Questions about 6th Grade

**How do we choose electives for 6th grade?** You can find the registration form on the Counselors’ Corner Page under the Parents & Students tab on Center Hill Middle School’s webpage. Just click the red button titled “6th Grade Registration for 2022-2023” located to the left in the middle of the homepage.

**How do we know which classes to go to?**  You will be given a schedule on Schedule Pickup Day or on the first day of school. (Make sure your parents have completed the online registration and brought in any needed proofs of residency, if necessary!)

**When will we get our class schedules?**  You will pick it up on Schedule Pickup Day or receive one on the first day of school.

**How many classes are there in a day?** You will have 8 periods with a total of 6 classes. (English and Math are blocked, along with, Science, Social Studies and two electives.) You will no longer have recess. Electives include Band, PE, Choir, Music and Study Skills.

**How much time do we have in each class?**  English and Math are 96 minutes each, and the other subjects are 48 minutes each.

**When do we switch classes?**  Students may leave when you are dismissed by your teacher.

**Are the school times different?** Yes. 7:40 am to 3:40 pm. Tardy bell rings at 8:00 am.

**Are we using lockers?** No. There are hooks in each classroom to hang your backpack. Be mindful to keep only what you need in your backpack and keep your items organized.

**Are there clubs and sports for 6th grade?**    No, but you will have electives.

**Is it hard to figure out where to go?** No, teachers will be around to help you for the first few weeks. If you forget where your classes are, someone will help you. There are also signs above each door that indicates the teacher’s name. You will not be counted tardy for the first week of school.

**Do we have certain activities every day?**  Yes, you attend the same classes and activities daily.

**Do we have assigned seats in class?**  Yes, the teacher will determine your seating arrangements.

**How much time do we have between classes?**  You have 4 minutes to get to class.

**How far are your classes from each other?**  The majority of your classes are on C Hall. For those that are not, they will not be too far away.

**Do we have a lot of homework and/or tests?**  You will have homework daily and sometimes over the weekend. Tests will be given for each core subject on scheduled week days.

**Is the dress code different in Middle School?**  Yes, refer to the Student Agenda.

**Dress codes will be strictly enforced.  No ripped jeans above the knee. Leggings should only be worn with a top that comes to your fingertips. No hats. Hoodies should not be covering your head once you enter the building.**

**When do we have breaks?** You will have a 10 minute break/snack time daily. This is the only time you can eat and drink in class.

**How long is lunch time?**  25 to 30 minutes. You will eat lunch with your class. You are **not** allowed to sit at different tables, and you **will** have assigned seats.

**Does CHMS have Spotlight?** Yes, we have Spotlight for 6th grade **only**, and it is one of your Elective choices if you qualify.

**Are 6th graders eligible to play sports?** 6th graders are **not** eligible to play sports until 7th grade.

**Do you serve breakfast at your school?**  No

**May we sign up to be Library and Office Workers?**  No, those positions are selected by school staff or counselors.

**Can we have our cell phones in our rooms?**  No. If you bring a cell phone, it needs to stay in your backpack turned off.

**Do we sit at tables or desks?**  It is the teacher’s decision.

**Where can we go if we need help with schedules and/or classes?** the counselors’ office

**Can we change our schedules?** You can put in a request to change your schedule for electives **only** the first week of school. Changes **will not** be made on basis of teacher preference or friendships.

**What supplies will we need?** Each grade will have a collective supply list posted on the school webpage. Some teachers may ask for specific items for their class, but you will be notified.

**How do we visit the library?** Teachers sign passes for students to visit the library, as needed. You will also come with your English class every other week for a lesson and graded classwork. This time is also used for checking in and out books.

**Do we have a school nurse?** Yes, but you will need to get permission from the teacher in order to visit the nurse unless it is an emergency where the nurse needs to come to you.

**Am I able to be in the hallway during classes?** Only if you have a note with permission by your current class period teacher.

**Am I able to go to the restroom during class?** You should go to the restroom in between class times. Students in 48 minutes classes will not have permission to go to the restroom. During block classes (96 minutes), teachers will allow for a scheduled break.