

New Student Orientation Guide



Mifflin County Middle School Grades 6-7 2026-27

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Principals' Welcome Letter

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Welcome to Mifflin County Middle School! We are excited to welcome your family to our Husky Pack and look forward to partnering with you throughout the upcoming school year.

The transition to middle school is an exciting milestone. It is a time of new opportunities, greater independence, and tremendous personal growth. Whether your child is entering sixth grade or joining us as a new student, our goal is to make this transition as smooth, positive, and rewarding as possible.

At MCMS, we are committed to providing a safe, supportive, and engaging learning environment where every student is encouraged to grow academically, socially, and emotionally. Our dedicated teachers and staff work diligently to build meaningful relationships with students while challenging them to reach their full potential. We believe that every child has unique strengths, and we strive to create opportunities for all students to discover their interests, develop new skills, and experience success.

Our school community is guided by our PBIS motto, Run with the PACK, which encourages students to

- Be ResPonsible
- Act SAfely
- Have Character
- MaKe a Difference

Throughout the school year, we also emphasize important character traits that help students become caring, responsible, and respectful members of our school community. We encourage our students to demonstrate these values both inside and outside the classroom as they grow into confident leaders and lifelong learners.

This orientation guide has been designed to answer many of the questions families have about middle school. Inside, you will find important information about daily schedules, transportation, attendance procedures, academics, clubs and activities, counseling services, health information, and much more. We encourage you to keep this guide as a resource throughout the school year.

Thank you for entrusting us with your child's education. We are honored to be part of this important chapter in your student's life and are excited to watch him or her learn, grow, and thrive as members of the MCMS PACK.

We look forward to an outstanding school year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Jennifer S. Macknair
Principal

Mr. Luke J. Strawser
Assistant Principal

MCMS Bell Schedules

MCMS Bell Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	8:08 – 9:04
2	9:07 – 9:57
3	10:00 – 10:49
A Lunch (6th Grade)	
Lunch	10:49 – 11:19
4 (4B)	11:22 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
Lunch	11:42 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
C Lunch (7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
5 (5A)	11:45 – 12:35
Lunch	12:35 – 1:05
6	1:08 – 1:57
7	2:00 – 2:50
Student Dismissal 2:50	
2:50 First Run/walkers/pickups	
2:54 Second Run	
2:56 Third Run	

2 Hour Delay Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	10:08 – 10:49
A Lunch (6th Grade)	
Lunch	10:49 – 11:19
4 (4B)	11:22 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
Lunch	11:42 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
C Lunch (7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
5 (5A)	11:45 – 12:35
Lunch	12:35 – 1:05
2	1:08 – 1:32
3	1:35 – 1:58
6	2:01 – 2:24
7	2:27 – 2:50
Student Dismissal 2:50	
2:50 First Run/walkers/pickups	
2:54 Second Run	
2:56 Third Run	

3 Hour Delay Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	11:08 – 11:19
A Lunch (6th Grade)	
Lunch	11:21 – 11:51
4 (4B)	11:54 – 12:42
5 (5B)	12:45 – 1:33
B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	11:21 – 12:09
Lunch	12:12 – 12:42
5 (5B)	12:45 – 1:33
C Lunch (7th Grade)	
4 (4A)	11:21 – 12:09
5 (5A)	12:12 – 1:00
Lunch	1:03 – 1:33
6	1:36 – 2:12
7	2:15 – 2:50
Student Dismissal 2:50	
2:50 First Run/walkers/pickups	
2:54 Second Run	
2:56 Third Run	
*Periods 2 & 3 will not meet on a 3-hour delay schedule.	

MCMS Bell Schedules

12:15 Dismissal Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	8:08 – 9:04
2	9:07 – 9:57
3	10:00 – 10:33

A Lunch (6th Grade)

Lunch	10:33 – 11:03
4 (4B)	11:06 – 11:36
5 (5B)	11:39 – 12:15

B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:36 – 11:03
Lunch	11:06 – 11:36
5 (5B)	11:39 – 12:15

C Lunch (7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:36 – 11:03
5 (5A)	11:06 – 11:42
Lunch	11:45 – 12:15

*C Lunch students will be dismissed directly from the cafeteria.

