



Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to seventh grade. As you enjoy your summer vacation, we want you to know that we are looking forward to a great school year.

The seventh grade curriculum is rich and varied and it is our goal as your teachers to help you learn and improve your skills in a caring and supportive environment. We would like you to start your seventh grade year ready and willing to work on three essential skills that we will be focusing on this year.

Time Management- Complete and turn in all nightly assignment and long term projects when due and promptly make up work missed when absent from class.

Organizational Skills- Use the student assignment pad consistently. Bring all needed materials to class each day and correctly organize folders and notebooks. Charge your Chromebook each night. Bring headphones/earbuds to class each day.

Personal Responsibility- Be active in class activities and discussions, demonstrate appropriate behavior and self-control. Ask questions when content or assignments aren't clearly understood. Use the Chromebook appropriately and be respectful digital citizens.

To help in your planning for this school year, we would like to offer a list of supplies that will be required in all of our classes:

- Loose-leaf paper (reinforced is helpful)
- Pens and Pencils
- Sticky Notes (minimum of 3 packs)
- Highlighters: (pink, green, yellow, blue)
- Headphone/Earbuds (**NOT Bluetooth, plug ins only**)
- Colored pencils
- Calculator
- 1 spiral notebook with pockets
- 1 two inch binder

Subject teachers will inform students of additional supplies suggested for each class during the first week of school.

While shopping please consider donating to our TMS School Supply Closet for students in need. Any/all items on the list are needed and are welcome at any time during the school year to help our TMS families. Donations should be brought to the Main Office.

On the first day of school, don't forget to bring your independent reading novel, your required Summer Reading Bookmark and your summer math packet (strongly recommended). **The Summer Reading Bookmark** and further information can be found on the TMS homepage under **SCHOOL RELATED LINKS** titled "Summer Reading." From here you will find all summer reading information including lists of books suggestions, the 2016-2017 Intermediate Nutmeg list, and a fun incentive titled "Bingo Summer Reading." The **math packet** can be accessed online at www.fairfieldschools.org. The **math packet** can be found under "Hot Downloads and Linds" then choose Summer Math Packet and choose the appropriate math packet.

Finally, please make sure your Infinite Campus account(s) are up to date. This is the primary method of communication for the Fairfield Public School system. This information can be found on the TMS home page under news. Click on the link *District Infinite Campus "How To"* page.

To activate your account you do need to use your "portal activation key," which was sent home in a letter last spring. If you didn't receive the letter or misplaced it, please email the following address and ask for your key: reghelp@fairfieldschools.org.

Seventh grade is an exciting year. Approach it positively and enthusiastically and you are bound to experience great success. Hope you enjoy your summer vacation. We look forward to meeting you on August 29th.

Sincerely,

The TMS 7th Grade Teachers