



DEDHAM MIDDLE SCHOOL

WELCOME BACK 2021-2022

SCHOOL STARTS THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 2021

To get ready for the first day of this new school year, below is a summary of all the key information you will need to start school on September 2!

TIMING	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● START TIME: Homeroom will be a "rolling start"...this means students will be entering from 8:10-8:25, grabbing breakfast, checking in at homeroom, and then starting their day. (After 8:25, students will be considered tardy.)● END TIME: School ends at 2:35 pm. Students will be dismissed at this time.● LATE BUS: Every Tuesday & Thursday at 3:45pm, starting on September 21.						
HOMEROOM	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Every day begins in your homeroom. For our first few days back at school, homeroom time will be extended for students to reconnect, learn and practice schedules, and to review the 3 R's of DMS.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Here at DMS, we believe in the 3 R's: Being Responsible, Respectful, and Resilient. These characteristics within our community promote a positive school climate. When we are accountable for our choices, promote regard for others, and persevere in our lives, we can become an even stronger community.● Attendance will be taken every morning during homeroom AND in each class!						
TECHNOLOGY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● All students will be issued a DPS Chromebook with their name on it.● Student PowerSchool accounts have their teacher assignments and schedule in it. Be sure both students and families know how to login: https://dedham.powerschool.com/public/● Please make sure Chromebooks are plugged in overnight so they are well charged for the day!● Dedham Schools are happy to help families get needed internet access. Please contact the Main Office if you need internet access help.						
SAFETY	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Students and staff will be required to wear masks when indoors.● There will be hand sanitizing stations throughout the building.● Students will be seated 3 feet apart when eating breakfast and lunch (these are FREE for all students!)● When not in class - be sure students are practicing COVID safety. <p>**All COVID related safety will be in accordance with guidance from Dedham Board of Health.</p>						
HELP!	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● General questions about Dedham Middle School?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Contact the Main Office: 781-310-7000● Questions about the schedule or need support from our counseling team?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Elizabeth Pedersen - Grade 6 and Grade 7 (A-K) epedersen@dedham.k12.ma.us○ Kevin Quaranto - Grade 8 and Grade 7 (L-Z) kquaranto@dedham.k12.ma.us● Having trouble logging in? Chromebook Trouble?<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Contact: Julie Morrison, Library Media Specialist, at jumorrison@dedham.k12.ma.us						
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