Student Dismissal Begins 12:15
12:15 First Run/walkers/pickups
12:19 Second Run
12:21 Third Run

1:15 Dismissal Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	8:08 – 9:04
2	9:07 – 9:57
3	10:00 – 10:49

A Lunch (6th Grade)

Lunch	10:49 – 11:19
4 (4B)	11:22 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
7	1:06 – 1:15

B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
Lunch	11:42 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05
7	1:06 – 1:15

C Lunch (7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
5 (5A)	11:45 – 12:35
Lunch	12:35 – 1:05
7	1:06 – 1:15

Student Dismissal Begins 1:15
1:15 First Run/walkers/pickups
1:19 Second Run
1:21 Third Run

MCMS Calendar of Events 2026-27

- August 17 – Skyward Family Access Enabled at 3:00 p.m.
- August 19 – New Student Orientation at 6:00 p.m.
- August 31 – First Day of School for Students
- September 4 – Act 80 Day – No School for Students
- September 7 – Labor Day – No School for Students
- September 9 – Picture Day
- September 23 – Back to School Night at 6:00 p.m.
- October 12 – Act 80 Day – No School for Students
- October 27 – Picture Make-ups and Retakes
- November 11 – Veterans’ Day – No School for Students
- November 24 – K-12 Parent Conferences
- November 25 – In-Service – No School for Students
- November 26 through November 30 – Thanksgiving Vacation – No School for Students
- November 30 – No School for Students – Designated Make-Up Day #1
- December 8 – Band Concert at 7:00 p.m.
- December 15 – Choir Concert at 7:00 p.m.
- December 23 through January 1 – Christmas Vacation – No School for Students
- January 18 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day – No School for Students – Designated Make-Up Day #2
- January 29 – Act 80 Day – No School for Students
- February 12 – Act 80 Day – No School for Students
- February 15 – Presidents’ Day – No School for Students – Designated Make-Up Day #3
- March 25 – Act 80 Day – No School for Students
- March 26 – Good Friday – No School for Students
- March 29 – Easter Break – No School for Students – Designated Make-Up Day #4
- April 23 – No School for Students – Designated Make-Up Day #5
- May 11 – Choir Concert at 7:00 p.m.
- May 18 – Band Concert at 7:00 p.m.
- May 31 – Memorial Day – No School for Students
- June 3 – Last Day of School for Students – Grades K-7 Dismiss at 12:15 p.m. and Grades 8-12 at 12:30 p.m.
- June 4 – Designated Make-Up Day #6

2027 PSSA Testing Windows

- English Language Arts – April 26, 27, and 28 – April 29 Make-up
- Math – May 3 and 4 – May 5 Make-up

Marking Periods

***Please note** – these dates are tentative and are subject to change in the event of weather-related school closures.

- First Marking Period: August 27 to October 30, 2026
- Second Marking Period: November 2, 2026 to January 21, 2027
- Third Marking Period: January 22 to March 30, 2027
- Fourth Marking Period: March 31 to June 3, 2027

Morning Arrival and Attendance Check-In Procedures 2026-27

Students at MCMS will verify attendance at kiosks as they enter the building.

Students will either scan their ID badge (using the barcode on the back) or enter their ID number at a kiosk.

This is similar to how students scan their ID or enter their ID number when they purchase lunch and/or sign in or out of the building for an appointment.

Kiosks are in the cafeteria (parent drop-off area), auditorium lobby (bus drop-off area), and the office.

This system will help us create a more secure environment and confirm attendance as soon as students enter the building. Teachers will then verify the attendance in first period and notify the office of any discrepancies.

Student Drop-Off/Pick-Up

During school hours (after 8:08 a.m.), students should be dropped off and/or picked up at the front office. If a student has already submitted an excuse for an early dismissal, a parent/guardian does not need to come into the building to pick up the student. Students can sign themselves in and out with an excuse signed by a parent/guardian. Parents/guardians may either pick up students in the office, or they may call, and students will be sent out to meet the parent/guardian after their identity has been verified.

