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# Welcome to Valleyview Middle School



5th Grade Orientation



# Names to Know...

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Acting Principal:

Seth Korman

Secretaries:

Janis Rowland

Linda Simonis

Counselors:

Morgan Kane (A-Ki)

TinaMarie Shea (A-Ki)

Jody McDonald (Kl-Z)

Nurses:

Jessica Seidel

Jennifer Sinha

# Regular Schedule

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Doors Open:	7:10
Supervision:	7:10 - 7:27
Locker Time:	7:27 - 7:30
Homeroom:	7:30 - 7:38
Period 1:	7:40 - 8:23
Period 2:	8:25 - 9:08
Period 3:	9:10 - 9:53
Period 4:	9:55 - 10:38
Period 5:	10:40 - 11:23
Period 6:	11:25 - 12:08
Period 7:	12:10 - 12:53
Period 8:	12:55 - 1:38
Period 9	1:40 - 2:23
Buses leave	2:29



# Full Year Courses

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Math

ELA

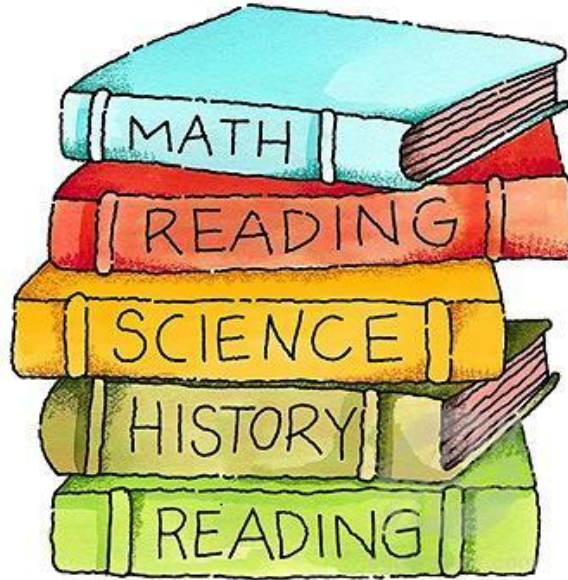
Social Studies

Science

Foreign Language (semester of Spanish and French)

Art of Writing (meets every other day)

Physical Education (meets every other day)



# Regular Schedule

- 9 period day
- Academic classes including foreign language are held during period 1-4, 6, and 7
- Lunch is period 5
- Cycle classes, Physical education and Art of Writing are periods 8 or 9



# Sample Grade 6 Schedule

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Per	Course	Sect/Sub	School	Sem	Days	Start	End	Mins	Room	Teacher	Roster
HR	600 Sixth Grade Homeroom	2 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	7:30AM	7:38AM	8	C1	Olarte/Stiles	
1	206 Grade 6 Social Studies	1 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	7:40AM	8:23AM	43	B17	Dawes, David	
2	406 Grade 6 Science	1 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	8:25AM	9:08AM	43	SCIC	Domanski, Alexandra	
3	506 MIDDLE SCHOOL SPANISH 6	3 / 1	VMS	S1	AB	9:10AM	9:53AM	43	C1	Olarte, Fanny	
3	516 MIDDLE SCHOOL FRENCH 6	2 / 1	VMS	S2	AB	9:10AM	9:53AM	43	B25	Zeman, Maureen	
4	306 Grade 6 Math	1 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	9:55AM	10:38AM	43	C5	Klinck, Laurie	
5	LUNCH-6 lunch grade 6	1 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	10:40AM	11:23AM	43	CAFE		
6	116 Grade 6 ELA Adv.	4 / 2	VMS	FY	B	11:25AM	12:08PM	43	C6	Brautigam, Morgan	
6	306 Grade 6 Math	1 / 2	VMS	FY	A	11:25AM	12:08PM	43	C5	Klinck, Laurie	
7	116 Grade 6 ELA Adv.	4 / 1	VMS	FY	AB	12:10PM	12:53PM	43	C6	Brautigam, Morgan	
8	626 STEM 6	11 / 1	VMS	Q1	AB	12:55PM	1:38PM	43	IA	Bias, Christopher	
8	716 HEALTH Gr 6	12 / 1	VMS	Q2	AB	12:55PM	1:38PM	43	C5	Worts, Denise	
8	616 COMPUTERS 6	13 / 1	VMS	Q3	AB	12:55PM	1:38PM	43	COMP	Eggert, Jeffrey	
8	636 Family and Consumer Science 6	14 / 1	VMS	Q4	AB	12:55PM	1:38PM	43	LS1	Bacchetta, Janet	
9	156 ART OF WRITING 6	19 / 1	VMS	FY	B	1:40PM	2:23PM	43	B24	McBride, Sharon	
9	706 PHYSICAL EDUCATION 6	49 / 1	VMS	FY	A	1:40PM	2:23PM	43	GYM	Whalen, James C.	

