

# Welcome 5<sup>th</sup> grade Parents!



**TRANSITION MEETING  
HIDDEN OAKS AND  
TWIN OAKS  
MIDDLE SCHOOLS**

# Middle School Staff



## Twin Oaks Staff:

Dr. Dan Edwards: TOMS Principal

Mr. John Dahl: TOMS Asst. Principal

Mrs. Sarah Loechler: TOMS Counselor

## Hidden Oaks Staff

Mr. Sasha Kuznetsov: HOMS Principal

Mrs. Julie Siegle: HOMS Asst. Principal

Mrs. Rhonda Soukup: HOMS Counselor

# Daily Schedule-6 period day



## ***Daily Schedule***

Period 1	7:25 – 8:18	53 minutes
Period 2	8:23 – 9:16	53 minutes
Period 3	9:21 – 10:14	53 minutes
<b>Period 4/lunch</b>	10:10 – 11:12	53 minutes (30 minutes lunch/18 minutes Primetime)
<b>Period 5/lunch</b>	11:17 – 12:10	53 minutes (30 minutes lunch/18 minutes Primetime)
<b>Period 6/lunch</b>	12:15 – 1:08	53 minutes (30 minutes lunch/18 minutes Primetime)
Period 7	1:13– 2:06	53 minutes

Schedule allows 5 minutes passing time to accommodate for street crossing

# Registration Steps



- **STEP 1:** Carefully review the course descriptions (on the web site) to make your selections.
- **STEP 2:** The week of Feb 6th, Middle School Guidance Counselors will visit 5<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms. Students will receive a registration packet and registration form. A parent signature is required on the form.
- **STEP 3:** Registration forms are to be returned to your child's 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher.

# Highlights – Grade 6



- “Housed” in Separate Areas of the Buildings
- Student Responsibility
- Opportunities for Spectrum classes  
(Art, IT, FACS, Music, Spanish)
- 6<sup>th</sup> grade advanced course opportunities:  
Math, English, Science and MN Studies

# 6<sup>th</sup> grade Schedule



Course 1	Math Concepts 6/Math 6/Advanced Math 6
Course 2	English/Advanced English
Course 3	Science/Advanced Science
Course 4	MN Studies/Advanced MN Studies (one semester, every day) Phy. Ed. (one semester, every day)
Course 5	Band/Choir/Music Exploration & Digital Technology (EOD) Spanish A (EOD)
Course 6	One quarter each: Health/Art/FACS/IT (every day)

# Highlights – Grade 7



- Opportunities for Advanced Courses in English, Math, Science and US History
- Continuation of Spanish
- Opportunities to choose from various electives (Art, IT, FACS, Business, music, Spanish, PE)

# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule



Course 1	PreAlgebra Concepts /PreAlgebra/Advanced PreAlgebra
Course 2	English/Advanced English
Course 3	Science/Advanced Science
Course 4	American History/Advanced American History
Course 5	One semester each: Phy. Ed. and Health (EOD) Elective Choices (EOD)
Course 6	Elective Choices (EOD) Elective Choices (EOD)



# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule



Elective **choices** (every other day):

Choir 7	Band 7	
Spanish B	Art/Tech & Clay	
Design & Modeling	Art & Crafts	Trans &
Aerospace	Keyboarding	Let's Get
Cooking	Webpage	Cook-Bake-Sew It!
PE BLAST	PE 4 LIFE	So You
Think You Can Drum?		

# Highlights – Grade 8



- Advanced Courses in English, Math, Science and Social Studies
- Opportunities to choose from various electives (Art, IT, FACS, Business, music, PE)
- Transition to the High School!