Before and after school, **students should be dropped off and/or picked up at the cafeteria parking lot next to the athletic practice fields. Students will enter and exit through Door #17 into the cafeteria.** Students should not be dropped off or picked up at the auditorium parking lot or tennis court lot. The auditorium lot is for buses only.

Breakfast and Lunch Prices

Breakfast – FREE for all MCSD students for 2026-2027

Lunch \$3.15 (FREE for both free and reduced-price eligible students)

Character Traits for 2026-27

Loyalty – Show others that you are faithful and dependable when you have a commitment to them.

Adaptability – Be ready and willing to adjust as necessary to the changes in people and circumstances that arise in daily life.

Contemplation – Think things through with proper care before taking action.

Courage – Face difficulty or danger and express your beliefs even if you are afraid.

**Remember our PBIS motto
and Run with the **PACK**:**

Be Res**P**ossible
Act S**A**fely
Have **C**haracter
Ma**K**e a Difference



Clubs and Activities

Clubs and activities may be added or changed throughout the school year based on student interest and staff availability.

Art Club

Students spend time being creative, learning new things, and using a variety of mediums including paint, acrylic paint pens, air-dry clay and even large rocks. The club does illustrations for the music programs in the winter and spring and display artwork throughout the school year in the lobby and for our annual Day of the Arts exhibition.

Board and Brain Club

Students will have the opportunity to engage in a variety of puzzles, strategy games, Rubik's cubes, and classic board games that promote critical thinking, collaboration, community, and fun. The club is open to students of all skill levels and provides a welcoming environment for all participants.

Book Club

Love to read and talk about books with friends? The MCMS Book Club meets after school to read, snack, and chat about exciting titles chosen by students. All are welcome: Come for the stories, stay for the fun!

Chess Club

Whether you're a chess pro or just want to learn how to play, chess club is for you. The club meets after school on Fridays and has members of all different skill levels. Boards and competition are provided. All that's missing is you.

Community Service Club

CSC empowers students to make a difference in their school and community. Members will plan and participate in service projects throughout the year, building leadership, character, and a lifelong commitment to helping others.

Computer Club

The club is open to students interested in learning about the various forms of technology we have available at MCMS, including computer apps/hardware, coding, robotics, laser engraving, makerspace resources, and more.

Drama Club

The MCMS Drama Club puts together a small production every year. Students may help with backstage crew or take a role on stage. Meetings start in January and will pick up after the high school's production.

Girls on the Run

This club is a positive youth development program for girls that focuses on building confidence, social, emotional, and physical skills through running and fun, interactive lessons. It aims to empower girls to be joyful, healthy, and confident by combining physical activity with research-based, interactive lessons. The spring season culminates in a 5K race where the girls, along with coaches and running buddies, celebrate their achievements and experience a sense of accomplishment.

Newspaper Club

Students explore journalism, writing, photography, and design. Students report on school events, write articles and feature stories, publish media reviews (books, music, podcasts, games, movies), and create original comics. Their work is showcased in our digital newspaper, *The Husky Howler*, which highlights life at Mifflin County Middle School and across the district.

PBIS Student Ambassadors

Ambassadors are nominated by their teachers in the beginning of the year for their hard work and kindness. Throughout the year, ambassadors run the school store or work on kindness projects throughout the year.

Project YES

Youth Excellence Services is a prevention program in Mifflin County offered by TIU Community Education Services. It targets at-risk middle school students who display success-hindering behaviors.

Rise Above the Noise

This student-led club helps students discuss life situations from a biblical perspective, so they can “rise above the noise!”

Science Club

The MCMS Science has hands-on experiments, exciting discoveries, and fun STEM challenges every week. From building rockets to solving real-world problems, our Science Club makes learning fun and fuels a lifelong love of science. It is perfect for curious minds ready to explore.

Ski Club

Ski Club is a fun and engaging after-school program designed to spark a love for skiing and snowboarding while promoting teamwork, physical fitness, and outdoor adventure!

