

Albany Middle School

Academic Support and Resources

Do you need help with a class? Are you struggling to raise your grades? Not sure why class assignments are difficult to complete? Here is a list of suggested actions and resources available at AMS to help you and your child.

Action Steps	How to access
<p>Develop Helpful Habits</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Make sure you are getting enough sleep and having a healthy breakfast and lunch 2. Go to school every day - reach out to teachers directly when you need to be absent 3. Meet with your teachers and ask for help if you are unclear about classwork, missing assignments, homework, or tests 4. Review your Aeries regularly and Google Classroom daily 5. Make a weekly schedule or use a planner to support effective time management 6. Complete all missing assignments when possible 7. Attend free AMS tutoring program (contact your grade level counselor for more information) 8. Create a student study group with friends 9. Develop a homework schedule and routine 10. Develop a positive attitude 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Breakfast is available for free to everyone in the morning starting at 8am. Lunch is free for all students as well. 2. Letting teachers know of student absences is different from reporting absences to the office, per our Attendance Reporting Procedures. 3. To speak with teachers about your progress, students can stay after class to set up a time to talk or email teachers directly. 4. Check Aeries and Google Classroom. 5. Need help with steps 5 - 9? Email your grade level counselor: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o 8th grade: Ms. Britton, kbritton@ausdk12.org o 7th grade: Ms. Hudson, mhudson@ausdk12.org o 6th grade: Ms. Lauriks, alauriks@ausdk12.org 6. Need more emotional support (step 10)? <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o Ask your teacher for a pass to S3 for a daily dose of motivation, affirmations, and goal setting with Ms. Fisher o Speak to your grade level counselor for information about a referral to our mental health resources.
<p>Check Aeries and Google Classroom to monitor assignments and grades.</p> <p>A helpful practice may be to check Aeries once per week and Google Classroom one or two evenings a week.</p> <p>Contact a Teacher Please don't hesitate to contact teachers directly with any questions pertaining to your student's progress throughout the year. Teachers can provide observations in their class or in your student's work and offer opportunities for further support.</p>	<p>Google Classroom: To check the status of your child's assignments on Google Classroom, you will need to reach out to one of your child's teachers and ask them to add you as a parent/guardian. Once you have been added to one class, you will be able to see all of their classes. Please note the parent view and the student view are a little different in Google Classroom, so many parents prefer to have their student log in to their student account to see the information displayed in the same way.</p> <p>Aeries Parent Portal: By checking Aeries regularly, you can see the number of missing assignments and current grades in each class, attendance marks for the week, and report cards and progress reports for the year.</p>
	<p>Staff emails can be found HERE on the AMS website under Staff Directory in the Contact Us tab.</p>