

Riverwatch Middle School

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Dear Rising Riverwatch Panther:

I am so excited to welcome you to middle school---we can't wait to meet you! Riverwatch will bring you lots of wonderful opportunities, independence, and new experiences that will inform the remainder of your educational career.

We want you to know that we see you and understand that starting something new can be hard. We will be here to support you and guarantee that you are prepared for your first day of 6th grade. Prior to the start of school, we will have opportunities for you to come to Riverwatch to learn how to open your locker, see where key locations are around the school, and meet your teachers. We are sure that you are prepared for this next step because your elementary school teachers have ensured that you are ready.

Middle school is a time of exploration and self-discovery so that you figure out how you learn best and for what you truly have a passion. Our primary focus at Riverwatch is building relationships. We believe that relationships are the foundation of all things, but especially learning. We want to equip you with soft skills and tools that will help you be the best version of yourself that you can be. We build time into our daily schedule to focus on learning about you and helping you learn more about yourself. We want you to come to school every day excited about all the opportunities that are here to meet new friends, learn about new things, and get involved in clubs and organizations that are interesting and fun. Here you are going to learn what it means to be H3--- Happy, Healthy, and Hardy! We believe that: happiness is achieved when you can believe in your ability to succeed. Healthiness comes when you can balance your efforts between your academic goals, the relationships in your life, and self-care. Hardiness comes from developing a growth mindset so that you can face challenges with resilience.

Enclosed is a [timeline](#) that details all the virtual and face-to-face events and tours that will provide for you a time to learn more about RMS between now and your first day of school, August 3, 2023. Additionally, we have included a [form](#) for Fine Arts class connection options. We have wonderful band, chorus, and orchestra offerings and we want to ensure that we have accurate information in order to provide the optimal learning environment. We look forward to seeing you on campus soon—Go Panthers!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carrie MacAllaster".

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