



# Matawan-Aberdeen Middle School

## *Home of the Huskies*



August 1, 2022

Greetings MAMS Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year!!! I hope this finds you all well rested and enjoying the summer months. As a long time educator, the summer months have always provided me some time to rest, relax and rejuvenate while spending quality time with friends and family. This time also offers me the opportunity to reflect upon the past school year as we prepare for the upcoming one.

As the school year quickly approaches and we prepare to welcome everyone back in September, I wanted to share some important information including upcoming events that will assist with a smooth transition back to school. Please review the following information and be on the lookout for additional information regarding the opening of school which will be shared with you on **Thursday, September 1st**. If you have any questions, please contact the MAMS Information Desk at [mamsinfo@marsd.org](mailto:mamsinfo@marsd.org) or 732-705-5400 and a member of our MAMS Front Office Team will be able to assist you.

### 2022-2023 Bell Schedule

The Bell Schedule has been updated to reflect the addition of an **Advisory Period** at the beginning of the day. Doors will open at 8:10am and students should report directly to their assigned Advisory Room upon entering the building. Daily attendance will be taken promptly at 8:15am; students arriving after 8:15am will be recorded as tardy.

### Student Schedules & The Parent Portal

We will be transitioning to a new student information system called **Genesis** for the 2022-2023 school year. Information on accessing the New Parent Portal will be sent to parents/guardians on **Tuesday, August 23, 2022**. While setting up the New Parent Portal in Genesis, please be sure to update all contact information to ensure that you receive phone, email, and text message communications from our MAMS Team throughout the school year. Student schedules have been finalized and will be released on **Tuesday, August 30th**. Please note that due to availability, elective offerings are limited and requests to change electives will not be honored.

### 6th Grade Orientation Program

We would like to invite all incoming 6th grade students to attend "The MAMS Experience" orientation program on **Monday, August 29th**. Students attending this program will receive their schedule, tour the building and hear all about what MAMS has to offer. The 6th grade orientation program will be broken up into two sessions, please adhere to the following schedule:

- **6th Grade Orientation Program**
  - **Students with a Last Name that begins with A-L - 8:30-10:00am**
  - **Students with a Last Name that begins with M-Z - 10:30-12:00pm**

**In order to properly prepare for this event, we ask that you kindly RSVP utilizing [this form](#) for the 6th Grade Orientation! In order to provide a safe and orderly environment, we need to limit attendance to only 1 parent/guardian per student.**

### [New Student Orientation/ Walkthrough](#) - (Optional)

We would like to invite any 7th Grade students or 8th grade students that are new to the district to join us for a brief overview and tour of the building on **Monday, August 29, 2022** between the hours of 1:00-2:00pm. Students interested in taking advantage of this opportunity should adhere to the following schedule:

- New Student Walk Through - **Monday, August 29, 2022, 1:00 - 2:00pm**

***In order to properly prepare for this event, we ask that you kindly RSVP utilizing [this form](#) for the New Student Orientation! In order to provide a safe and orderly environment, we need to limit attendance to only 1 parent/guardian per student.***

### [Self-Contained & Specialized Programs Orientation](#) (By Invitation Only)

We would like to invite the parents and students in our LLD, Autism, MD and BD programs in for a program overview and Meet and Greet with their teachers, case managers and Instructional Assistants on **Friday, September 2, 2022** from 9:00-10:30am. Invitations for this event will be sent out the week of August 15th.

### [Back to School Night](#) - **SAVE the DATE!!!**

The MAMS Team would like to invite you to the 2022-2023 MAMS Back to School Nights scheduled for **Tuesday, September 13** and **Thursday, September 15**. The purpose of Back to School Night is to provide you the opportunity to meet your child's teachers and become familiar with grade level curricula and classroom expectations. We are looking forward to an exciting event that will be full of information to kickstart the new school year.

Additional information regarding the MAMS Back to School Night format will be sent out on September 1. Please note that due to limited parking availability, it is necessary that we split the grades to better accommodate families. Please adhere to the following schedule:

- **6th & 7th Grade Back to School Night/ Parent Orientation**
  - Tuesday, September 13, 2022
    - Parent Meeting - 6:00-6:30pm MAMS Auditorium
    - Teacher Presentations - 6:30-8:30pm
- **8th Grade Back to School Night/ Parent Meeting**
  - Thursday, September 15, 2021
    - Parent Meeting - 6:00-6:30pm MAMS Auditorium
    - Teacher Presentations - 6:30-8:30pm

### [MAMS PTSO](#)

The 2022-2023 MAMS PTSO Membership Drive is officially underway!!!! If you would like to join the MAMS PTSO, please complete and submit the **[PTSO Membership Form](#)** to **[mamspto@marsd.org](mailto:mamspto@marsd.org)**. Without the dedication and support from this wonderful organization, many of our student incentive programs would not be possible.

Thank you again for your continued support. I hope you are able to enjoy what is left of these hot summer days. See you in September!!!

Sincerely,

***Michael C. Wells***

Principal