STEM Club

STEM Club gives students the opportunity to explore science, technology, engineering, and mathematics through hands-on projects, design challenges, coding, robotics, and creative problem-solving. Members will work collaboratively to build, test, and innovate while developing critical thinking skills and discovering how STEM connects to the real world.

Student Council

MCMS Student Council helps to plan school dances and activity nights, helps with community fundraising events like the Salvation Army kettle challenge and mini-thon, and supports our school by serving as guides for 5th grade tours and Back to School night.

Yearbook

Our yearbook is created by students. Students select the cover design, page layout, take pictures, and help distribute the books after they arrive. Most of the work is done during school hours. We need photos of clubs and sports, so it is a way for students who are busy with other activities to get involved.

Yoga Club

Yoga Club is a peaceful space to stretch, breathe, and relax after school. No experience needed - just bring yourself and an open mind!

MCMS Home and School Association

The Mifflin County Middle School Home & School Association (HSA) is a partnership between parents, families, and school staff working together to support our students, teachers, and school community. The HSA provides opportunities for families to become involved, volunteer, and help enhance the middle school experience through events, activities, and other initiatives.

We welcome all parents and guardians to participate! If you are interested in learning more or becoming involved, please contact **Ms. Reana Donaldson** at rld55@mcsdk12.org.

Next HSA Meeting: Monday, September 14, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. in MCMS Cafeteria

School Counseling Services

What do counselors help with?

➤ **Personal Problems**

Personal Problems can affect your attitude and school performance. Your school counselor can talk to you about these issues. They can also help with referrals to agencies outside of school.

➤ **Social Issues**

A student's social life can also get in the way of school success. Your school counselors can teach you social skills that will help in everyday situations. Counselors also work to prevent bullying and facilitate mediations.

➤ **Academics**

Middle School is a big change for students. Your counselors can help you with organizational and study skills, alert you and your parents to academic problems, and assist you in finding the extra help you need to succeed.

➤ **SAP**

For students who are struggling with bigger mental health issues or family concerns, please consider referring your child to the SAP program. For more information, please talk to your child's counselor or visit the SAP web page: <https://mcms67.wixsite.com/schoolcounseling/parent-resources>

How do counselors help?

No problem is too big or too small! Don't be afraid to come to the guidance office for help. We can't help if we don't know! Remember, we are your advocate. We are here to help you!

Mrs. Jane Foor and Mr. Andy McCardell are the MCMS school counselors. Mr. McCardell is the 6th grade counselor, and Mrs. Foor is the 7th grade counselor. Our counselors stay with their cohort of students for two years so they can get to know their students and families better.

Contact Information

MCMS Guidance Website

<https://mcms67.wixsite.com/schoolcounseling>

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Mr. Andy McCardell
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Mrs. Jane Foor
7th Grade Counselor
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Courses/Extra-Curriculars

- **6th Grade Courses**
 - Math
 - ELA
 - Social Studies
 - Science
 - Music (1 Semester, 3 days/cycle) and Health (1 Semester)
 - Computer (2 days/cycle), Phys. Ed. (2 days/cycle), Study Hall (2 days/cycle)
- **7th Grade Courses**
 - Math
 - Algebra I
 - ELA
 - Social Studies
 - Science
 - Computer (2 days/cycle), Phys. Ed. (2 days/cycle), Art (3 days/cycle), Study Hall (2 days/cycle)
- **Extra-Curriculars**
 - Band, Choir, Clubs, Activities, and Jr. High Sports for 7th grade

Google Classroom

Google Classroom and Class Dojo are both popular tools used in schools, but they serve different purposes and have distinct features. As a middle school parent familiar with Class Dojo, you may find Google Classroom to be more academically oriented, while Class Dojo continues to support engagement and behavior tracking. Below is a comparison to help you understand the differences:

Feature/Aspect	Google Classroom	Class Dojo
Purpose	Learning Management System (LMS)	Classroom Management and Communication Tool
Assignments & Grading	Full functionality for creating, distributing, and grading assignments	Not designed for academic assignments; focuses on behavior and engagement
Communication	Announcements and academic discussions	Real-time behavior updates, photos, and announcements
Parent Engagement	Limited to academic updates and announcements	Strong focus with direct communication and updates

Lockers

Students are encouraged to use their lockers throughout the day. Below are steps for opening your locker. We encourage you to review these with your student.

