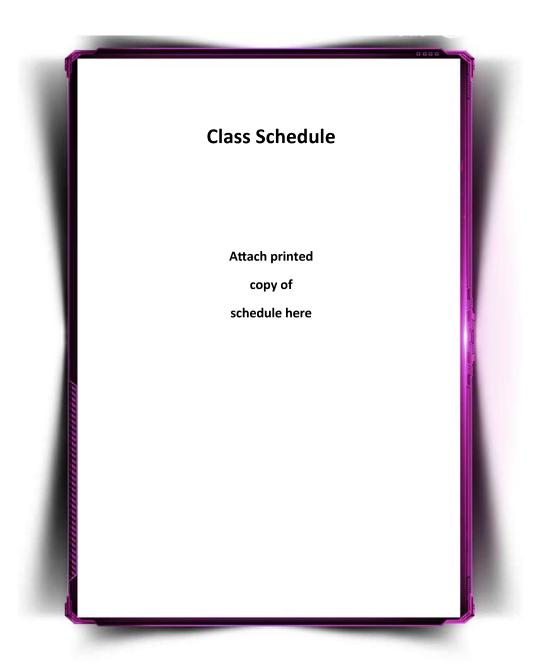
# DRYDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL

2023
2024

Be Respectful Responsible Be Kind

Dryden Middle School



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#### Dear Parents/Guardians:

Welcome to the 2023/2024 school year! We are providing this student planner/handbook as a way for you to help your child achieve success at Dryden Middle School. Developing planning skills is an important part of your child's education, and you can be a part of their skill development in this area.

Please take a few minutes to review the pages of this planner with your child. In the following pages you will find useful information for both you and your student about Dryden Middle School including: school calendar, quick guide to services, helpful skills, and class period schedules (normal, ½ day, assembly schedule and 1 or 2 hour delays).

The remainder of the book is devoted to planning pages for your child. Students will be encouraged to make notations in each box for each class attended; including what was covered in class and what upcoming assignments are due for that particular subject. In addition, we have included the PBIS school-wide expectations. It is our goal that every student enrolled at Dryden Middle School clearly understand the school-wide expectations of "being responsible, being respectful, being safe and being kind." As a collective staff, we want to both recognize students for "doing the right thing", along with holding those accountable that do not abide by the code of conduct. Each student received a copy of the code of conduct on the first day of school and it can be found on the District website.

We welcome your parental involvement in offering our students the best educational experiences we can provide. With that in mind, please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any additional questions and/or concerns about this handbook.

Respectfully,

Lora Champlain Principal

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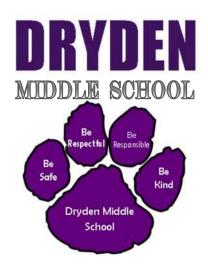
Greg Harris Assistant Principal

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The Dryden Middle School Planner Book is the responsibility of the student. If this book is lost, the student is expected to purchase a replacement from the school at the cost of \$2.00.



Main/Administ	rative Offices:	607-844-8	3694
	Mrs. Scotti – Principal's Office	ext.	4245
	Ms. Lonsky – Assistant Principal's Office	ext.	4239
Counseling:			
	Mrs. Kannus - (Gr 8, Gr 7 Last Names A-K)	ext.	4228
	Ms. Reynolds - (Gr 6, Gr 7 Last Names L-Z)	ext.	4242
	Ms. Stelick - Social Worker	ext.	4204
	Ms. Panzer - Social Worker	ext.	4295
	Mrs. Mychack - School Psychologist	ext.	4311
Nurse:			
	Ms. Gibbs	ext.	4233

#### A Quick Guide to Services in the School

If you want:	Then go:
To sign student in late	To the Attendance Window
To sign student out appointment/illness	To the Attendance Window
To sign student out early dismissal	To the Attendance Window
To report an accident	To the Main Office/Nurse
Help with a locker	To your Teacher/Main Office
Working papers	To the Main Office
Bus information	To the Main Office
Lost / Found	To the Main Office
Parent Conferences	To a Guidance Counselor
Help with a problem	To Teacher/Counselor/Main Office
To schedule a meeting with an Administrator	To the Main Office