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule



Course 1	Algebra Concepts /Algebra/Advanced Algebra
Course 2	English/Advanced English
Course 3	Science/Advanced Science
Course 4	Global Studies/Advanced Global Studies
Course 5	Elective Choices
Course 6	Elective Choices

# 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule



## Elective **Choices:**

Band 8

Choir 8

Spanish I

Spanish II

German I

French I

Intro to French

Intro to German

Personal Training

Health in the Digital World

Keyboarding

Wall Street

Photoshop Art

Time Travel Art

Fashion & Sewing for Teens

Foods for Entertaining

All Amped Up

Civil & Architectural Engineering

Automation & Robotics

PE Attack (can be chosen 1, 2, 3, or 4 times)

# Course Placement Guidelines



## **ADVANCED COURSES**

- Prior Lake-Savage Area Schools is dedicated to and invested in each student's success, as it is important that each student be provided with an appropriate level of challenge
- To match students' academic readiness a placement consideration process is used.
  - ✦ Advanced Courses are designed to meet the needs of students who are motivated, highly capable and require higher levels of academic challenge.
  - ✦ Variables considered to determine which students would be placed in each Advanced Course sequence
    - assessment scores
    - historical student performance

# Advanced Placement Consideration



Math	English	Science	Social Studies
*90% (+) MAP Math	*90% (+) MAP Reading	*90% (+) MAP Math  *90% (+) MAP Reading	*90% (+) MAP Reading

# Course Placement Guidelines



## **ADVANCED COURSES (continued)**

- Advanced Courses in English, Science and Social Studies
  - same outcomes and curriculum as mainstream courses
  - variations in pacing, depth and complexity of study
  - increased level of expectation regarding student work
- Advanced Math courses
  - are designed to accelerate students through the curriculum
  - faster pace and added depth of content

# Extension Courses



## **Reading EXTENSION – Grades 6, 7 and 8:**

### **Placement:**

- **test scores and teacher recommendation**

### **Schedule:**

- **6<sup>th</sup> , 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> grade every day year long**
- geared to the student who needs additional support in reading; providing opportunities for growth in vocabulary, critical comprehension, and fluency
- This class is not an elective and does not replace their required English class.



# Extension Courses



## **MATH EXTENSION – Grades 6, 7 and 8:**

### **Placement:**

- **test scores and teacher recommendation**

### **Schedule:**

- **6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade every other day year long**
- **8<sup>th</sup> grade every day year long**
- geared to the student who needs additional support in basic math skills, as well as current math coursework
- This class is not an elective and does not replace their required Math class.

# Middle School is a time for tremendous growth and your child needs your help to make it through!!



- SOCIALLY
- EMOTIONALLY
- ACADEMICALLY
- PHYSICALLY
- COGNITIVELY



# Schoology-how to stay connected



- The best way to stay connected is to set up a daily email summary in Schoology. This sends you one email a day with all homework listed for your child.
- Schoology also has a ton of resources for you and your child!
  - A calendar with upcoming due dates
  - Actual assignment links to print at home
  - Many teachers post class notes
  - Resource links to get extra help

- Recent Activity
- Grades/Attendance
- Mastery
- Calendar
- Messages
- People
- Subscriptions 323
- Advisees
- App Center

Search

Summary Calendar Grades Attendance

May 2014							Month	Week	Day
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
27	28 Day 2 - Chapter 15 Your Body Systems	29 Minnesota Student Survey Data 2013 Project - Step Three 11:59 pm	30 15.3 & 15.4 Reading Guides Due 11:59 pm Day 2 - Chapter 15 Your Body Systems	1	2 Graphica Poem Adaptation 11:59 pm Day 2 - Chapter 16 Your Body Systems Master Ninja (optional) Master Ninja (optional)	3			
4	5 Animals Study Reminder - Chapter 16 Test 11:59 pm Minnesota Student Survey Data 2013 Project - Step Four 11:59 pm Ecology Food Web Project 11:59 pm Review	6 List 15 Activities Due Chapter 15 Test Day 2 - Chapter 15 Your Body Systems Test	7 List 15 Reading Passage Due 11:59 pm Graphica Final Draft Due 11:59 pm	8 vocabulary Quiz 15 11:59 pm Day 2 - Chapter 17 Growth and Development	9 Get RED	10			
11	12 Day 2 - Chapter 17 Growth and Development	13 Minnesota Student Survey Data 2013 Project - Step Five 11:59 pm Civil War Presentation	14 Day 2 - Chapter 17 Growth and Development Civil War Presentation	15 Study Reminder - Chapter 17 Test 11:59 pm	16 #Footprint Black Belt Green Belt Day 2 - Chapter 17 Growth and Development Test #Footprint Black Belt #Scholar #Scholar #Online #Online Green Belt White Belt White Belt	17			
18	19	20 Day 2 - Computer Lab 709	21	22 Day 2 - Computer Lab 709	23 Last Day to Turn in Missing/Late Work for Science 11:59 pm Textbooks Handed In 11:59 pm	24			
25	26 No School - Day Off	27 Day 1 Final /Semester 1	28 Early Release Day	29	30 No School - Teachers	31			

