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SMS Virtual Back to School Night!

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Dear SMS Families,

On behalf of the South Middle School administration, faculty and staff, we cordially invite you to attend our Virtual Open House which will be held for grades 6, 7, and 8 on Tuesday, September 22nd. Parents/Guardians will follow an abbreviated “A” Day class schedule. This year will be different and we will be utilizing Google Classroom to allow you to virtually navigate your child’s schedule. Please follow the steps below in order to access the scheduled Google Meets that will be held by your child’s teachers:

1. Have your child log into [Google Classroom](#) using their student account information.
2. Have your child’s “A” day schedule handy so that you know which classes to attend and when to do so.
3. Starting at 6:15 PM, open the Google Meet link at the top of your child’s “A” day, first period Google Classroom.
4. Follow the rest of your child’s “A” day schedule by clicking on the appropriate Google Classroom on the Google Classroom Homepage. Upon entering the Google Classroom, click on the Google Meet link at the top of the page.

During this virtual Back to School Night, you will have the opportunity to become acquainted with the members of our staff, our programs of study, and specific course expectations and requirements in each subject.



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Open House will follow an “A” day schedule. Please refer to the schedule for your child’s respective grade level when accessing your child’s Google classroom/meets.

Period	Grade 6	Period	Grade 7	Period	Grade 8
1-2	6:15 - 6:25	1-2	6:15 - 6:25	1-2	6:15 - 6:25
3-4	6:30 - 6:40	3-4	6:30 - 6:40	3-4	6:30 - 6:40
5-6	6:45 - 6:55	5-6	6:45 - 6:55	5-6	6:45 - 6:55
7	Lunch	7-8	7:00 - 7:10	7-8	7:00 - 7:10
8-9	7:00 - 7:10	9	Lunch	9-10	7:15 - 7:25
10-11	7:15 - 7:25	10-11	7:15 - 7:25	11	Lunch
12-13	7:30 - 7:40	12-13	7:30 - 7:40	12-13	7:30 - 7:40
14-15	7:45 - 7:55	14-15	7:45 - 7:55	14-15	7:45 - 7:55
	10 minutes per class period with a 5 minute transition		10 minutes per class period with a 5 minute transition		10 minutes per class period with a 5 minute transition

Please review the concepts below.

- **Parent Portal:** If you have not already signed up for Parent Portal, please email the following grade level assistant and you will be contacted for a virtual appointment.
 - Lzazzi@necsd.net - 6th grade
 - Lmeyers@necsd.net - 7th grade
 - npedrazanegron@necsd.net -8th grade

(If you have more than one student please only email one grade level assistant)

Parent/Teacher Conferences: Open House is a time for parents/guardians to meet the teachers working with their child. Any discussion regarding an individual student’s progress is reserved for the Parent/Teacher Conferences. If you would like to meet a specific teacher that is not on the A Day schedule please send an email to the teacher.

Parent Advisory Group

Parents

Leaders



Stakeholders

Members

Together
Everyone
Achieves
More

Decision
Makers

Change
Agents



What is a Parent Advisory Group?

It is a committee made of of parents who offer suggestions for parental involvement activities and guide the school in important decision making.



Why should parents get involved?



Advocates

Many parents don't realize that they make a difference in school practice and procedure. Join today to have your voice heard.



Opportunities

Parent membership offers a unique opportunity for teachers and other staff members on the team to hear about the insights, perceptions, and concerns parents have as they shape the school's vision for learning.



Success

At South Middle school, we know that you were your child's first teacher. Your continued involvement is paramount to the success of our school.

How can I get involved and what are the expectations?



You're Invited

If you're interested in becoming part of our Parent Advisory Group complete the form below



Partnership

Your membership will help support and assist the school in developing and maintaining active family-school-community partnerships



Time

Your time is valuable and precious and your presence is requested at **monthly** organized meetings with set agendas.

Complete this [form](#) if interested in joining.