Dear 6th Grade Families,

We are looking forward to meeting your student next week on Monday, 8/31(last names A-K) or Tuesday, 9/1 last names L-Z). We have planned a day to allow your student to meet their teachers and become more familiar with Helena Middle School. We are starting the day outside on Vigilante Stadium at 8:05 am. If you are dropping off your student, please do so as close to this time as possible. When your student arrives at school, teachers will be outside directing them where to go. Students will start the day with their advisor teacher. It is extremely important that your child come to school knowing the name of their advisor teacher. This way they can easily locate them on the field.

Part of the day will involve students organizing their backpack and materials that they will need at school on a regular basis. Please have your child bring the following materials from the Supply List found on the [HMS Webpage](https://hms.helenaschools.org/). Some of these materials are class specific and noted in the list. We ask that you view your child's schedule in PowerSchool to know if your child will need all the materials.

* Mask (bandanas and neck gators are not allowed)
* Pencil Pouch
* 2-5 pencils a day
* Eraser
* Handheld pencil sharpener
* 3 Writing Pens (blue or black)
* 2 Correcting pens (red ink)
* Colored pencils
* Highlighters (pink, green, yellow)
* 3 spiral notebooks (Social Studies/Read 180/Math)
* 2 composition notebooks (Science/English)
* Zipped three ring binder/trapper keeper
* 1 package of loose-leaf paper-100 sheets
* 2 pocket folders (3 hole punched)
* Calculator
* 3 dry erase markers
* Earbuds
* 3 boxes of Kleenex
* Water Bottle

The district is still in the process of determining when and how district Chromebooks will be distributed. In the meantime, your student is encouraged to bring a laptop/Chromebook if they have one. If they have one, they can bring it their second day of school (9/3 or 9/4).

There will be no breakfast service on these two days, but school lunch will be available. Students can bring their own lunch. Students will be dismissed at 1:40 pm.

As your student’s advisor I can be a good point of contact for questions that you may have. Please feel free to contact me if needed.

I am looking forward to a fabulous year!

Best,

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