# Infinite Campus



- Infinite campus is the place to look to view:
  - Attendance
  - Grades-assignments, tests
  - Any missing work
  - Teacher comments
  - You can download the infinite campus app to receive notifications of grade postings and missing assignments.



MapQuest...

Integra We...

Perform -...

Walt Disne...

Microtel In...

Apple iPho...

Diatomace...

Integra We...

New Pragu...

Campus...

SELECT A STUDENT



Sign Out

13-14 MS

Grade: 07



Calendar



Schedule



Attendance



Grades

To Do List



Reports



Demographics



Family

Messages



Household Information



Family Members



Calendar



Food Service



To Do List



User Account

Contact Preferences



## Grades

### Recently Graded Assignments

Posted	Course	Assignment	Score	Total	Percent
9 hours ago	PREA7D - Pre Algebra 7	Pg. 364, #1-19 odds, #44-50	5	5	100.00%
20 hours ago	SOC7D - Social 7	World War II Review or Extension	30	30	100.00%
20 hours ago	SOC7D - Social 7	World War II Practice Quiz	19	20	95.00%
1 day ago	SCI7D - Science 7	Genetics Assessment	43	45	95.56%
1 day ago	Q4ARTB - Art B	leaf unit-color pencil study	43	50	86.00%

### Grades By Course

Expand All

Collapse All

In-Progress Grade Final Grade

#### Q5ARTB-4 Art B - HOVERSON

	Tri1	Tri2	Tri3
MS PROGRESS GRADE			
TERM GRADE			

#### Q4ARTB-6 Art B - HOVERSON

	Tri1	Tri2	Tri3
MS PROGRESS GRADE			

Grading Task Summary				
Legend: <span style="background-color: #d4edda;"> </span> Final Grade <span style="background-color: #fff3cd;"> </span> In-Progress Grade <span style="background-color: #f8d7da;"> </span> Grade Not Available Yet				
Grading Task	Quarters Q1	Quarters Q2	Quarters Q3	Quarters Q4
TERM GRADE	A- 91.41%	B+ 89.62%		
SEMESTER GRADE		B+ 89.62%		