# Advisory Schedule

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Doors Open:	7:10
Supervision:	7:10 - 7:27
Locker Time:	7:27 - 7:30
Homeroom:	7:30 - 7:38
Advisory:	7:40 - 8:05
Period 1:	8:07 - 8:47
Period 2:	8:49 - 9:29
Period 3:	9:31 - 10:11
Period 4:	10:13 - 10:53
Period 5:	10:55 - 11:35
Period 6:	11:37 - 12:17
Period 7:	12:19 - 12:59
Period 8:	1:01 - 1:41
Period 9	1:43 - 2:23
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# Cycles

1 each marking period

4 marking periods

Health (every 6th grader must take)

STEM (every 6th grader will take this class)

Art

Music

Computers

Family Consumer Science





# Transition

- 5th graders attended orientation earlier today
- Students can view their schedule in the Genesis Parent Portal in late August
- There will be an Open-House in late August that will give the students the opportunity to become comfortable with the building and locate their classes.

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# Extra Curricular Activities

## Interscholastic Sports/Intramural Sports

### Fall

Soccer

Cross Country

Intramural Flag Football

### Winter

Basketball

Wrestling

Cheerleading

Intramural Basketball

### Spring

Baseball

Softball



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# Clubs

Art  
Builders  
Environmental  
Literary Magazine  
Newspaper  
Science  
Student Government Association  
STEM  
Peer Buddies  
Yearbook  
Drama/School Play



# Band and Chorus

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Crusader

Viking

Jazz

Strings



Chorus - meets on Thursday



# Chromebooks

- All 6th Graders will receive Chromebooks
- Students are expected to bring their fully charged device to school every single day.
- If students charge the device fully before school each day, as they are expected to do, the battery will last throughout the entire day.
- Students will have these devices for the duration of their enrollment at that school.



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# Agenda Books

- We will provide students with an agenda
- They need to bring it to each class
- It helps to keeps students organized
- Use it everyday (get them to write none when they don't have homework)

# Grading

- You can keep track of grades on the Genesis Parent Portal.
- The teacher enters grades for assignments and assessments once grading is completed.
- Grading Structure:     A+: 97 - 100, A: 94 - 96, A-: 90 - 93  
                                  B+: 87 - 89, B: 84 - 86, B-: 80 - 83  
                                  C+: 77 - 79, C: 74 - 76, C-: 70 - 73  
                                  D: 65 - 69  
                                  F: Below 65

# Challenges Faced by Middle School Students

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- Managing Lockers
- Changing Classes
- Negotiating Relationships with Teachers
- Using More Advanced Technology
- Wider Range of School Activities
- More Academic Rigor
- Digital Citizenship



# Things 6th-graders say in...

September

- “I can’t fit all my stuff in my locker!”
- “It is impossible to get to class on time.”
- “There is no time to write down homework.”
- “I have too much homework.”
- “The teacher never told me that.”

# Things 6th-graders say in...

October

-“I’ve organized my books for morning and afternoon classes.

-“I don’t need to use my agenda!”

-“I don’t need to study for the test. It’s not until Friday.”

# Things 6th-graders say in...

May

-“Let me tell you, it’s perfectly fine to be nervous and once you are here for a little while, everything will be easier and normal.”

-“...and most important, ASK QUESTIONS!

-“The more questions you ask, the more it makes sense here.”

## Top Questions for Incoming 6th Grade Parents:

- My child forgot his/her lunch. What do I do?
  - Bring it to school and get buzzed into the vestibule. Make sure a name is on the lunch bag and drop it on the rack inside the vestibule. A lunch aide will bring the lunches to the cafe and call out the names.

# Top Questions for Incoming 6th Grade Parents:

- My child is leaving early. What do I do?
  - Send your child to school with a note. The note should be delivered to the main office right at the start of the school day.
  - The note will be signed and used as a pass to be excused from class a few minutes prior to the time of pick up.

## Top Questions for Incoming 6th Grade Parents:

- How do I find out what goes on at Valleyview?
  - Twitter - We tweet at all great happenings at Valleyview.
    - Follow us on Twitter **@ValleyviewMS**
  - The school website [www.vv.denville.org](http://www.vv.denville.org)



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Thank you for coming



Any questions.....?

