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Homer Junior High School Team 8A



Information from Team for Parents:

As we navigate the challenges of this school year, we understand the need for a strong home-school relationship to assist our students. We appreciate all of the support that parents and guardians are providing. We have shared a number of informational details to remind students and parents of our classroom expectations and keys to success in 8th grade. Please do not hesitate to contact your child's teachers with any questions or concerns. We look forward to continual progress as we prepare our 8th graders for high school.

[Click here for 8th Grade Bell Schedule](#)



Attendance

- To be marked present for Skills Block, 1st period students need to be on their Chromebook working on Freckle and teachers will use GoGuardian to monitor attendance. If using a personal computer, students need to email their teacher to let them know.
- To be marked present in periods 2 through 8 students need to join the Google Meet as directed by each teacher and be engaged in learning. Most days students will log into the meet right at the beginning of class and remain online until dismissed by the teacher.
- To be marked present in Junior High Work Period, 9th period students need to be working on daily tasks from 2:00-2:15. Teachers will use Go Guardian to monitor attendance. If using a personal computer, students need to email their teacher to let them know.



Google Meet Expectations

- Links for Google Meets are found in Google Classroom below the course name.
 - Students should login at the beginning of each period (unless noted otherwise by the teacher).
- Students should participate by raising their hand, writing in the chat, unmute and answer or ask questions.



Academic Work and Expectations:

Here you can find a presentation from Open House that includes specific information on every class your child is taking: [Presentation](#)

General Team Information

- Look at Google Classroom Stream for daily announcements from each teacher.
- Assignments for the day are posted prior to the class period starting
- Assignments are due at the time of the posted due date.
- Late work: late assignments will be accepted for partial credit within a unit of study. Some assignments will not be accepted late (ie. work that is reviewed in class the following day).
- You and your child should check Google Classroom using the “to do list” to see assignments for your child. Click here for a [help video](#).
- You and your child should check [Schooltool](#) for all graded assignments and look for missing work.
- Music lesson schedule can be found in Google Classroom

If you have questions or concerns please email the specific teacher for more information.

8A Grading Structure:

All teachers on the 8A team use a total points method for grading. Larger assignments are worth more points.

Averages are calculated using the following formula: **Student's earned points/Total available points.**

Please refer to individual class syllabi shared in Google classroom for each subject.



Digital Resources:

[Chromebook Help](#)

[Schooltool](#)

[Sign up for Parent Portal or get password](#)

[Schooltool Parent Portal Guidance](#)

[JH Help Videos](#)

[Junior High Staff Contact](#)

[Technology Tips](#)

[Parent Tech Resources](#)