## Bell Schedule 2023-2024

## **Dryden Middle School**

#### **Bell Schedule**

7:45	Warning Bell
7:48-8:28	HR/1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:31-9:09	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:12-9:50	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
9:53-10:31	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:34-10:54	Homebase
10:57-11:35	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:57-11:16	5a lunch/lab
11:16-11:35	5b lunch/lab
11:38-12:16	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:38-11:57	6a lunch/lab
11:57-12:16	6b lunch/lab
12:19-12:57	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:19-12:38	7a lunch/lab
12:38-12:57	7b lunch/lab
1:00-1:38	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:41-2:19	9 <sup>th</sup> Period

## **Half Day Schedule**

7:45	Warning Bell
7:48-7:52	Homeroom
7:55-8:12	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
8:15-8:33	9 <sup>th</sup> Period
8:36-8:54	1 <sup>st</sup> Period
8:57-9:15	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:18-9:36	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
9:39-9:57	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:00-10:18	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:21-10:39	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:42-11:00	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:00	Dismissal

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## **Assembly Schedule**

7:45	Warning Bell
7:48-8:17	HR/1st Period
8:20-8:52	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
8:55-9:27	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
9:30-10:02	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
10:05-10:21	Advisory
10:24-10:56	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:59-11:31	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:34-12:06	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:09-12:41	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:44-1:16	9 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:19-2:19	Assembly
2:21-3:00	Activity Period

## 1 Hour Delay Schedule

8:45	Warning Bell
8:48-9:17	HR/1 <sup>st</sup> Period
9:20-9:52	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
9:55-11:02	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
11:05-11:24	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:27-11:59	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:02-12:34	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:37-1:09	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:12-1:44	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:47-2:19	9 <sup>th</sup> Period

## 2 Hour Delay Schedule

9:45	Warning Bell
9:48-10:11	HR/1 <sup>st</sup> Period
10:14-10:40	2 <sup>nd</sup> Period
10:43-11:09	3 <sup>rd</sup> Period
11:12-11:38	4 <sup>th</sup> Period
11:41-12:54	5 <sup>th</sup> Period
12:57-1:13	6 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:15-1:27	7 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:30-1:46	8 <sup>th</sup> Period
1:49-2:19	9 <sup>th</sup> Period

# Important Topics for Success

# MATERIALS I NEED TO TAKE TO CLASS

- Chromebook
- Planner
- Pencils
- Binder and folders
- Loose leaf paper
- Textbooks when assigned
- Novel
- P.E. attire
- Band instruments

## MATERIALS I NEED TO TAKE HOME EACH DAY

- Chromebook
- Planner
- Binder and folders
- Textbooks when assigned
- Band instruments

# TAKING CARE OF SCHOOL RESOURCES

- Keep your textbooks covered throughout the year to keep them in good condition
- When a book is lost or damaged, the student will be charged a replacement fee at the end of the year
- Materials borrowed from classroom libraries must be returned

#### PERSONAL BELONGINGS

Students in the middle school are not permitted to carry backpacks, use cell phones, headphones of any kind, or use other personal electronic devices during the school day.

#### **FOOD & DRINK**

No open containers are allowed in the middle school other than water; this includes: sports drinks and vending machine drinks. Food should be kept in the student's locker or in the cafeteria.

#### **COUNSELING**

Students may request to meet with their school counselor before classes begin, during lunch, or at dismissal. The counselors will let students know when the soonest available appointment will be; therefore, **students should remain in class until called for by the guidance office**, unless there is an emergency.

# GENERAL INFORMATION If School is Closed or Delayed:

Do <u>NOT</u> call the school. Check local radio or television news stations, District website, or sign up for our School Messenger.

