

Welcome to Eagle Mountain Middle School

Orientation Booklet for New Thunderbird Students

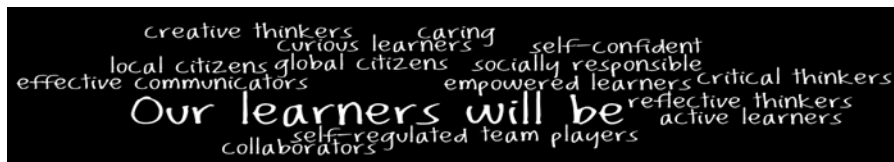


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Eagle Mountain is a vibrant, active, friendly place with many new learning opportunities just waiting for you! This will be a time to try some new activities and make many new friendships. You will soon be a Thunderbird and soar with us! Here is our Thunderbird Code of Conduct that helps us to be successful every day.














MIDDLE SCHOOL 101



- Inquiry based learning - go deeper in your learning and be personally involved in developing questions, researching for information about your topic, and presenting in a variety of ways.
- Integrating curriculum – you will be able to find many connections between different areas of learning. Often a single inquiry project will involve many or all of those learning areas.
- Flexible learning environments –ability to move around in your team and work with different teachers through the day. This helps you to learn in a variety of groups and spaces.
- Explorations – you will be working with specialist teachers in Art, Music, Tech Ed, Drama, and Computer Technology. This will help you to expand your skills and possibly find new passions.
- Developing a Growth Mindset –opportunities to learn and grow from your mistakes.

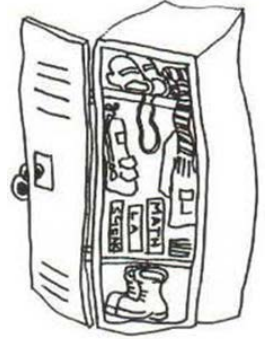
ACTIVITIES & CLUBS

There is always something fun going on at Eagle Mountain. We have many sports teams and clubs you can join. We offer volleyball, wrestling, basketball, rugby, badminton, track & field for all grade levels for both girls and boys. If you are interested in other types of activities you might want to try Band or Choir, Technology club, Ski & Snowboard Club, Me2We, Yearbook, Chess... to mention just a few opportunities. Most activities take place at lunch or after school. Band and Choir are also awesome opportunities to get your groove on!

		EAGLE MOUNTAIN MIDDLE		
Bell Schedule 2016-2017				
	MON & WED	TUES & THURS	FRI	
Prime time Attendance	 8:25 8:30	 8:25 8:30	 8:55 9:00	
Period 1	8:35 - 9:25	8:35 - 9:25	Super Block 1 9:00 - 10:30	
Period 2	9:25 - 10:15	9:25 - 10:15		
Nut Break	10:15 - 10:30 	10:15 - 10:30 	10:30 - 10:45 	
Period 3	10:30 - 11:20	10:30 - 11:20	Super Block 2 10:45 - 12:15	
Period 4	11:20 - 12:10	11:20 - 12:10		
Lunch	12:10 - 12:45 	12:10 - 12:45 	12:15 - 1:00 	
Period 5	12:50 - 1:50	"Connexions" 12:50 - 1:30	Super Block 3 1:05 - 2:50 	
		Period 5 1:30 - 2:10		
Period 6	1:50 - 2:50 	Period 6 2:10 - 2:50 		

DAILY ROUTINES

It is a good idea to come to school a few minutes early so that you can go to your locker and gather what you need for the day. You can enter the building at any time; you do not have to wait for the morning bell to come in. Always check in at the office if you arrive late or leave early. If you will be absent from school your parent or guardian should call the school or e-mail to let us know that you will be away. There is a short break in the morning that we call Nutrition Break. This is another great time to visit your locker, get a snack, and say hi to a few friends. You will have an exploration class and PE in the gym either before or after Nutrition Break so it is a good time to drop off or pick up materials, running shoes or technology from the first classes and then get prepared for the next classes. At lunch you can go wherever you want to eat, but you cannot leave the school grounds. You do not have to stay in your classroom to eat lunch.



TEAMS

Another big part of your time at middle school is about teams. You will also join one of our 4 amazing spirit-animal-inspired teams. On each team we have a combination of grade 6/7 and grade 7/8 classrooms. You will stay with your team for your 30 months of middle school.



Teams are a supportive structure that allows you to interact with many students and teachers. Quite often teams will have fun community building days and field trips together. We will be sending you an e-mail in the summer to let you know what team you will be joining.

SPIRIT DAYS & SPECIAL EVENTS

You will have a chance to participate in fun spirit days like Backwards Day, Twin Day, PJ Day...We also have a lot of school-wide celebrations such as: pancake breakfasts, BBQ lunches, musical performances, intramural activities at lunch, and other theme days which keeps the excitement going throughout the year!

BYOD - TECHNOLOGY



- Learning empowered by technology (BYOD) – we want you to bring your technology to school and use it in your learning. So, devices are for learning. When you come on to school property you are responsible to follow our code of conduct and BYOD policy.
 - We do not hang out and play video games during the day, before or after school.
 - Devices must be connected to our WiFi, so no use of personal data.
- We have a device-free Nutrition Break and Lunch. All devices should be secured in lockers when not in use during class.
 - We do not use phones to call, text, message or e-mail during the school day. Any necessary communication during the school day is best facilitated through the main office.
We do not take photos of others or post on social media without the person's permission.

SEPTEMBER!!

CAMP THUNDERBIRD

We will send you an e-mail in the summer welcoming you to your new team. We will be inviting all our new students for a special day on September 1, 2016 from 10am-12pm for Camp Thunderbird. We will have some fun activities planned to make your start to middle school memorable!



FIRST DAY, FIRST WEEK – WHAT TO EXPECT

The first day of school for all students will be on **Tuesday, September 6**. You will be visiting for only 1 hour on the first day from 11am-12pm, so leave any school supplies at home. There will be lots of student ambassadors and teachers to help you find the correct classroom to check in. The first full day of classes will be on Wednesday, September 7 with our morning bell at 8:25am. Make sure to remember your Nutrition Break snack and your lunch. You will need a few basic items such a pencil case with something to write, colour, cut and glue with. You will be assigned a locker in the first week of school. When you get your locker you will be able to bring the rest of your supplies.