



CATSKILL MIDDLE SCHOOL

INFORMATION SHEET 2018-2019

Dear Middle School Families,

Please review the following information for the upcoming 2018-2019 school year.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Middle School Main Office at 518-943-5665.

- **6th Grade Orientation and BBQ:**
 - 6th grade students and their parents are invited to join us on August 22nd at 6PM in the Middle School Auditorium.
- **Open House:**
 - The Middle School will be hosting our annual Open House on Thursday, September 27th. Please join us to meet your students' teachers and learn about classroom and behavioral expectations.
- **School Day:**
 - The Middle School day runs from 7:35-2:17. Students are admitted to the building at 7:25, and their **first period class begins promptly at 7:35**. As per the code of conduct, there will be disciplinary actions for students who are continuously late to school and/or class. Beginning September 23, teachers are available for extra help until 2:55 Monday through Thursday. Students staying after must sign up at the attendance desk by 12:30 and specify who they are staying with. Late buses are available on those days.
- **Guidance/Schedules:**
 - Your student's tentative schedules were sent home in June. If you have any questions or concerns regarding your student's schedule or academic progress, please contact Beth Daly at 943-5665, Ext. 1302.
- **Student Code of Conduct and Handbooks:**
 - Students will receive their Student Handbook and Code of Conduct on the first day of school. The signature page acknowledging they have read these handbooks should be returned to their first period class by Friday, September 14th.
- **Breakfast and Lunch:**
 - As a result of the Community Eligibility Provision (CEP), a federal program, all students, PreK-12 enrolled in the Catskill Central School District are eligible to receive a healthy breakfast and lunch at **NO CHARGE** for the 2018-19 school year. Students are able to participate in this program without paying a fee or submitting an application. If you would like to maintain a MySchoolBucks account for any items beyond a standard breakfast/lunch, (snacks, ice cream, etc.) you can prepay through that account. If you have a balance in your MySchoolBucks account, you may request a refund of these funds. If you have any further questions about this program, please direct your questions to William Muirhead at 943-4550 ext. 1472. The monthly lunch menu is on the School District Website at www.catskillcsd.org.
- **AM/PM Drop Off/Pick Up Procedure**
 - Vehicles may enter the Middle School circle or use the "idling" area directly in front of the Middle School on the west side of West Main Street. **Please DO NOT enter the high school campus driveway as that is reserved for buses.**
- **Modified Sports:**
 - Modified soccer tryouts will begin on Wednesday, September 5th. Any student in 7th or 8th grade interested in participating, should have submitted all paperwork to the nurse's office by August 3rd.
- **School Tool Student Information System Parent Portal:**
 - In an effort to provide increased communication to families regarding their students' progress at the Middle School, School Tool options are being expanded to include grades, interim reports, report cards, schedule, demographics, attendance information and discipline records. If you are not yet signed up for this valuable service, please fill out the enrollment form and return it to the school at your earliest convenience.