#### **Absences from School:**

Parents may request that a student be excused from school for all or part of a school day. Only school authorities (principal or nurse) may legally excuse a student. A note from a parent/guardian is <u>always</u> necessary. Education law recognizes the following legal absences:

- Illness or injury
- Medical, dental, appointments
- Family emergency, which requires the student's presence
- Death in the immediate family
- Certain religious holidays

#### **Emergency Drills:**

A number of emergency drills will be held during the year. It is important that you think of each of these drills as though it were a real emergency. Your classroom teachers will tell you what corridors and exits to use. Emergency plans are posted near the door inside each classroom. Voice level 0 is expected during the drills because in a real emergency you need to hear special instructions.

#### **GENERAL GUIDELINES**

#### Homeroom/1st Period:

Once the first bell has rung, students be in their assigned homeroom/1st period and prepared for class to begin. This includes:

- Having all necessary materials
- Already used the restroom
- Already delivered any notes or communication to the main office

#### Hallway:

- Stay to the right and use selfspace awareness
- Use a voice level 0-2
- Walk
- Report to homeroom immediately after the warning bell
- Carry a pass during class times

#### **Lockers:**

- Hall lockers and gym lockers must be firmly closed and locked
- Valuable items or large amounts of cash should not be brought to school
- Store backpacks and coats until dismissal

#### **Bathroom:**

 Use the bathroom facilities between classes, not during class time. Wash hands thoroughly using soap and water.

#### **Library Regulations / Procedures:**

- The library is open weekdays from 7:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.
- The library is to be used for reference work and leisure reading.
- A quiet atmosphere will be maintained.
- No eating or drinking in the library
- All students are required to have an individual pass, whether coming from academic lab or from a class. Passes are stamped as a student enters the library and as he or she leaves.
- Students are usually asked to limit their selection to three books for borrowing. Books are checked out for three weeks.

# REPORT CARD and GRADE PERIOD DATES:

Marking Period 1: Sept. 7<sup>th</sup> – Nov. 9<sup>th</sup>
Marking Period 2: Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> – Jan. 26<sup>th</sup>
Marking Period 3: Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> – April 19<sup>th</sup>
Marking Period 4: April 22<sup>nd</sup> – June 23<sup>rd</sup>

<u>Please note:</u> Report cards are issued approximately <u>one week</u> after the end of the marking period.

- Renewals are possible if others are not waiting to use the materials.
- Overdue notices will be distributed weekly by homeroom teachers.
- Students who have overdue materials may not sign out anything else until all overdue items are returned.

#### FAMILIES PARTNERING FOR SUCCESSFUL EDUCATION

#### Parent Portal may be used to:

- Track individual student progress
- Email teachers
- Review student course schedule
- Reference discipline referrals
- Track missing assignments

#### Please be mindful that teachers use different time frames for entering grades into their electronic grade book.

#### Please consider:

- Vacationing while school is in session interrupts the learning process. Teachers must be notified at least one week in advance if work is requested. Not all work can be made-up outside of the classroom. Students should anticipate staying with a teacher during activity period until all assignments are completed.
- When not physically well, it is important to stay home.
- In case of an absence or illness, it is the student's responsibility to make up missed work from each teacher.

- If a student will be absent for three or more days, please notify the Main Office
- Participation in extracurricular activities is a privilege dependent upon school performance and grades.

There will be four marking periods throughout the school year. Interim reports will be issued every five weeks to help monitor progress.

