



Welcome to the 8th Grade Lightning Team



Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

When school opens in September, you will be part of a team of about 125 students sharing the following core teachers:

Mr. Keil for Math

Ms. Cosentino for English

Ms. Lapsley for Social Studies

Ms. Melega for Science

Mr. Denman for Health and Physical Education

Mrs. Blean our Guidance Counselor

Your 8th grade year is one of transitions, both socially as well as academically. As an 8th grader we will expect a greater degree of excellence from you than what you experienced as a 7th grader. We hope you accept this responsibility as you prepare to enter high school in the near future.

Your child will have homework on a regular basis. The team teachers require students to use their student handbook to keep track of their assignments. It is a good idea to check this several times a week so that you and your child will stay on top of things.

Even though the finer details of any class may be forgotten as your child moves along in his/her education, the work habits they learn now will stay with them. Please be supportive of us in our effort to help reinforce a good, healthy work ethic. Please do not tolerate any assignment zeros.

Please be sure to take time and go over the student handbook. All students will receive this the first day of school from their homeroom teacher. Also, take the time to read and review with your child any policy sheets that they bring home from individual teachers. These items are our way of letting you and your child know what to expect and what is expected of them.

Here is a list of materials you will need in your classes this year:

Two 2" binders and section dividers to set up sections for all classes

One spiral notebook (150 pages for Science)

A supply of #2 pencils (**particularly for Math & Science that require pencils for all work**) & pens

Box of colored pencils to be kept & used at home

Gym clothes and combination lock for physical education class.

You will need a marbled composition book for your math elective.

Your teachers will relay any other specific needs to you during the first week of school. It is your responsibility to maintain these materials, along with your subject textbooks, throughout the year.

If you have any questions regarding the up-coming school year, please contact us at the school number: 609-597-9481. Enjoy the rest of the summer, we look forward to seeing you in September!

The Lightning Team