Tonight is just an overview

- Information in powerpoint is an overview for parents
  (we will put powerpoint on website tomorrow for you to reference as needed)

- Information will be addressed with students during first few weeks of school.

- Students will have time after school begins to practice opening lockers, review rules and procedures, etc...
Our Job....

To prepare your child for the future!
Workplace Skills: Then
Workplace Skills: NOW

Think Critically, Solve Problems, Collaborate, Communicate, Create, Use Technology & ‘Think outside the box’
Munford Middle School

Vision Statement
Munford Middle School will empower students through STEAM.

Mission Statement
As a strong and empowered student, I will create, communicate, apply, discover, wonder, persevere, collaborate, reflect and design.
Middle School Skills/Goals

Academic Skills
- Learning, collaborating and communicating with technology
- More Self-Directed Learning
- Assignments and grades shared through Google Classroom, iNOW, social media, and school website rather than newsletter or take-home folder

Life Skills
- Interacting with an entire grade level
- Widening circle of friends
- Helping students become more independent
- Helping students refine work ethic to meet secondary school goals

Achievement of Goals
- Students track individual goals
- Documented through Digital Portfolios
- Formally shared with parents/guardians during school year
For students to receive a device on August 14th, the following criteria must be met:

- Complete Online Registration Process (Digital Device Policy was included)
- Pay Device Usage Fee (can pay for this tonight)
  - $25.00 (average of .14 per day)
  - $15.00 Protection Plan (optional)
Optional Protection Plan

To help offset the cost of repairing damage to the Chromebook, Talladega County offers an OPTIONAL protection plan.

COST OF PROTECTION PLAN
Premium - $15.00 for one school-year coverage.

Deductible - $60.00 on first claim, $90.00 on second claim, $120.00 on third claim

- If the cost of your repair is less than deductible, you only pay cost of repair
- Covers fire, accidental liquid damage and accidental damage due to impact
- Please note that neglect will not be covered

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*See Policy/Protection Plan at tcboe.org
Important Chromebook Information

• Students are responsible for the care of the Chromebook.
• Students will receive a Chromebook, case and charger
  *Chromebooks that are broken or fail to work should be taken to the Media Specialist.
• Use of Chromebooks will be an essential part of classroom instruction at MMS.
  –For this reason, bringing a charged Chromebook to class **EVERYDAY** is each student’s responsibility just like bringing notebook, textbook, pencils, etc…
Chromebooks are for Education

Unacceptable Use

- Downloaded Movies-If you do not pay for movie, it is considered ‘pirated’ (against the law)
- Downloaded Music-If you do not pay for music, it is considered ‘pirated’ (against the law)
- Financial gain
- Threatening another person
- Inappropriate sexual content
- Plagiarism (cheating)
- Misrepresenting Talladega County Schools
- Letting other people use your Chromebook
- Touching another student’s chromebook (ex. Closing it, moving it, etc…)
Digital Citizenship and Safety

- Treat others well!
- Everyone will see what you ‘write’, so think before you type.
- Students may NOT post personal information (last name, address, phone numbers, password, etc...) about themselves or other people.
- Students may NOT take off the barcodes or place stickers on the Chromebooks.
Keeping You Informed

You play a vital role in your child's education.

Because of this, we want to keep you informed.

1. School website: [mms.tcboe.org](http://mms.tcboe.org)
   - For school news, INOW (grades), to contact teachers or administrators, etc…
   - Tied to our Twitter Feed and Facebook Page (‘one stop shopping’)
   - Used to share pictures of school events and information

2. MMS Facebook

3. 6th Grade [REMIND](https://remind.com) to receive notifications from teachers:
   - Text the message **@MMS6th2020** to the number **81010**  OR
   - Email **MMS6th2020@mail.remind.com** to sign up for email notifications

To communicate directly with teachers, please contact by email at mms.tcboe.org
Important Information

How do I find out about my child’s grades, attendance, etc...

- Contact school - call school or locate staff email address at mms.tcboe.org
  1. Teacher
  2. Counselor or Administrator

- iNOW username and temporary passwords will be sent home with students in mid August - record this information in a safe place

- Google Classroom, Edmodo or Hapara
  - every core class assigns work through one of these management systems
  - Go there to check your child’s work, find assignments, etc..

