#### If I am not feeling well, can I go to the nurse?

The Health Office is located on the first floor next to the Counseling Center. In all cases *EXCEPT EMERGENCIES*, you must go to your subject class first to obtain a pass to see the nurse. Subject teachers are responsible for their students and must be aware of their whereabouts at all times.

# What if my parents/guardians need to pick me up before the end of the school day?

If at all possible, appointments should be made after the school day, on weekends or during vacations. If you must leave early, please bring a note from your parent/guardian explaining the reason for the early dismissal. It will be necessary for your parent or adult designee to come to the front desk to sign you out. Students will only be released to adults who are listed on the Student Information Profile. You will then be called from your classroom to meet your parent in the main office. Early pickups during Period 9 (1:38-2:19) are strongly discouraged.

# What if I forget my lunch money, homework, or other materials? Can my parents /guardians come to school to give it to me?

Your parents/guardians may come to the security window to drop off your items. If items are brought to school, your name will be placed on the message board in the main lobby. You should check the board every day to see if any items are being held for you at the front desk. On the subject of money, please do not carry more than five dollars with you. Expensive items, such as jewelry, should be left at home. Please take advantage of the <a href="PaySchools">PaySchools</a> point-of-sale food service system.

#### Student ID

Student's Id must be worn at all times. All students need to be identified by all adults during the day. If a student is not wearing their ID, they will be sent to the main office for a temporary ID for the day. School IDs are a safety requirement. If you lose your ID, you must get a new one from the main office during your lunch period. A \$5. charge will be applied for a new ID.

## My parents/guardians want to know about the Middle School Parent

<u>Faculty Association</u>. (Click on link to view PFA Website.) You may contact the

PFA at: <a href="mailto:rmspfa@gmail.com">rmspfa@gmail.com</a>

#### For 2022-23 our PFA Co-Presidents are:

Sharon Somekh, Brooke Sokolov & Liz Neale

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Main Office	801-5200
Principal Mr. Johanson Grades 6 - 8	801-5200
Assistant Principals:	
Ms. Hornik Grades 6	801-5200
Mr. Roth Grades 7 & 8	801-5200
School Nurse - Ms. Guarino	801-5210
6 <sup>th</sup> Gr Counselor - Ms. DeMarco Counseling Center	801-5215
Technology	801-5080
Attendance Office	801-5215
Transportation	801-5190



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# What if I forget my locker combination?

#### And other FAQ's\* for students entering the sixth grade at the Roslyn Middle School



\*Frequently Asked Questions

2022-2023

These are some of the most commonly asked questions by students and their parents or guardians who are new to the Roslyn Middle School. More complete answers to everything you can think of can be found in the Student Handbook, which is given to every student at the beginning of the school year.

## How do I get to school and what time does school start?

Every child in the Middle School is provided bus transportation to school. Bus stops and pick-up times are established by the transportation office and you will be notified by that office before school starts. You should proceed to period 1 when the warning bell rings at 7:30 am. First period starts promptly at 7:35 am.

## My alarm didn't go off ... What happens if I'm late to school?

If you are detained at home, please bring in a note from your parent/guardian stating the reason for your lateness. You must report to the front desk (located in the main office) when you arrive at school to sign-in.

## What does it mean when I hear "A" Day and "B" Day? How does my schedule work?

Each day of the week is designated "A" Day or "B" Day. All academic subjects meet every day on both "A" Day and "B" Day. Some other subjects, such as physical education and music, meet every other day on *EITHER* "A" Day or "B" Day. Please check your schedule for the days your classes meet. We will remind you every day during morning announcements.

## I heard that I am on a team. What does that mean?

All students in the Middle School are assigned to an academic team. Teaming

gives both students and teachers the feeling of belonging to a small group which has common goals and whose members are supportive of each other. There are two academic teams in sixth grade. Each team consists of teachers of English, social studies, mathematics and science, your guidance counselor and a special education teacher.

# I heard there is a 'no backpack' policy. What does that mean and how will I carry all of my books?

You may bring your books and belongings back and forth to school in a backpack, tote bag or other bag. All backpacks, totes and other bags should be stored in your locker for the entire day. Backpacks are not permitted in the hallways or classrooms during the day. Textbooks are kept at home. Class sets of texts are also kept in every classroom.

### What if I forget my locker combination?

Ms. Daly, in the Main Office, has each student's hallway locker combination. Please see her before school or during your lunch recess for assistance. Please ask an adult for assistance if you have difficulty opening your locker. Please do not share your hallway or gym locker combination with anyone.

## When do sixth graders have lunch? What is recess like?

Grade 6 is assigned lunch during Period 5 (10:38 am - 11:19 am). You may bring or purchase your lunch each day. You may stay in the cafeteria or go to the athletic field during your lunch period. Supervised athletic activities, the computer room and the library (with permission) are available during recess.

## How much homework will I get? How should I keep track of my homework?

You will have on average about twenty minutes of homework in each class per night. This may vary. All assignments will be posted in google classroom. Any student who needs a school a planner to keep track of assignments can request one from the counseling center.

### I never had a school counselor before...what does she do?

Your school counselor provides a variety of student services. She will help to plan your program and follow your progress in your classes. Your counselor can assist you with issues relating to classwork, as well as with friends and other students. You may make an appointment in advance to see your counselor during your lunch recess. Your parents/guardians may call to speak to your counselor at any time and may also make an appointment to see her in person.

# When do I get my report card and what will it look like? What is an interim report?

An interim report will tell you and your parents/guardians how well you are doing in each of your subject areas. Interim reports are posted on the parent portal in the middle of each quarter. Daily grades are available on the parent portal. Official report cards are posted on the parent portal at the end of each quarter. Report cards will include grades for each of your classes.

#### Can I have a cell phone in school?

In the case of an emergency, office phones are available for use with permission during your lunch period and after school. Cell phones may be used after 2:19 pm. During the school day, they must be turned off and

placed in your locker upon arrival to school and removed when leaving school for the day. Parents and guardians please do not text your children during the school day; it is disruptive to the learning process. Please note: Picture taking and video recording are never permitted on campus.

## Can a 6th grade student join a sports team in Middle School?

NYS guidelines do not permit 6<sup>th</sup> graders to participate in <u>interscholastic sports</u>. However, intramural sports are open to all students and usually follow the physical education class activities.

#### What is extra help?

Extra help is an opportunity for you to meet with your individual teachers to discuss ideas that were presented in class. It takes place on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays right after school for thirty-five minutes.

## Is there a bus to take me home after extra help or club meetings?

Late buses are provided daily after school for students staying for activities or extrahelp. These buses leave at approximately 3:30pm (T & F) and 4:45pm (M, W & Th). Our library is open after school.

## What clubs and activities can a sixth grader join, and when do they meet?

Clubs are an excellent way to meet new friends, learn interesting things and to have fun! Clubs meet one or more afternoons per week from 2:50 pm to 3:30 pm. Club meeting times and room locations will be posted on the Middle School website in September. A late bus is provided daily at approximately 3:30 pm (T & F) and 4:45 pm (M, W, Th) for participants.