1. Clear the lock by turning several times clockwise and then stop on the first number of your combination.
2. Next, turn counterclockwise passing the second number once and stopping on it the second time around.
3. Lastly, turn clockwise and stop at the last number. Lift the handle and pull open.

***HINT:** Stop directly on the numbers of the combination or it may not open.

From the Nurse's Office

6th Grade Vaccinations and Physical Examination: The school nurse will accept a completed physical examination from the student's healthcare provider dated up to 1 year prior to the first day of school or at any time during the sixth-grade year. A copy of the child's immunization record must be completed and turned in with the physical.

Students may request physical examination forms in the school nurse's office or download and print them from the district's webpage (Student/Parents > Forms & Flyers > Nurse's Forms > Private Physician Physical Form).

MCSD Medication Policy Reminder: As a friendly reminder, students are NOT permitted to carry any medications on their person during school hours. This includes cough drops, medicated creams, eye drops or anything used for medicinal purposes. The only medications students may carry with a physician's order are epi-pens, diabetic supplies, or inhalers. Parents and guardians must deliver medications to the school nurse in the original prescription bottles or packaging along with the MCSD prescription medication form completed by the prescribing physician.

Please call Nurse Staub at 717-248-1401 ext. 6509 or email at jj20@mcsdk12.org if your child needs to take any medication at school.

Parents/guardians may drop off medications to the nurse's office during regular school hours, 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. Please call or email the MCMS school nurse throughout the school year if your student has a change in his or her health status and needs any additional support or assistance during school hours. Please also keep in mind that morning meds should be given at home.

Over-the-Counter (OTC) Medication Forms: Over-the-Counter Medication forms must be completed and signed by a parent/guardian in order for students to receive medication from the school nurse. If your child does not submit the Over-the-Counter Medication form to the Nurse's Office, your child will not receive medication at school. Forms will be sent home in the First Day Packet.

7th Grade Vaccination Requirements: The Pennsylvania Department of Health's School Health Program requires all 7th-grade students, including those enrolled in the online Alpha Program, to submit proof of obtaining the Meningococcal Vaccine (MCV) and Diphtheria/Tetanus/Pertussis Booster (Tdap) to their School Nurse. Please submit documentation of immunizations to the School Nurse as soon as possible. You may send a fax to 717-242-5805 (Attn School Nurse), scan records/take photos on phone and email them to Jennifer Staub, RN at jj20@mcsdk12.org, or drop off records in the MCMS Main Office during school hours.

**** Please note: Non-compliant students will be excluded from school on September 9, 2026, and remain excluded until proof of compliance or an appropriate exemption is submitted to the School Nurse. Contact the MCMS Nurse's Office at 717-242-1401 ext. 6509 with questions.**

7th Grade Dental: The school nurse will accept a dental form dated from up to one year prior to the school start date or anytime during their seventh-grade year. It is a state requirement that every student in 7th grade must have a dental exam. Dental forms can be picked up in the nurse's office or downloaded from the district's webpage.

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MIDDLE SCHOOL HOMEROOM ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2026-2027

SIXTH GRADE

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Students</u>
Mr. Mills	102	Adams – Baughman
Mr. Garner	103	Baumgardner – Carson
Ms. Laky	116	Casner – Crosson
Mr. Whited	118	Crotty – Espindola
Ms. Rowles	120B	Etters – Fye
Mr. Sunderland	207	Garcia-Sanchez – Harris
Mrs. Hartman	209	Heider – Jones
Mr. Himes	211	Kaiser – Lauver
Ms. Mowery	213	Legare – McChesney
Mr. Baublitz	302	McCloskey – Moore
Mrs. Craig	306	Morningstar – Peters
Mrs. Runk	402	Plank – Romig
Mrs. Donaldson	404	Rose – Shank
Mr. Willow	405	Shawver – Snyder
Mr. Jones	406	Solt – Terry
Ms. Lewis	407	Thierwechter – Wagner
Mrs. Aiello	426	Walter – Wilson
Mr. McClure	433	Wolfe – Zong

