

PETERS TOWNSHIP PARENTS
OF THE CLASS OF 2030



MR. SIKORSKI
Principal



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Assistant Principal

**WE LOOK FORWARD TO
WELCOMING YOU TO THE MIDDLE
SCHOOL COMMUNITY!**



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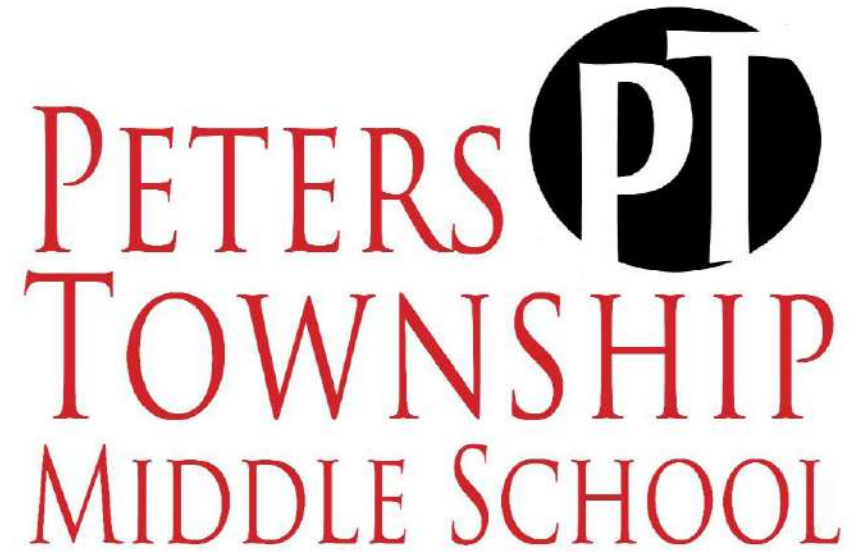
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MIDDLE SCHOOL MODEL

- **TEAMING MODEL**
- **ONE BELL SCHEDULE**
- **ROBUST ELECTIVE PROGRAM**



SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS

- **6th Grade Classrooms are located on the main floor of the school.
(Closer to Administration and Counseling Offices.)**



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MRS. HICKS
7th Grade Counselor

MRS. KENNY-MASSARO
★
6th Grade Counselor

MRS. WAWRZENIAK
8th Grade Counselor

6TH GRADE TEACHERS



Just a Typical Day at PTMS



7:45 am
Student Arrival

8:00 am
Start of School Day

2:55 pm
Student Dismissal

Class Length: 41 minutes
Pass Time: 4 minutes

All students will have...



Seven periods of classes

Homeroom (17 minutes)



Team Building



Academic Activities

Lunch (30 minutes)

Study Lab and/or
Musical Performance

CLASSES

CORE CLASSES



Math



Reading



Writing



Science



Social Studies

SPECIAL AREA CLASSES



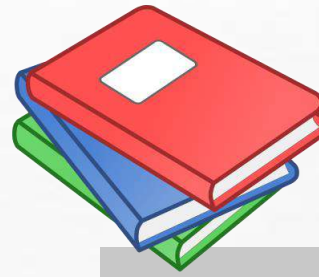
Practical Arts



Fine Arts

Music
Gym
Health

SIX WEEK
SPECIALS



Computer Applications

French Exploratory

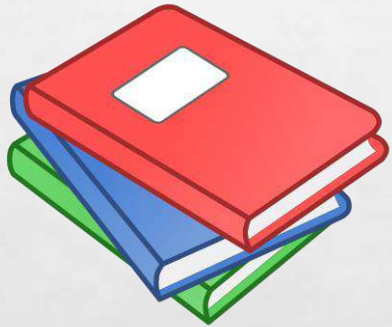
AIW

Spanish Exploratory

Intro to Innovation

German Exploratory

TWELVE WEEK SPECIALS



PHYSICAL EDUCATION /HEALTH

Your child will need a
combo lock and gym
uniform – shorts and
t-shirt in school colors.

