

Dear Parents and Students,

Team Oasis would like to take 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 you 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

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Oasis 8 Supply List

General Supplies

Ear Buds
4 dozen Pencils sharpened
Several Blue or Black Pens
Loose leaf filler paper – 4 packages
3 highlighters
Pencil sharpener
Colored Pencils
Glue Stick
Pencil pouch

Social Studies – Mr. Stewart

1 – 3 subject spiral notebook with perforated sheets
1 – folder

Language Arts – Mrs. Malast

1 – 2 inch binder with 4 dividers
2 – 1 subject spiral notebook

Language Arts – Mr. Morrissey

1 – 2-2.5 inch binder with 5 dividers
1 -3 hole punch that fits inside rings of binder
Loose leaf paper
Pack of post it notes
8th grade level novel

Language Arts – Ms. McLaughlin

1 – 2 inch binder with 4 dividers
Loose leaf paper
A novel
1 – Pocket folder

Science – Ms. Davis

1 – 2 inch binder
Loose leaf paper

Mathematics – Mrs. Sklar

Ear Buds
1 – 2 inch binder
1 – 2 pocket folders
Calculator (TI-34)

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.