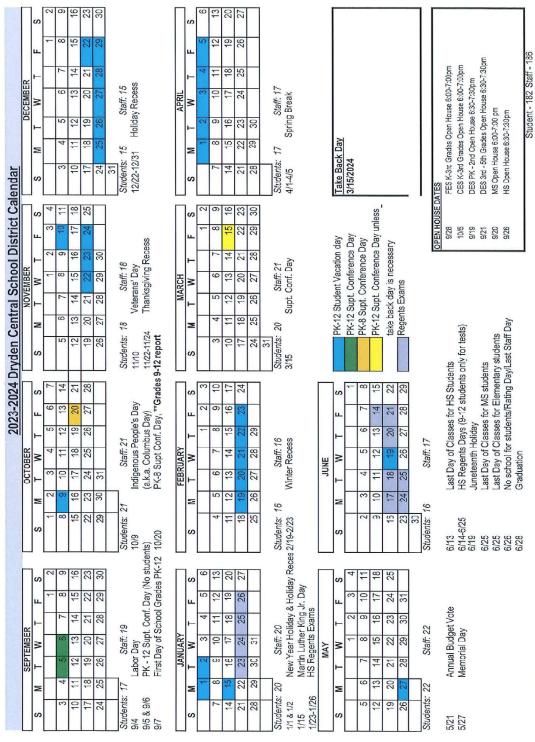
If you have specific questions regarding your child's academic standing after checking *Parent Portal*, please contact your child's teachers.

#### **SCHOOL BUS REGULATIONS**

A copy of the school bus regulations is available in the district calendar or from the Transportation Department. Student actions that distract the driver or otherwise interfere with the driver's ability to operate the vehicle in a safe manner are prohibited.

Rules of behavior for the school building also apply to the bus. Students are expected to remain seated, refrain from throwing things and refrain from harassing or fighting with other passengers.

Students who continually violate school bus rules may have their bus transportation suspended for a period of time to be decided by the Principal in consultation with the Transportation Supervisor and any other appropriate district personnel.



reviewed by DCSD Calendar Committee: 1/26/23 approved by DCSD BOE

Dangerous		<ul> <li>Unsafe-playing with lighters, matches, fire, guns or knives</li> <li>Not respecting your private parts</li> <li>Stealing</li> <li>Using medicines or alcohol</li> </ul>	ng way?  Tell an adult Check first Say "no" then "go tell"
Bullying	P. C.	Saying or doing something mean on purpose because they are different Someone doesn't stop even when asked to stop being hurtful  Happens often over time Leaves someone feeling scared and upset	What can you do to solve the problem in a safe and caring way?  • Use an I-message strong voice strong voice walk away  • Say "I'm sorry" if you were part of the problem in a safe and caring way?  • Say "I'm sorry" if you keeps happening triends  • Keep eyes open for others  • Keep eyes open for others
Mean	( ) B	Saying or doing something hurtul on purpose Happens once in a while Results in hurt feelings	Say "please stop" in a strong voice  Move away  Ask an adult for help if it keeps happening
Rude		Saying or doing something hurtful on accident Being disrespectful or inappropriate with words or gestures Forgetting to use polite manners	Use an I-message  Valk away Say "I'm sorry" if you were part of the problem
Conflict	* 600	Two or more people     do not agree     No one is having fun	Use an I-message     Ask them to stop     Walk away

