



Welcome to Nitschmann Middle School!

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Communicate With Us!

Our team values communication and parent involvement. Please feel free to contact us through phone, email, or your student's planner. (Email is best.) Your student's planner will occasionally contain comments or concerns. Please take the time to review the planner on a daily basis.

WE ARE TEAM LEHIGH!



A Roaring & Soaring Partnership!



Each sixth grade team adopted the name of a local college or university to create a team identity. Your sixth grader is part of Team Lehigh. Throughout the school year, Team Lehigh students will have the opportunity to meet and work with Lehigh university students, athletes, professors, and coaches.

Do you have a twitter account?

Follow us! @nmsTeamLehigh



Reminder : If you plan on volunteering to help with Team Lehigh events and/or activities, you must have the appropriate clearances. Please see the NMS website for more information.

IMPORTANT TEAM INFORMATION

STUDENT PLANNERS

Student planners are filled out, checked, and reviewed on a daily basis here at school to assist in improving academic performance and encouraging student responsibility. The planners will always indicate homework, tests, quizzes, projects, teacher notes, and any other important information. Students are expected to carry their planner with them and record all homework, tests and assignments in it. As a parent or guardian, our cluster of teachers asks that you take time to review your student's planner on a daily basis. We want you to help your student keep track of his/her performance so you are up to date with academic grades and progress when report card times and conferences occur. Also, use your student's planner as a guide when scheduling appointments. Please schedule appointment times around tests, quizzes, and projects, or try to keep all appointments outside of school hours.

TEAM HOMEWORK POLICY

The Bethlehem Area School District Board policy states: "Homework is expected to be completed by students outside the school day and can count as much as 10-25% of the student's quarterly report grade." Please make time in your daily schedule to provide an atmosphere which is conducive for your child to study and help him/her schedule and implement study time. Homework is designed to give meaningful activities that will reinforce classroom concepts. Homework will be given as the teacher feels necessary. Points will be deducted from a student's homework average if an assignment is late or incomplete. Students are to write their assignments in their planner. If your child is absent, it is the student's responsibility to find out what work was missed upon their return. You may request missed work by emailing the team leader. Please allow 24 hours for the teacher to gather the missed work.

TEAM GRADING POLICY

Grades are available on the Home Access Center (HAC). We encourage you to check the HAC periodically. Grades are issued at each quarterly marking period. Current school year marking periods are listed in the BASD calendar, available on the district website. Students will receive an interim progress report at the mid-point of each marking period and will also receive a final grade at the conclusion of each quarter.

NUMERICAL GRADE EQUIVALENTS FOR LETTER GRADES

A+ = 97-100 A = 93-96 A- = 90-92 B+ = 87-89 B = 83-86 B- = 80-82 C+ = 77-79 C = 73-76 C- = 70-72
F = 69 and below

TEAM EXTRA HELP POLICY

The student is responsible for his or her academic and behavioral success. The teacher is available from 3:05-3:25 P.M. on selected days to assist your child. If your child is in need of assistance beyond the classroom, he/she should make efforts to communicate with the instructor to determine how to best meet his/her individual needs in a timely manner. It is the student's responsibility to use the Extra Help Calendar to sign up for after school extra help. Extra Help Calendars are located in each academic teacher's classrooms. It is the student's responsibility to arrange for transportation at the end of their Extra Help Session! If the student needs a bus pass, he or she must let the teacher know before leaving the Extra Help Session!

TEAM CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT PLAN

Each classroom teacher has a Classroom Management Plan that includes a list or description of expected student behaviors and/or prohibited student behaviors within the class and consequences for failing to adhere to the procedures. The classroom teacher will manage the consequences for students who violate the classroom regulations outlined in the teacher's Classroom Management Plan.

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS

1. Be here...be ready to learn.
2. Be respectful.
3. Be responsible.
4. Be actively engaged in learning.
5. Follow instructions the first time.

CONSEQUENCES

1. Verbal Warning
2. Student-Teacher Conference
3. Teacher Detention - parent notification
4. Parent/Guidance Contact
5. Code of Conduct Referral