ART

MUSIC

- 🎵 Comprehensive
- 🎵 Chorus
- 🎵 Strings Instrumental
- 🎵 Band Instrumental



STUDY LAB

OR *Performance music classes*

Option 1

**STUDY LAB
EVERYDAY**




Option 2

**STUDY LAB +
1 performance
music**

Option 3

**NO STUDY LAB
2 performance
music classes**

STUDY LAB

-  Complete homework
-  Make appointments to visit teachers for additional help
-  Make-up missed assignments



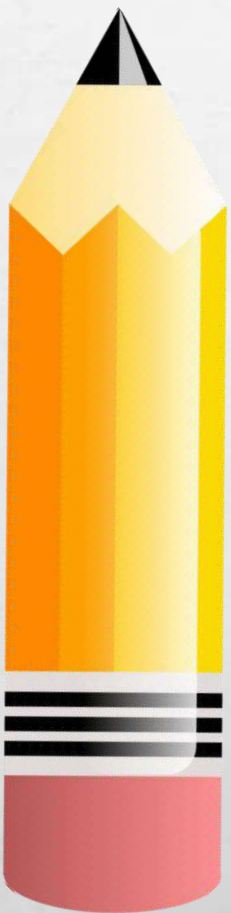
*CHORAL
ENSEMBLE*

BAND

OR

ORCHESTRA

Option 1 STUDY LAB EVERYDAY



Option 2 STUDY LAB + 1
performance music

COMBO 1

STUDY LAB & CHORAL ENSEMBLE

COMBO 2

STUDY LAB & BAND

COMBO 3

STUDY LAB & ORCHESTRA

CONFUSED
yet?



Option 3 NO STUDY LAB
2 performance music
classes

COMBO 1

CHORAL ENSEMBLE & BAND

COMBO 2

CHORAL ENSEMBLE &
ORCHESTRA

PTMS Sample Schedule For 6th Grade Students

Period	Term	Course Name	Enroll	Leave
P1	23-24	Reading 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P2	23-24	Math 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
HR	23-24	Homeroom 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P3	T1	Instrumental Music 6	08/28/2023	11/28/2023
P3	T2	Art 6	11/29/2023	03/05/2024
P3	T3	Physical Education 6	03/06/2024	06/07/2024
P4	23-24	Lunch 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P5/6	23-24	Writing 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P7/8	23-24	Science 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P9	23-24	Social Studies 6	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P10	X1	French 6	08/28/2023	10/09/2023
P10	X2	German 6	10/10/2023	11/28/2023
P10	X3	AIM	11/29/2023	01/18/2024
P10	X4	Computer Apps 6	01/19/2024	03/05/2024
P10	X5	Intro To Innovation	03/06/2024	04/25/2024
P10	X6	Spanish 6	04/26/2024	06/07/2024
P11	23-24	Study Lab (days 1, 2, 3)	08/28/2023	06/07/2024
P11	23-24	Band 6 (days 4, 5, 6)	08/28/2023	06/07/2024

An Incoming 6th Graders Biggest Worries 🙄

#1 Lockers

- **Your child will be assigned a locker**
 - All lockers have a combination lock
- **Lockers can be accessed between classes**
 - It is your child's responsibility to keep his/her locker organized and clean

We suggest...

- ✚ Buy a combination lock and have them practice over the summer
- ✚ Remind them that...
 - ✚ The first week of school will be the most challenging – it will get easier!
 - ✚ The Guidance Office has all the combinations written down (if they forget!)

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#2 Getting Lost & Being Late

- **The First Day Schedule is Adjusted**
 - Allows additional time for students to get organized
 - Teachers will be in the halls to help students find their way
- **Students typically adjust quickly to changing classes**
 - Time management is key!
 - As long as they are direct and efficient, they will not struggle to get to classes on time.
- **If late, have a pass from a staff member**

We suggest...

- ✚ Having your student attend the 6th Grade Orientation held in August to walk their schedule and practice their locker combo
- ✚ Remind them that staff members will be there to help

An Incoming 6th Graders Biggest Worries 🙄

#3 Homework



● Will your child have homework? YES!

- It is typical to have homework almost every night (especially in math)

● Don't let it pile up!

● Online Homework – Canvas Parent App
Teachers post a “Week at a Glance” in Canvas that explains the assignments for the week.