## **Dryden Middle School PBIS Expectations**

	BE RESPONSIBLE	BE RESPECTFUL	BE SAFE
HALLWAY	Stay to the right     Carry materials from class to class     Use self-space awareness	<ul> <li>Voice level 0-2</li> <li>Keep hallways clean</li> <li>Follow adult directions</li> <li>Accept differences in others</li> <li>Use kind language</li> </ul>	<ul><li>Stay to the right</li><li>Walk</li><li>No congregating</li></ul>
BATHROOM/ LOCKER ROOM	<ul> <li>Clean up after yourself</li> <li>Flush toilet</li> <li>Use good hygiene</li> <li>Take care of your needs and return to class quickly</li> <li>Lock your belongings when in locker room</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Voice level 0-2</li> <li>Give others and yourself privacy</li> <li>Accept differences in others</li> <li>Be courteous of others' belongings</li> <li>Be aware of other's allergies when using products</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain self-space awareness</li> <li>Wash hands with soap ar water</li> <li>Keep water in the sink</li> <li>Dry off in showers to keel floor dry</li> </ul>
CAFETERIA	Keep your space clean     After eating, place all your garbage & recyclables in the appropriate container	<ul> <li>Voice level 0-2</li> <li>Remember to say "please" and "thank you" in the lunch line</li> <li>Maintain your place in line and wait patiently for your turn</li> <li>Ask for permission to leave</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain self-space awareness</li> <li>Always walk</li> <li>Remain in your chosen so for the lunch period</li> <li>Keep personal belonging out of walkways</li> </ul>
AUDITORIUM	Watch the program and listen to speakers & per- formers     Keep food, drinks, gum out of the auditorium	<ul> <li>Voice level 0-1</li> <li>Sit up and keep feet on floor</li> <li>Be kind and courteous to presenters &amp; other audience members</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain self-space awareness</li> <li>Remain seated</li> <li>Listen to and follow emergency procedures</li> <li>Enter and exit in an orderly fashion</li> </ul>
BUS	Keep seats and aisles clean     Follow your bus driver's directions	<ul> <li>Voice level 0-2</li> <li>Be polite to the driver and other passengers</li> <li>Accept differences in others</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Maintain self-space awareness</li> <li>Stay seated</li> <li>Report any dangerous ar or inappropriate behavior an adult</li> </ul>
EMERGENCY DRILL	<ul> <li>Line up by class</li> <li>Listen to the teacher</li> <li>Face forward and remain in a straight line</li> </ul>	Voice level 0     Use self-space awareness while in line	Use self-space awarenes when exiting and entering the building Exit in a calm and orderly fashion Follow adult directions
CHROME- BOOKS	Report any issues with the Chromebook or case immediately	Only touch/use your own Chromebook     Follow adult direction and expectations for the use of your Chromebook	Store and transport your Chromebook safely     Protect your personal Chromebook information

#### 2023-2024



#### <u>Fall (Modified, JV & Varsity Season</u> Sports Offered:

Cheerleading ~Varsity
Soccer Girls' & Boys' ~Modified & Varsity
Cross Country ~Modified & Varsity
Girls' Swimming ~Modified & Varsity
Football ~Modified & Varsity
Volleyball ~JV & Varsity
Health History form will open on 7/24/23
Paperwork Deadline — 8/7/23
Modified, JV/Varsity Fall Practice starts

# Winter I (Modified) Season Sports Offered:

8/21/23

Modified Boys' Basketball
Modified Girls' Volleyball
Health History form will open on 9/25/23
Paperwork Deadline – 10/10/23
Modified Practice starts on 10/23/23

# Winter (JV & Varsity) Season Sports Offered:

Girls' & Boys' Basketball ~ JV & Varsity
Cheerleading (Basketball) ~ Varsity
Indoor Track Boys' & Girls' ~ Varsity
Boys' Swimming ~ Varsity
Wrestling ~ Varsity
Health History form will open on 10/16/23
Paperwork Deadline — 10/30/23
JV/Varsity Practice starts on 11/13/23

# Winter II (Modified) Season Sports Offered:

Modified Girls' Basketball,
Modified Boys' Swim,
Modified Wrestling
Health History Form will open on 11/27/23
Paperwork Deadline — 12/11/23
Modified Practice starts on 1/3/24

# Spring Season Sports Offered:

Baseball & Softball ~ Modified, JV, Varsity
Golf ~ Varsity
Boys' Lacrosse ~ Modified & Varsity
Boys' & Girls' Outdoor Track & Field ~
Modified & Varsity
Health History form will open on 2/12/24
Paperwork Deadline — 2/26/24
JV/Varsity Fall Practice starts 3/11/24
Paperwork Deadline — 3/4/24
Modified Track Practice starts on 3/18/24
Paperwork Deadline — 3/18/24
Modified Baseball & Softball Practice
starts on 4/1/24