

The 7<sup>th</sup> grade team would like to send an early welcome to you and your child. There are a few things we would like to do to help prepare you for the upcoming 2022-2023 school year.

As a school, we value the power of reading, so we are mandating that every student has a DEAR (Drop Everything And Read) physical book in their book bag. Students will be asked to read their DEAR books during all classes (not just Language Arts). Additionally, there are **Summer Reading and Math Projects** students need to work on before school begins. The Reading project needs to be completed by **Friday, October 7, 2022** and will also count as a **first quarter grade**. Here is a link to the information: <https://bit.ly/summerREAD2022>



The 7th grade math team has created a summer assignment to help students prepare for success. As they advance in their math career, the focus shifts to more complex problem solving that requires you to combine multiple skills and concepts within a single problem. Students who have their basic computational skills mastered consistently outperform those students who do not. Over the summer, you need to make sure that you have the following mathematical facts **mastered/memorized**:

1. Multiplication of integers from 0 to 12 (see tables on next page)
2. Multiplying and Dividing Decimals
3. Multiplying and Dividing Fractions

Click here to see more details on our **Math Summer Project**: <https://bit.ly/summerMATHproject7>

7th Grade students are required to present proof of their TDap and MCV vaccinations or a medical exemption in order to avoid exclusion from school. Please share this information with Ms. Young, our registrar, via email at [tawanam.young@cms.k12.nc.us](mailto:tawanam.young@cms.k12.nc.us), fax at (980)343-5557, or by dropping a copy off at the main office this summer.

**Our team of 7<sup>th</sup> grade teachers use email as our main source of communication.** Please make sure your address, phone number and email are correct in PowerSchool. You can expect to receive newsletters updating you on lessons, projects, and other important announcements regarding our classes or your child on a regular basis.



We believe strongly in the educational value of field trips to extend learning outside the classroom. Most recently, we've taken 7th graders on an all-grade level spring trip to Washington DC. Other smaller Educational Journey's may be planned for 7th graders by their individual teachers or small teams. Any field trips planned for the 2022-2023 school year will depend on the safety of travel and CMS policy.

In 7<sup>th</sup> grade, students need to complete **25 Service as Action Hours**. We urge your child to work on—and even complete—their hours over the summer. Visit the Piedmont IB Website at [www.biy.ly/SAASummer2022](http://www.biy.ly/SAASummer2022), navigate to the Service as Action tab for a link to the digital log.

Please note we will also be offering a Service as Action travel opportunity to Puerto Rico for all grade levels at the end of the year that will combine the ideals of IB education: Service Learning & Global/Cultural Awareness. Students will not only get to contribute to initiatives related to reforestation, environmental sustainability, and agricultural sustainability, but also see historical sites & participate in cultural activities, such as cooking and

dancing lessons! More information, including cost and requirements, will come at the beginning of the school year. Please note all trips depend upon CMS safety of travel policies and final district approval.

We need your support to help keep our classrooms healthy and stocked with essential necessities. If you want to donate any of the following materials at the start of year—or anytime throughout, we would appreciate your help. Below are the items most in demand:

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| <b>Classroom Teacher Needs</b> | Copy paper, dry erase markers, construction paper, Kleenex, Post-Its, paper towels, disinfecting wipes, pencils, extra glue sticks and tape, bandages, college-ruled loose leaf paper, highlighters, markers, white-out, colored pencils and pens |
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In 7<sup>th</sup> grade we want students to demonstrate responsibility by coming to class ready to learn. Students should come to each class with the proper materials. Below you will see the supply list for your child to start the year off right!



| Basics for All Classes   | Specific Subjects  |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Daily Agenda/ Student Planner</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Earbuds with Mic (for quiet use of approved technology)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Pencils (Mechanical preferred)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Colored pen(s)/ Felt tip</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Glue sticks (multiple!)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Scotch tape-<b>a must!</b></li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Scissors</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Dry erase marker(s) and eraser</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Highlighter(s)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Markers/ Colored pencils</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Index cards (3x5 with case will be needed for stems)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> DEAR book</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Box(es) of tissue and disinfecting wipes for home base class <i>and other teachers if possible!</i> ☺</li> </ul> | <p><i>* Please note that you may choose to WAIT to purchase needs for individual subjects in the event that things change over the summer.</i></p> <p><b>Individuals &amp; Societies</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 3 Ring Binder</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Loose leaf paper</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Glue sticks</li> </ul> <p><b>Language Arts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Composition notebook (at least 80 pages/ not spiral bound)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 2-pocket folder</li> </ul> <p><b>Math</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> College Ruled Composition Notebooks (NOT spiral bound)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Folder</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> College ruled loose leaf filler paper</li> </ul> <p><b>Science</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> 100-200 page notebook (spiral OR composition)</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Glue sticks</li> </ul> <p><b>* Notebooks need to be separate for different teachers (ex: <u>not</u> one 5-subject notebook) so they can be collected individually for checks.</b></p> |

We are confident that your child will have an unforgettable 7<sup>th</sup> grade year. As a team, we guarantee fun and creative projects, exciting trips and excellent teaching! If you are not already receiving a weekly voice message and email from Ms. Barone, your information needs to be updated in PowerSchool. Please email our school

registrar, Ms. Tawana Young (tawanam.young@cms.k12.nc.us) to provide any changes. In August we will call to let you know your child's home base and to give important upcoming dates. We look forward to meeting you at the Open House and Back-to-School night at the start of the school year. All of us are hoping that you have a wonderful—and restful—summer.

Sincerely,

*The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Team* 😊