

# SALEM MIDDLE SCHOOL

*Home of the Spartans*



Greetings 6th Grade Spartan Families,

As the new school year begins, I am excited to welcome each of you to the Salem Community. We are looking forward to starting off your student's middle school career on a strong note, ensuring a year filled with academic, social, and emotional growth. This letter aims to provide you with essential information to ensure a smooth transition and a successful start to the academic year. Together, we can create a supportive and enriching environment where every student can thrive. Thank you for your partnership, and I look forward to a fantastic year ahead!

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## Events

### Recent Events:

[Rising 6th Grade Night Slideshow](#)

### Upcoming Events:

Open House - All Tracks  
August 28th  
5:30 - 7:00

## Quick Reminders

- Students should bring a **CHARGED** chromebook and their charger each day to school.
- School lunch is \$4.00 this year. Applications for Free/Reduced Lunch can be picked up in the front office.
- Students should have cell phones **powered down** and **put away** while at school every day, from 8:15 - 3:00. If you need to contact your child, please call the front office.
- Stay up to date with specific information from your child's team through the team website.

## Helpful Hints to Support Your Student's:

### Academics

- Parents will need to sign up for an **Infinite Campus Parent Portal** to access information about your child's grades. Expect more information on this later in the quarter as our county continues transitioning to this new system from PowerSchool.
- Ask your student! Keep a conversation open with your student about their grades. They are your number one resource for information about their academics throughout the year.

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### Social Development

- Allow them to share their experiences about their day with you. Ask specific questions about their classes, teachers, and peers as opposed to "Did you have a good day at school or how was your day?"
- If they are having any issues, help them think through how to problem solve, even if that includes coming to a staff member. Students can request to speak to their teacher, counselor or Ms. Foster about any issue they may be dealing with.
- Check your student's Responsibility Record regularly. Have a conversation about what Salem PROUD means - this is noted in the record and emphasized in the first weeks of school.

## Team Websites

Check your team website weekly for important updates and announcements. Each team has a weekly homework board - this is your starting point for what your student needs to complete each day.

[Track 1: Supernovas](#)

[Track 3: Apollos](#)

[Track 4: Astronauts](#)

## 2025-2026 Calendars

[Track 1](#)

[Track 3](#)

[Track 4](#)

## 6th Grade Schedule

**Core 1/Homeroom - 8:15-9:12**

**Core 2 - 9:15-10:12**

**Core 3 - 10:15-11:12**

**Team Time (11:15-11:29) + Lunch (11:31-11:51)**

**Spartan Time - 11:53 - 12:23**

**Core 4 - 12:25 - 1:22**

**Elective 1 - 1:25 - 2:11**

**Elective 2 - 2:14 - 3:00**