

Dear 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Parents / Guardians,

Welcome to the start of the 2011-2012 school year. We look forward to meeting your student and teaching them this school year.

As a 7<sup>th</sup> grade team of teachers, we have common expectations for all of our students this year. These expectations have been put in place so your child can have a rewarding and meaningful 7<sup>th</sup> grade experience. We expect all students to follow these 4 guidelines.

**BE SAFE.** Safety is extremely important at school. We expect all students to be safe in everything they do. From no running the hallways, to safe habits in the classroom. Being safe may look different from class to class, and those expectations will be outlined at the beginning of the school year.

**BE RESPONSIBLE.** We expect all students to be responsible in a variety of ways this school year. Responsibility means bringing all materials to class all of the time, having practice work completed, scheduling re-testing opportunities, and being to class on time.

**BE RESPECTFUL.** Respect is extremely important in middle school. As 7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers, disrespect is not allowed or tolerated. We require our students to be respectful to each other, to any school staff (including teachers), and to their and each other's property.

**BE A LEARNER.** Enhancing your students learning is particularly important. To do this, we need your student to come to school each day with a 'ready to learn' attitude.

Let's have a rewarding year with your student. If you would like to be added to our homework email list, please email Kate Harken at [kharken@cca.k12.ia.us](mailto:kharken@cca.k12.ia.us). If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact any one of us.

Thank you,  
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