

OASIS

HOUSE



Dear Oasis House Member,

Welcome to seventh grade, Harrington Middle School, and The Oasis House!

The 2018-19 school year promises to be full of academic success, social growth, and hopefully some fun! Seventh grade provides you with the opportunity to acquire and demonstrate responsibility for your actions, acceptance of consequences, and to experience a productive, positive learning environment.

Classroom procedures and our rules and expectations will be reviewed with you during the first week of school. The ability to organize, plan ahead, and take responsibility is essential to a successful academic experience. As your teachers, we will strive to help you be as successful as possible and have the very best experience while you are on our team. In addition to your classroom supplies, please bring a positive attitude with you to school. We look forward to seeing you in September. Enjoy the rest of your summer!

Ms. Spicer, Language Arts: sspicer@mtlaurelschools.org

- 1.5 inch 3-ring binder, 5 dividers, 3 2-pocket folders, lined paper, pens/pencils, composition book, sticky notes
- *Optional: fun-colored writing utensils*

Mrs. Lubin Randall, Math: elubin@mtlaurelschools.org

- 3-ring binder (about 1 ½"), 6 dividers, pencils

Mrs. Mitchell, Math: kmitchell@mtlaurelschools.org

- Lined paper, pens/pencils, erasers, highlighters, red or other colored pen, Post-it notes, reinforcements
- *Optional: calculator*

Mrs. Arnot, Mrs. Topolski, Mrs. Hennegan, Algebra/Geometry:

- TI-Nspire CX Graphing Calculator
- 2- 2 inch binders
- Lined paper and graph paper

Mrs. Burleson, Science: tburleson@mtlaurelschools.org

- Large 3-ring binder, 8 dividers, pens/pencils, reinforcements
- *Optional: scissors, glue sticks, colored pencils, highlighters*

Mr. Sides, Social Studies: rsides@mtlaurelschools.org

- Notebook, colored pencils, two pens/pencils

Mr. Wasco, All Subjects: twasco@mtlaurelschools.org

- 3 binders with dividers, lined paper, 2 spiral notebooks, composition notebook, pencils, colored pencils, glue stick, scissors, tissues

Ms. Genzer, Language Arts: mgenzer@mtlaurelschools.org

- (4) marble composition books - college ruled (must be sewn/not spiral)
- (2) two-pocket folders
- Several packs of sticky notes
- (2) jumbo 2.5 gallon storage slider Ziplock baggies
- Glue stick, roll of clear tape, pens, pencils, color pencils, white out

Mrs. Wireback, Language Arts: bwireback@mtlaurelschools.org

Keep in mind off-team teachers(i.e. Algebra/Geometry, electives classes) may require additional materials

ALL students are required to purchase and have their own EAR BUDS (to be used in their classes).

Students will keep them in their lockers and be responsible for them all year.

ALL students will need a planner.

Dear Parents and Students,

Team Oasis would like to that this opportunity to welcome you and inform you of expectations that will ensure a successful school year. There are a few items we wish to review.

Our team philosophy is to focus on the positive. We will start the school year by setting goals in each subject area, and will encourage perseverance in attaining goals. We will celebrate successes and learn from setbacks throughout the year.

We believe homework is important and aids in helping students make the most of their experiences in school. Homework enables teenagers to develop self-discipline, cultivate a sense of responsibility, and foster organizational skills. Parents are the key to making homework a positive experience for their children. Therefore, we ask that you provide support and encouragement by doing the following:

- Make homework a top priority with your child.
- Give your child praise and support when homework is completed responsibly.
- Frequently check your child's grades online.
- Contact us if you notice a problem.

There may be times during the school year that your child's team of teachers needs to contact you or you may need to contact us. The quickest and most convenient way to do this is often through email. We have listed our addresses below this letter.

As a final reminder, summer reading requirements are listed on the district website under 7th grade. Please be prepared to discuss this book on the first day of school. In addition, we would like to encourage you to also read the book, *Wonder*, by R.J. Palacio. Team Oasis wants to do activities based on this book when we return in the fall. Please be prepared to discuss this book with all of the Oasis teachers.

We are looking forward to an exciting and productive school year. Enjoy the rest of your summer, and we will see you in September.

Sincerely,

Team Oasis