SEVENTH GRADE

<u>Teacher</u>	<u>Room</u>	<u>Students</u>
Mr. Yerger	120A	Altamuro – Beward
Mr. Palopoli	201	Bickel – Cenite
Mr. McKelvey	203	Chappell-Koch – Desamours
Ms. Elsesser	204A	Devore – Fink
Mr. Wriglesworth	205	Fisher – Goss
Ms. Ward	208	Grant – Hill
Mrs. Weaver	304	Hoar – Kahley
Mrs. J. Smith	308	Kanagy – Leonardo
Mrs. Kratzer	420	Lepley – Merritt
Mr. Baker	424	Metz – Ortiz
Mrs. Whited	425	Osborne – Reed
Mr. Hetrick	427	Reppert – Settle
Mr. Wagner	428	Shank – Staley
Mrs. Haines	430	Steele – Traxler
Miss Fosselman	431	Treaster – Wessels
Mr. Miller	432	West – Zook

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Helpful Tips to Prepare for 6th Grade

Practice Using a Combination Lock

Follow these steps to open your locker:

1. Turn the lock clockwise several times to clear it.
2. Stop on the **first number** of your combination.
3. Turn the lock counterclockwise, passing the **second number once**, and stop on it the second time around.
4. Turn the lock clockwise and stop on the **last number**.
5. Lift the handle and pull open.



Hint: Stop directly on each number in your combination or the lock may not open correctly.

Directions are also posted on lockers throughout the building to help you.

Attendance Matters

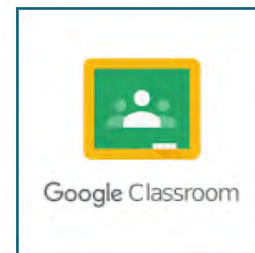
Coming to school every day and arriving on time helps students:

- Stay caught up with classwork and assignments
- Build strong friendships and connections
- Participate in activities and classroom learning
- Feel confident and prepared for class

Google Classroom

Google Classroom is an online platform teachers use to support learning. Students use Google Classroom for:

- Classroom announcements
- Communication and collaboration
- Assignments and assessments
- Accessing class materials and helpful links



Folder Colors

Each class uses a different colored folder to help students stay organized.

- Social Studies - Red
- Science - Green
- ELA - Yellow
- Math - Blue
- Health - Light Blue
- Music - Purple
- Chorus/Band - Black

6th Grade Classes

Core Classes

- Math
- ELA
- Social Studies
- Science

Specials

- Music (*1 semester – 3 days per cycle*)
- Health (*1 semester*)

Other Classes

- Computer (*2 days per cycle*)
- Physical Education (*2 days per cycle*)
- Study Hall (*2 days per cycle*)

New Student Orientation

- Wednesday, August 19, 2026
- 6:00 p.m.
- MCMS Auditorium

Tour the building, practice lockers, and learn more about middle school expectations!

At MCMS, we Run with the Pack and work together to:

- **Be Responsible**
- **Act Safely**
- **Have Character**
- **Make a Difference**

These expectations help make MCMS a positive place for everyone
because at MCMS **every school day counts!**

MCMS Bell Schedule

<u>Period</u>	<u>Time</u>
1	8:08 – 9:04
2	9:07 – 9:57
3	10:00 – 10:49

A Lunch (6th Grade)

Lunch	10:49 – 11:19
4 (4B)	11:22 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05

B Lunch (6th & 7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
Lunch	11:42 – 12:12
5 (5B)	12:15 – 1:05

C Lunch (7th Grade)

4 (4A)	10:52 – 11:42
5 (5A)	11:45 – 12:35
Lunch	12:35 – 1:05

6 1:08 – 1:57

7 2:00 – 2:50

Student Dismissal 2:50

2:50 First Run/walkers/pickups

2:54 Second Run

2:56 Third Run

