

Social Studies

This upcoming year in Social Studies, students in 7<sup>th</sup> grade can expect to learn about topics ranging from the discovery of North America up to the point of the Civil War. 8<sup>th</sup> graders can expect to learn about topics ranging from Reconstruction up until modern day America. Students will be completing a vast array of projects that are both hands-on and mentally engaging. Their goal should be to be as creative as possible in Social Studies—the more creative they are, the more engaging the material will be! Students can also expect to take several field trips connected to various topics. Students will be expected to maintain a 2.5 average in the class or higher to attend these field trips. In addition, their classroom behavior will have to be up to par. I look forward to meeting you this upcoming school year!



Kind Regards,  
Mr. Bachman  
(7th & 8th grade Social Studies)



Middle School Supply List



MATH	ELA	SCIENCE	SOCIAL STUDIES	SPANISH
2 packs of graph paper 2 marble notebooks 1 pack of loose-leaf 2 boxes of No.2 Pencils (NOT mechanical) 2 folders 1 ruler	4 marble notebooks 1 pack of loose-leaf 2 boxes of No.2 Pencils (NOT mechanical) Black or Blue pens 1 pack of sticky notes Highlighters (3 different colors)	1 marble notebook 1 pack of loose-leaf 1 box of No.2 Pencils (NOT mechanical) 2 folders	1 marble notebook 1 pack of loose-leaf 1 box of No.2 Pencils (NOT mechanical) 2 folders 1 pack of sticky notes	2 marble notebooks 1 pack of loose-leaf 1 Spanish/English Dictionary 2 folders 1 pack of index cards

Homeroom Supplies

2 rolls of paper towels	2 hand sanitizer	1 pack of disinfecting wipes
1 box of Band-Aids	1 pack of dry-erase Expo markers	1 pack glue sticks
4 boxes of facial tissue	1 pack of 8x11 copy paper	1 box of 6x5 zip-lock bags
1 pack of washable markers, colored pencils, & crayons		1 pack of construction paper (8x11)



June 2018



Important dates:

- Aug 30, 2018:  
Back to School Night
- Sept 5, 2018:  
1st day of school
- Sept 10-11, 2018:  
No School  
Rosh Hashana
- September 19, 2018:  
No School  
Yom Kippur

Greetings Middle School Family,

I am very pleased with all of our accomplishments this year. **100% of the 8th grade passed the Algebra Regents**, a decrease in the number of students below grade level, and an increase in the number of students on or above grade level according to preliminary NYS test scores.

In this newsletter you will find information regarding future expectations from your scholars’ teachers. We are looking forward to another productive and rewarding school year for 2018-2019!

Let’s work together and prepare to make this another successful academic year.

Have a great summer!  
*Dean Thomas*





## Spanish

Dear Parents and Scholars:

I am excited to introduce Spanish language and culture to your scholars next year! Scholars will learn the most basic functions of the Spanish language and become familiar with some elements of its culture. The emphasis is placed on the development of the four skills of listening, speaking, reading and writing connected to various disciplines and students real-life experiences.

We will be having interactive activities, project-based learning and field trips to practice inside and outside the classroom with Spanish speakers.

Nos vemos en Septiembre!

Respectfully,  
Ms. Joe



## Math

Hello incoming 7th and 8th grade Scholars and Parents!

First off, congratulations on your accomplishments thus far! We are excited for another great year up ahead. As your middle school math teachers, we expect students to perform on and above grade level at all times. Students will be given every opportunity to be successful but it is always up to you (the scholars) to want it. Middle School teachers pledge to challenge each and every student; exposing them to real life problems that people deal with each and every day as dictated by the New York State Common Core standards.. Our goal is 100% participation, 100% commitment, 100% effort...AT ALL TIMES! We look forward to another great year!

Ms. Mathews (7th grade math) &  
Ms. Mathis (8th grade math)



## ELA

**Hello Future 7th Graders, Parents/Guardians,**

We will be reading four Modern Novels in the new school year including *A Raisin in the Sun*, *Purple Hibiscus*, and *Night*. We will also be concentrating on grade level and above grade level vocabulary with an emphasis on citing evidence, comprehension, and making inferences. Scholars will be studying the mechanics of grammar as well. To add to the curriculum, scholars will visit social awareness issues in the novels as well as confront literary devices such as character, theme, plot and others in short stories and poems. I hope that you are focused and ready to begin the school year as I am excited to share my knowledge with you.

Mrs. Ruiz (7th grade ELA)

**Hello 8th Grade Students, Parents/Guardians,**

Congratulations Scholars! You are one step closer to graduating Middle School, and thus venture on to High School. Scholars will receive their summer assignments which must be completed and turned in on September 5th, 2018. For the upcoming academic year 2018-2019, scholars will be challenged by reading Shakespearean plays, High School level novels, and SAT vocabulary words. Scholars, your summer assignment is in preparation for future work. Come into the new academic year with discipline and focus to make your 8th grade year a success. I wish you and your scholars an awesome, fun summer!! See you soon!!

Ms. Assanah (8th grade ELA)



## Science

Greetings Parents and Scholars!

Congratulations on another year of success! For the upcoming school year your scholar will be challenged to critically analyze and evaluate different science events that occur. Students will be expected to keep up with the rigorous demands of the curriculum and participate in lab activities to enrich their learning experience. 8th grade scholars will be preparing for the 8th grade NYS Science Performance and Written Exam that is taken in June. Please make sure your scholar keeps all of their notes for science due to the fact that the NYS Science exam is an accumulation from all science content learned in 6th, 7th, and 8th grade.

Ms. Mbanefo-7th/8th Grade Science Teacher