● Grades reported in PowerSchool

Other Information

Absences

- It is your student's responsibility to speak with each teacher and ask about make-up work.
- If your child is out for 3 or more days...
 - Notify the Main Office, nurse and/or your child's counselor
 - Check the Week-at-a-glance for assignments
 - Students can access some assignments on Canvas
- The Make-Up Work Policy can be found in the student handbook (under the "Parent Quick Links" tab on the website).

Notes to the Office

 Attendance Notes

 Early Dismissals

- Must be turned into the attendance secretary in the Main Office

Other Information

Dress Code

● TOPS

- No vulgar, obscene, or offensive words or pictures
- No references to drugs, alcohol, or tobacco

● BOTTOMS

- Skirts and shorts cannot be too short or too tight and of an acceptable length
- Under garments cannot be seen at any point

● MISC

- No hats, but yes to flip flops

Cell Phones



Are permitted, but must be **SHUT OFF** and **KEPT IN LOCKERS** at all times

- Your child may use the phones in the Main Office when needed.

Music Course *requests*

Parents/Guardians must complete a Google Form indicating which 12-week music class their child would like to take for 6th grade. All students take one 12-week music class.



1. *Comprehensive Music* – General music class, most like what students had at McMurray.
2. *Band Instrumental Music* – This class is for students who play a band instrument. Students selecting this option will also take the Band performance music class.
3. *Strings Instrumental* – This class is for students who play an orchestra instrument. Students selecting this option will also take the Orchestra performance music class.
4. *Chorus* – For students who love to sing. There will be an evening performance at the end of the trimester as part of this class. Students who take Chorus also have the option of taking the Choral Ensemble performance music class.

6th Grade Orientation



This event is for students and will
be held in

August

Students will get a chance to...

- See their schedule
- Find their classes
- Open their locker
- Meet new students

*Check our website for updated
information this summer!*

Clubs/Activities at the Middle School

Bits of Lit

Newspaper

Forensics Team

**Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science
(PJAS)**

Best Buddies Program

Science Olympiad

The Green Team

Spelling Bee

Math Counts

Student Council

Musical

Yearbook Staff

National History Day



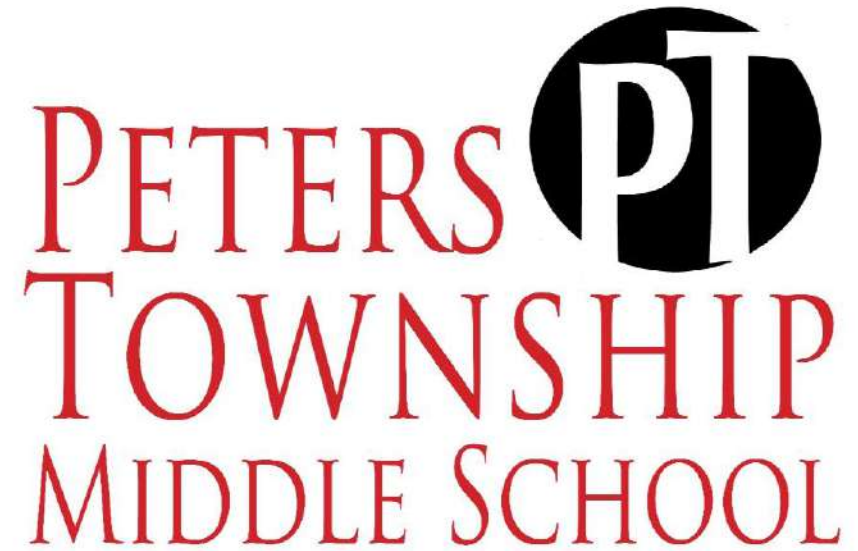
6th Grade Classrooms



6th Grade Classrooms

COMMUNICATION

- **RELATIONSHIPS**
- **TRANSITION**
- **TEAM MEETINGS**
- **WHO TO CONTACT**
- **EMAILS**
- **POWER SCHOOL**
- **CANVAS**





THANK YOU FOR
COMING!

We hope you enjoy the rest of your evening!