A ‘Tech Tools for Parents’ meeting will be held on **Aug. 20th at 8:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.**, to show parents/guardians how to access this information
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Important Information

- School hours are 7:50-3:00 (students can begin entering school at 7:30)
- Students who arrive after 7:50 a.m. are considered tardy to school, students who arrive after that time will need to be signed in by an adult in the office
- Car Riders- pick up begins at 3:00 and ends at 3:15
- Unexcused absences-
  - Students have 3 days to bring in an excuse after an absence. If an excuse is not sent, students will receive zeros on any missed assignments.
  - 5 unexcused absences will begin the truancy process with an Early Warning Complaint
  - 7 unexcused absences will result in a court petition
- Cell phones, if brought on campus, must be turned off at all times and stored in lockers (on buses, before school and during afternoon dismissal)
Important Information

● **PE Lockers:** $5.00 for gym locker, students will need combination lock, can be paid during the first few weeks of school

● **Lost and Found:** Please write child’s name in coats, gym clothes, backpacks to help prevent items from being misplaced or sent to ‘Lost and Found’

● **Medication:**
  ○ Students who are to be administered medication at school must submit a School Medication Authorization Form (see school nurse for form)
  ○ All medication must be brought in by a parent/guardian. At no time should student have medication of any kind in his/her possession

● **Meal Prices:** (can complete lunch application online at: https://talladega.rocketscanapps.com)

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*The last day for free or reduced meal application renewal is Friday, Sept. 20th. After this date, the status of students without an application will automatically be changed to paid.*
Daily Dress Code Requirements

- **SHIRT**: Solid color pullover or button-up shirt with a collar - must be tucked in
- **PANTS**: Khaki, dark navy, or black (must fit properly)
- **SKIRT/SHORTS**: same colors as pants - no more than 3 inches above top of knee
- **SHOES**: Closed-toed
- **SWEATERS/INDOOR JACKETS**: solid color, open front or pullover sweater/sweatshirt, solid trim on collar or sleeve is acceptable, * logo no bigger than credit card
- **COATS**: Any color, but must be stored in locker
- **BACKPACKS**: Clear or mesh
- **PURSE**: No bigger than piece of notebook paper
- **BELTS**: * Can be worn but aren’t required as long as pants fit properly

See system handbook pgs. 11-13 for additional information (www.tcboe.org)
Dress Code: Shirts
Solid color pullover or button-up shirt with a collar - must be tucked in
logo no bigger than credit card
Pants / Skirt / Shorts

Color: Solid Khaki, dark navy, or black (must fit properly)    Skirt/Shorts: no more than 3 inches above top of knee
Shoes
Must be ‘Closed-Toed’
Dress Code: Sweaters / Indoor Jackets

solid color, open front or pullover sweater/sweatshirt, solid trim on collar or sleeve is acceptable (trim must be small- no more ½ inch), and logo no bigger than credit card
Coats

Any color, can have hood, but must be taken off upon entering building and stored in locker

Dress Code
Backpacks
Clear or mesh ONLY

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red pants, white shirt

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PE
ITEMS THAT ARE NOT ALLOWED

● Pants that are tight-fitting/clinging or excessively large
● Leggings/Jeggings worn as pants
  (can be worn under dress or dress-length shirt)
● Hooded items (must be removed upon entering building and stored in locker)
● Body piercings jewelry or tattoos (exception- girls may have piercings in ears)
● Clothing with rips/cuts/holes (must be patched)
● See-through clothing and Sleeveless items
● Denim/jeans

EXCEPTIONS:

● **Wednesdays**- may wear STRONG shirts with dress code pants
● **Fridays**- may wear Munford Lions or Munford Middle shirts with dress code pants
● **Announced Non-Uniform Days**- special events, fund raisers, rewards, etc…
ORDER YOUR MUNFORD LIONS GEAR TODAY

- Short and long sleeve T-shirts can be worn on Fridays as a Spirit Shirt or on non-uniform days

- Sweatshirt and Zipped Pullover are approved to be worn in school at anytime over dress code shirts

- Can order tonight in back hallway (turn right after exiting cafeteria).

Deadline to order is August 28th.
Non-Uniform Day Guidelines

**ALLOWED**
On Non-Uniform days and for Special Events (Picture day, Award’s Day, etc…)

- Jeans (any color)
- Colored, patterned, or jean shorts (*must be dress code length*)
- Dresses **with full sleeves** (dress code length)
- Colored, patterned, or jean jackets
- Leggings/Jeggings (worn under **dress length** top)
- T-shirt or other non-collared shirt
- Flowing blouses
- Joggers/long athletic pants

* Shirts can be untucked on these days
* All items of clothing must fit properly

**EXCEPTION:** Casual items such as joggers, jeans and t-shirts should not be worn on days students are being recognized in an assembly (ex. Awards Day)

**NOT ALLOWED**
On Non-Uniform days and for Special Events (Picture day, Award’s Day, etc…)

- Hooded items or hats
- Open-toed shoes
- Sleeveless or semi-sleeveless shirts (including shirts with ‘peek-a-boo’ arms or shoulders)
- Athletic shorts **of any kind**
- Clothing with rips, tears or holes that show **any** skin (must be patched or worn with leggings underneath)
- Pants that are too tight or clinging
- Pants that are too loose/baggy/saggy
- Shorts, skirt, jumper or dresses that are too short (see guidelines below)

**EXCEPTION:**
*Female students may wear open-toed shoes with dressy clothes on days they are being recognized in an assembly (ex. Awards Day)*

