. The transition from sixth to seventh grade can be a time of special concern for parents. In order to prepare, we would like to share a few ideas which we feel will help us work together to ensure the success of your child.

You are the most important person in your child's life, and you have the ability to motivate, stimulate and help your child succeed.

Two areas of concern to parents each year are discipline and homework. Both of these areas require parents and teachers to remain in close communication. In middle school, we emphasize that the choices each student makes will bring either positive or negative consequences. We will help the children learn to make appropriate decisions and will support and praise them when they are successful. If a situation arises and we need your support, we will not hesitate to contact you.

Homework is a very important part of our curriculum since it is used to ascertain what the students have learned and as a springboard into subsequent lessons. We also assign homework to establish responsibility and good study habits. To assist you and your children in keeping abreast of their responsibilities, we distribute a weekly calendar entitled, "What's New with Blue", that will provide a general overview of the week. Students will be given an agenda in which they will keep a record of all assignments.

To help accomplish our goal of working together, you must be aware of the lines of communication available to you. Halfway through each ten-week marking period, your child will receive a progress report, which will give you a picture of your child's academic performance at that point. You will be asked to sign and return this report to us after you have reviewed it. At the end of each ten-week period, students will bring report cards home. If you have concerns, you may call us to discuss what can be done. The best way to make contact is through your child's guidance counselor. Whatever the circumstance, show your child you care about his/her academic success by staying in contact with us over any incident you feel may affect your child's self-esteem or academic success.

We will do our best to help your child to learn to grow academically, personally and socially. We ask you to support our academic efforts by stating to your child that you expect him/her to put forth a quality effort. We need you to impress upon your child the importance of proper behavior and the need to follow the rules of the classroom and the school. You must make sure your child completes the assigned homework each night. Again, you must contact us whenever your child experiences a problem or crisis. In adolescence even the slightest problem can interfere with a child's learning; however, if we are aware, we may be able to provide your child with additional support.

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Enjoy the rest of the summer. We look forward to your child's arrival at Weber and hope to see you at our Open House On Wednesday, September 30, 2009.

*Sincerely,
Mr. Michael Bass
Mrs. Stacey Portmore-Davies
Mr. David Katz
Mr. Mark Long*

7th Grade Blue Team Supplies

You will be assigned a locker with a lock to keep your belongings in. It is important that you do not share the combination of your lock with anyone so that your belongings will remain safe.

To help you get off to a good start, here is a list of basic supplies you will need:

- Loose leaf binder (with a clip, if possible) minimum 3 inch
- Dividers
- Separate 1.5 " binder for math with 5 dividers.
- Wide-lined loose leaf paper
- Pencil case
- Blue and/or black pens
- Pencils (No. 2)
- Three hole punch (inexpensive type that fits in a binder)
- Highlighters
- Protractor
- Colored pencils
- 12 inch/cm ruler

PLEASE LABEL YOUR SUPPLIES WITH YOUR NAME

This will be a new and exciting year and we look forward to sharing it with you!

Something to keep in mind while shopping for your child:

If you are able, please consider picking up an additional supply for a student who is less fortunate. These supplies may be dropped off in the guidance office in the designated boxes. We thank you so much for your care and concern of others.