

8th Grade Orientation

Welcome! We will be starting soon.

Before we begin, please:

- **Have a pen or pencil and a piece of paper ready in case you want to take any notes.**
- **If you would like, please feel free to turn your camera.**
- **All participants will be muted during our presentation.**
- **Please use the chat box for questions. We will monitor and respond during our presentation.**
- **Thank you for your cooperation.**



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Welcome Back

KEEP CALM AND DO YOUR BEST



Ready to Rock 8th Grade!

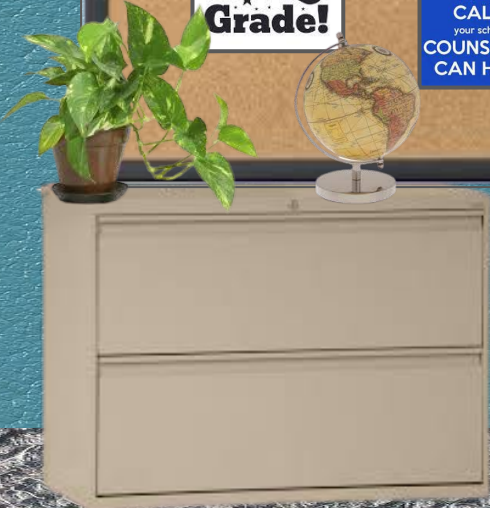
KEEP CALM your school COUNSELOR CAN HELP

I will demonstrate **PRIDE** in the Virtual Classroom by...

- Productive** - Attend all class and extra time sessions.
- Respectful** - Treat all others with respect and courtesy.
- Involved** - Participate in class and extra time sessions.
- Determined** - Stay focused on the task at hand.
- Expressed** - Share ideas and opinions.

IF YOU CAN'T BE KIND, BE QUIET.

DON'T FORGET TO BE AWESOME.



Virtual Learning Schedule

Daily Schedule	A-Day Classes		Support	B-Day Classes	
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
8:30-8:55	Building Community	Building Community	Building Community	Building Community	Building Community
9:00-9:45	Period 1A	Period 4A	FLEX Learning Time Period 3A or 3B (Student Choice)	Period 1B	Period 4B
9:50-10:15	Student Wellness	Tools for Success	9:50-9:35 AM FLEX Learning Time Period 4A or 4B (Student Choice)	Tools for Success	Student Wellness
10:20-11:05	Period 2A	Period 5A	Virtual Learning ends for students at 10:35 am.	Period 2B	Period 5B
11:10-11:50 (by choice)	Clubs/Activity (Student Choice/ Optional)	Clubs/Activity (Student Choice/ Optional)		Clubs/Activity (Student Choice/ Optional)	Clubs/Activity (Student Choice/ Optional)
11:05-1:00	Lunch	Lunch		Lunch	Lunch
1:10-1:55	Period 3A	Period 6A		Period 3B	Period 6B
2:00-2:45	FLEX Learning Time Period 6A or 6B (Student Choice)	FLEX Learning Time Period 2A or 2B (Student Choice)	2:30-3:00 PM Teacher Office Hours/ Connection Time	FLEX Learning Time Period 5A or 5B (Student Choice)	FLEX Learning Time Period 1A or 1B (Student Choice)
	Teacher Office Hours/ Connection Time			Teacher Office Hours/ Connection Time	

Term
20-21
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S1
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Period

- 1(A-B, Mon, Thu)
- 2(A-B, Mon, Thu)
- 3(A-B, Mon, Thu)
- 4(A-B, Tue, Fri)
- 5(A, Tue)
- 5(B, Fri)
- 6(A-B, Tue, Fri)
- 7(A-B, Mon, Fri)

Title

- Mathematics 8.Y
- Science 8
- English/Lang Arts 8(Y)
- Social Studies 8
- Physical Education 8 S1
- IBMYP Design Tm Spts 8 S2
- Guitar 8 S1
- IB MYP Design 8 S2
- Spanish 2
- Community/Wellness/Tools

Teacher

- Sharer, Toni M
- Rosner, Mary
- Ranaghan, Andrea L
- Emhoff, Seth
- Bellarin, Adam T
- Saylor, Colin E
- Burkhart, Nancy M
- Vacancy, 5
- Doudakis, Maria
- Sharer, Toni M

S1 = September 7-January 29
S2 = February 2-June 18

Virtual Learning Schedule

Fill in the blank schedule:

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 Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

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9:00-9:45	1A	4A	Flex Learning time 3A or 3B	1B	4B
9:50-10:15	Student Wellness	Tools for success	Flex Learning time 4A or 4B	Tools for Success	Student Wellness
10:20-11:05	2A	5A		2B	5B
11:10- 11:50	Club (Optional)	Club (Optional)		Club (Optional)	Club (Optional)
11:50-1:00	Lunch	Lunch		Lunch	Lunch
1:10-1:55	3A	6A		3B	6B
2:00-2:45	Flex Learning time 6A or 6B	Flex Learning time 2A or 2B		Flex Learning time 5A or 5B	Flex Learning time 1A or 1B
2:50-3:30	Teachers Office Hours		2:30-3:00 Teacher Office Hours		Teachers Office Hours

To help you keep track of your schedule, there is a fill in the blank schedule template available in Ms. Miller's Google classroom.

How do I get my schedule?

