



ALEXANDER MIDDLE SCHOOL

"In the middle – kids come first."

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In addition to "jumping into a new school year" our students have been busy with many beginning-of-the-school year activities, including: Picture Day, Vision Screening, MAP Testing, School Spirit Day and grade level field trips. An exciting new Robotics Club for 7th and 8th grade students is underway with the guidance of our Technology Education teacher Mr. Dave Osterbrink and student teacher Mr. Adam Klonowski. The Robotics Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday after school from 2:45 to 3:40 p.m. for any student interested. Our clubs/groups are a great way for your child to make friends and expand their knowledge, so please help to encourage their participation.

It is still early in the year, and some warm days make us forget about the cooler temperatures on their way. When the time arrives we want you to know your child will be going outside during recess whenever the "wind chill" is "0" or above. Students really need to dress accordingly. It is not too early to write student names inside coats, hats, mittens, boots, etc. When the world turns white, fourth and fifth grade students will need snow pants, boots and other winter gear to fully participate in recess.

This year to help with costs we have eliminated our AMS Homework Hotline. For this reason each grade level has set up the following sites for parents and/or students to access daily assignments:

4th grade= <http://amsgrade4.com> – under homework grade 4

5th grade= <http://amsgrade4.com> – under homework grade 5

6th grade= <http://ams6.wikispaces.com/Assignments>

7th grade= <http://7thgradeassignmentsheet.wikispaces.com>

8th grade= <http://amsgr8.wikispaces.com>

We encourage students and parents to keep up on their grades and daily assignment grades by using PowerSchool. If you have any questions on how to access PowerSchool, please call our Guidance Department at 886-8046 anytime between 7:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., they would be happy to assist you. Please remember that your children are important to us, if you ever have any questions or concerns please let us know so we can help.

Additional Dates:

November 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 10 – Book Fair, AMS Stage

November 5 – Parent Teacher Conferences, 4:30 – 8:00 p.m.

November 6 – Parent Teacher Conferences, 8:00 – Noon

November 9 – AMS MVPs Meeting 6:30 p.m., AMS IMC

November 17 – AMS Choir Concert @ NHS, 7:00 p.m.