Q1 TERM GRADE Detail								
Category: Tests & Quizzes (weight: 70.0)								
Name	Due Date	Assigned Date	Weight	Pts Poss	Score	%	Turned In	Comments
Microscope Quiz	09/27/2016	09/20/2016	1.0	14	14	100		
Science Root Word Quiz	10/04/2016	09/29/2016	1.0	15	14	93.33		
Chapter 1 Test	10/12/2016	10/05/2016	1.0	32	27	84.37		25, test repair completed
Ch 1 Review Guide	10/12/2016	10/06/2016	1.0	5	5	100		
Tests & Quizzes Totals				66	60	90.9%		
Category: Lab Work/Projects (weight: 20.0)								
Name	Due Date	Assigned Date	Weight	Pts Poss	Score	%	Turned In	Comments
Safety Contract	09/23/2016	09/19/2016	1.0	5	5	100		
Measurement Lab	09/25/2016	09/20/2016	1.0	20	18	90		
Microscope Lab	09/30/2016	09/26/2016	1.0	20	19	95		
Goldenrod Assignment	09/30/2016	09/28/2016	1.0	10	7	70		
Raptor Video & Medical Record	10/25/2016	10/17/2016	1.0	10	10	100		
Cell Models in Class	11/10/2016	11/09/2016	1.0	2	2	100		
Animal (cheek cell) and Plant Cell Lab	11/10/2016	11/04/2016	1.0	20	17	85		
Lab Work/Projects Totals				87	78	89.65%		
Category: Daily Work (weight: 10.0)								
Name	Due Date	Assigned Date	Weight	Pts Poss	Score	%	Turned In	Comments
Textbook Scavenger Hunt	09/13/2016	09/08/2016	1.0	5	4	80		
Textbook Cover	09/13/2016	09/08/2016	1.0	5	5	100		
Planner Check	09/15/2016	09/12/2016	1.0	4	4	100		
Planner Check 9.22	09/22/2016	09/19/2016	1.0	4	4	100		
Scientific Method Book Questions	09/23/2016	09/12/2016	1.0	5	5	100		
Planner Check	09/29/2016	09/26/2016	1.0	3	3	100		
Root Word Pct	10/04/2016	09/27/2016	1.0	10	10	100		
Dich.Keys & Ch 1 Pink WS	10/11/2016	10/04/2016	1.0	10	10	100		
Raptor Scavenger Hunt & Research	10/14/2016	10/12/2016	1.0	10	10	100		



# What if I have questions for teachers?



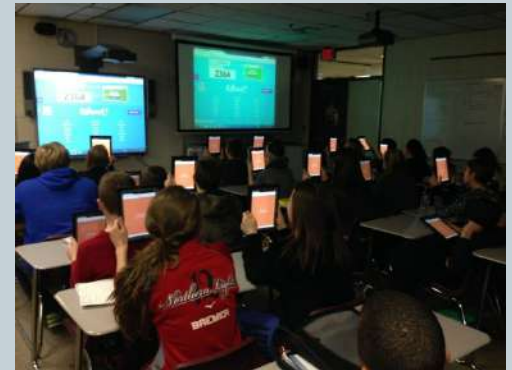
- Best way to connect with teachers is email. Best to use their @priorlake-savage.k12.mn.us email. Most only check their plsas.org (Schoology account email) on a periodic basis.
- We also have evening conferences one a quarter.



# Middle School support programs



- WEB (Where Everybody Belongs)
- Managing Middle School Week (M&M Week)
- Second Step (weekly character Ed lessons)
- PBIS



# Spring/Summer Transition Events



In May:

- Students will be sent a letter notifying them of middle school placement.
- 5<sup>th</sup> grade students will tour their new middle school and have a Q & A session with current students. Students will be given the middle school transition guide which addresses many common concerns students have in entering middle school.
- Spring parent meeting (TBD date) at each school to address social/emotional concerns and any further questions specific to each school regarding the transition.

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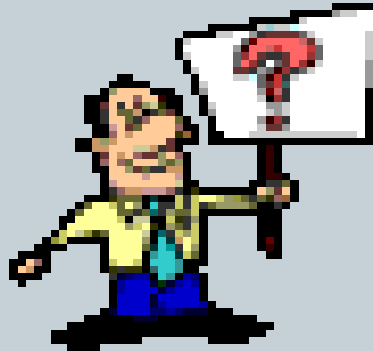
## In August:

- The week before school we will hold a Back To School night, where students and parents/guardians can meet the teachers.
- WEB program (Where Everybody Belong) is a summer orientation day that pairs 6<sup>th</sup> graders with an 8<sup>th</sup> grade mentor. It is a morning full of fun activities and sharing of school information. Additional information with the exact date/time will be sent in the spring.

# Q & A



We are happy to address any comments/questions. Please write your question on a note card and pass it to the end of the row.



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Thank you for coming! We look forward to working together with you and your child in the Fall!