- Schedules will be available on PowerSchool Student/Parent Portal on August 31, 2020
- More information about PowerSchool Student/Parent Portal can be found <https://www.aacps.org/parentportal>
- Get locked or forget your password? Please call OMMN for help at (410) 969-5950



Resources

[Establishing a Parent Portal Account](#)

[An Overview to Navigating the Parent Portal](#)

[Linking Students to an Existing Parent Account](#)

[Email Notifications](#)

[Parent Portal Mobile App](#)


New to Virtual Learning

- Attendance Counts
 - Teachers will take attendance for each class so please do your best to log-in at your scheduled times
 - Absence notes can be e-mailed to: OldMillMiddleNorth@aacps.org
 - If a student cannot participate in live-learning time, parents need to submit a request for alternate attendance. If approved, students will be considered present as long as they view the recorded lessons and complete the assignments (request form and more details will be coming soon from AACPS).
- Return to regular AACPS Grading Policy
 - No more 'No Grade' or 'Satisfactory'
- Recorded Lessons
 - More information coming soon
- Building Community-Student Wellness-Tools for Success ([required for students](#))
 - Designed to engage students in discussion, make connections, develop skills for success

New to Virtual Learning

- Flex Learning Time (required for students)
 - Scheduled check in with teachers for learning support and extension opportunities
 - Period 1: Fridays from 2:00-2:45 pm
 - Period 2: Tuesdays from 2:00-2:45 pm
 - Period 3: Wednesday from 9:00-9:45 am
 - Period 4: Wednesday from 9:50-10:35 am
 - Period 5: Thursday from 2:00-2:45 pm
 - Period 6: Monday from 2:00-2:45 pm
- Clubs & Activity Time (student choice)
 - Built into the school day: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 11:10-11:50 am
 - List of club options coming soon!*

Best Practices for Virtual Learning

- Uses the Chrome Browser  and login using “Classlink” to access Google Classrooms.
- Your student’s login information will be:
 - User ID/Name= 6 digit student ID number (used for lunch in school and listed on report cards)
 - Password= YYYYMMDD (birthdate)
- Use a desktop or laptop or Chromebook rather than a tablet/phone for completing assignments whenever possible.
- If your student is worried that something did not submit properly on Google Classroom, reach out to their teacher via email to let them know. They can help with other options if work is not submitting properly.



Virtual Learning Expectations

Productive

- Attend all classes and arrive on time
- Use class time for academic purposes
- Stay focused on the task at hand
- Complete and turn all assignments in on time

IB Learner Profiles: Thinker, Knowledgeable

Respectful

- Treat other people with kindness and generosity
- Use positive language in class discussions
- Use chat for academic purposes
- Mute your microphone unless directed by teacher
- Appreciate and celebrate diversity of all individuals, ideas and opinions

IB Learner Profiles: Open-Minded, Caring

Involved

- Communicate with peers and teachers
- Actively participate in Google Meets, virtual classes and discussions

IB Learner Profiles: Balanced, Risk-Taker

Determined

- Connect to virtual learning and classrooms every day
- Give my best effort on every task

IB Learner Profiles: Reflective, Inquirer

Empowered

- Actively manage my class responsibilities and assignments
- Seek help with challenging assignments

IB Learner Profiles: Principled, Communicator

8th Grade Teachers

	Team 8A	Team 8B	Team 8C
Language & Literature	Mr. Crawford	Ms. Ranaghan	Ms. Stickel Ms. Steele
Math	Mr. Myers	Ms. Sharer	Ms. Simpson Ms. Steele
Science	Ms. Hood	Ms. Rosner	Ms. Saul Mr. Riley
Individuals & Societies	Ms. Capiotis	Mr. Emhoff	Ms. Hodak Mr. Riley

School Counseling in a Virtual World

Ms. Miller School Counseling

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Class Code:

omge4sl

- Connect with other students
- Strategies for: time management, stress management, navigating virtual learning
- Check in with Ms. Miller about your grades and academic progress

Tips for Virtual Learning

1. Create a learning space. Find a space for your student somewhere in your house. For multiple students in the home, the dollar store sells tri fold posters. Get one for each student to separate the space. The dollar store also has headphones they can use.



2. Make a schedule and have your student stick to it. Have students get up in the morning and follow their normal school routine: shower, get dressed, grab breakfast, pack their book bag, and head to their learning space.

3. Use a calendar and/or post their A day/B day schedule in their learning area.

Tips for Virtual Learning

4. Exercise especially during that 2 hour break. If your student is not joining a club, set up some exercise activities they can do.

5. Keep constant communication with your student, teachers and school counselor. Please reach out to your teacher, administrator, or school counselor if your student is not in their teacher's Google Meet or Google Classroom.

6. Download the Parent Portal app so you will have knowledge of your students' grades.
<https://www.aacps.org/parentportal>



Tips for Virtual Learning

7. Nightly check ins on completion of work and mindset. This will be difficult for kids so check on their mental health.
8. Motivate your students with rewards. Example: Extra time on their video game or point system where they get a new toy or game at the end of the month.
9. Have kids make virtual study groups with students in their class.
10. Reach out to a school counselor if your student's mental health is a concern. Therapists are still working virtually and school counselors can connect you with resources.

SO,
HOW WAS
YOUR DAY?



Questions?



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