*Pajamas, hats, costumes, etc… may be worn on specified days such as Red Ribbon Week, Homecoming Week, etc…*
School Rules

1. Respect yourself, others and your environment

2. Be prepared for class (supplies, homework, test prep, charged chromebook, on time, etc…)

3. Follow directions and procedures

4. Stay on task

5. Take responsibility for yourself and your actions
Positive Behavior Supports

• Live School - Individual Class and Grade Level Rewards
  ❖ Digital app: Teachers provide ongoing feedback about student behavior
  ❖ Students can:
    ➢ Earn points for exhibiting appropriate behavior
    ➢ Earn demerits/lose points for inappropriate behavior.
    ➢ Redeem points for rewards such as non-uniform days, supervised free periods, ‘Lunch Bunch’, etc…
  ❖ Students and parents free app: To view all feedback, teacher comments, rewards earned, etc…
  ❖ Letter with additional details and parent access codes will be sent home in August.

• School Privileges
  – Who’s Who Dance
  – Pep Rallies
  – Field Trips
  – Assemblies
  – Club Membership: SGA, FBLA, Math, Drama, etc…
Suite 360- Digital Program for Social and Emotional Learning

1. **Student**- Weekly lessons to help students handle important topics such as responsible decision making, academic success, bully prevention, etc…

2. **Intervention**- Lessons that can be assigned as needed to help turn discipline into a learning opportunity for students. Topics include respect, academic integrity, fighting and aggression, etc… Focus is on helping students make better choices and on how to make amends for their actions.

3. **Staff**- Lessons that focus on students’ social and emotional learning

4. **Parent**- Resource for critical topics that align with weekly student lessons
   - 7-10 minute informational segments that can be viewed when convenient
   - Parent app:
   - Web address:
DISCIPLINE

Class 1 Offenses: (examples)
- excessive talking
- not in dress code
- failure to complete assignments
- not following directions

Class 1 Consequences: (each demerit=loss of 1 point)
- 1st/2nd Demerit: Warning
- 3rd Demerit: Isolation/Silent Lunch
- 6th Demerit: Parent Contact (letter, email, text or phone call)
- 9th Demerit: Office Referral resulting in OSCAR, etc..

Class 2 Offenses: (examples)
- defiance/disrespect
- horseplaying
- verbal harassment
- cheating
- defacement of school property

Class 2 Consequences:
Office referral resulting in OSCAR and/or suspension

Class 3 Offenses: (examples)
- fighting
- theft
- possession of dangerous items

Class 3 Consequences:
- Extended OSCAR
- Suspension
- Alternative School for most serious offenses or repeated Class 2 and/or 3 offenses

See system handbook pgs. 20-27 and MMS Student Handbook pgs. 3-6 for additional information.
What is Bullying?

Bullying has 4 elements
1. Pain- intentional
2. Power- ‘Perceived power’
3. Persistence- repeated act
4. Permission- onlookers/‘Silent witness’

What Bullying is NOT:
- Arguments
- Choosing one friend over another
- Being bossy
- Fighting
- Telling someone you don’t like them
- Acts of aggression, harassment or unkindness that only happen once

What to do if you/your child is being bullied?

REPORT IT

- Fill out a Bully Complaint/Harassment Report which can be found:
  - office
  - classrooms
  - hall
  - school website
  - counselor’s Google Classroom

- Meet with counselor or administrator to discuss issue
- Office will investigate and act accordingly
Additional information about MMS routines and procedures can be found in our student handbook, which will be sent home the first day of school.
Orientation Information

Agenda: See back of agenda for homeroom teacher

Reasons a child won’t have a schedule tonight:

1. New enrollee who has not yet been added to iNOW
2. Students who may be missing:
   - Online Registration
   - Updated Immunization
   - Verification of Residency

Homeroom teachers will pass out schedules tonight.

If your child does not get a schedule tonight, updated homeroom rosters will be posted in the car rider and bus hallways the first day of school.
Scheduling Abbreviations / Information

- INST I or INST II- Band (bandroom is located in back hallway, past the MHS gym)
- CntTxtRd = Reading in the Content Area
- MIGrK-6
- MathINTRV7-12= Extra Math
- Acad. Enrich. = Academic Enrichment
- Pressley- Office Assistant
- ClubAct 6-12 (7th pd.)- Archery (Darby), Drama (Dixon), Leadership Council (Macoy)
- SchPub 6-12- Yearbook
- Student Aide- Teacher Assistant
Please Note

❖ You do not have to pay for anything tonight, unless you choose to do so.

❖ In order for students to receive a chromebook on Wednesday, Aug. 14th:
  ➢ Device Usage Fee must be paid
  ➢ Online Registration must be complete

❖ If writing a check, please make sure a valid phone # is on the check.

❖ Please write your child’s first and last name in ‘For’ section of check.