



FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS ABOUT CAMP ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL

What are the school hours? The bell to line up for homeroom rings at 8:23 AM. If students arrive after 8:30 AM, they are tardy and must report to the main office with a parent. The school day ends at 3:30 PM. In the morning, the school security gates open at 7:30 AM, and students report to the cafeteria until they are dismissed to their waiting area at 7:50 AM. Students arriving between 7:30 AM-7:50 AM are expected to quietly read, complete school work, or use their phone (one ear bud out).

What about bus riders and car riders? Buses load and unload on the right side of the campus in the rear of the school near the cafeteria. Car riders load and unload on the left side of the campus in the rear of the school near the performing arts wing.

What will my child's schedule be like? There are four sixty (60) minute academic classes-ELA, math, science, and social studies; **two** related arts periods (45 minutes each); and **one** 45 minute lunch/recess period. Students change classes each period and have a different teacher each period.

What is related arts time?

If students are enrolled in band, strings, or chorus, they will meet each day for that class all year long in either the morning or afternoon related arts time. During the other related arts period, students will rotate each of the four nine weeks among one of the following classes: art, French exploratory, Spanish exploratory, pre-engineering, and computer literacy. All non fine arts students will have a semester of PE/Health and rotate among art, French exploratory, Spanish exploratory, pre-engineering, and computer literacy. The PE/Health class is a requirement to fulfill the SDE Comprehensive Health Act. **Students in PE are required to dress out and purchase a PE uniform.** Also, students are allowed to sign up for two fine arts yearly classes (band, strings, and chorus) as their two related arts classes.

What is the difference between honors and non-honors classes?

For honors recommendations in **ELA** and **math**, the student must earn a specific point value (5 out of 7 points) on the CCSD Middle School Honors Rubric. The criteria include:

- the highest score from spring 2019 MAP RIT, fall 2019 MAP RIT, or winter 2020 MAP RIT
- most recent SC Ready score
- end-of-year average
- Gifted and Talented status

For honors recommendations in **science**, the student must earn a specific point value (4 out of 5 points) on the CCSD Middle School Honors Rubric. The criteria include:

- the highest score from spring 2019 math MAP RIT, fall 2019 math MAP RIT, or winter 2020 math MAP RI;
- end-of-year average
- Gifted and Talented status

For honors recommendations in **social studies**, the student must earn a specific point value (4 out of 5 points) on the CCSD Middle School Honors Rubric. The criteria include:

- the highest score from spring 2019 reading MAP RIT, fall 2019 reading MAP RIT, or winter 2020 reading MAP RIT
- end-of-year average
- and Gifted and Talented status

What about Honor Roll? There are two levels of Honor Roll for each nine weeks: “Principal’s”-90 or higher in all classes (including related arts); “A/B Honor Roll”-all As and Bs.

What are lunches like? Students have the option of bringing their lunch or purchasing their lunch from two full-service lunch lines that will include the traditional hot lunch menu and a salad bar

What sports are available for my child? JICHS B-team football for 7th and 8th graders; Trident Area League basketball; middle school coed tennis league; middle school girls’ volleyball; middle school co-ed golf; middle school coed soccer; middle school girls’ softball; and middle school baseball. Students may participate in some sports at the high school level beginning in the seventh grade.

What’s up with girls’ volleyball tryouts? Prior to COVID-19, the school was considering not having tryouts in May as in past years. Instead, the school and our parent volunteer coordinator had suggested that we have open gyms in July and tryouts the first week of August. This will still be the plan unless we are given other directions by CCSD in regards to COVID-19 health and safety measures.

What else can my child become involved in as a sixth grader?

- Career exploration activities under the direction of our career counselor, Mrs. Ciucci
- Yearbook staff
- James Island Players production of a fall and spring musical under the direction of Mrs. Stewart
- After school clubs which include art club, robotics team, chess club, science club, Step team, Junior Beta (students are inducted in the seventh grade based upon grades as sixth graders), guitar club, outdoor club, and other clubs as the school continues to determine student interest and find faculty sponsors.

How does the school communicate with the home? The school has a Facebook page, *Camp Road Middle School*; the school’s web site: <https://camproad.ccsdschools.com>; a weekly electronic parent newsletter that can be linked through the web site; the Blackboard dial out system, which is used for special events; Remind; and Parent Portal, which is accessible for parent viewing of students’ grades. Students also have their own username and password to Parent Portal to check grades. You are encouraged to like us on Facebook now and link to our weekly e-newsletter now.

What about dress codes, lockers, book bags? Students do not wear uniforms but have a strict dress code, which will be posted, on the school web site and in the student handbook. Each student will have a cubby in homeroom. Book bags are allowed but can’t be taken from class to class. Beginning in the 2020-21 school year, hooded sweatshirts will not be allowed to be worn during the school day in the building.

What is the school’s school cell phone policy? Students are allowed to bring their cell phones to school and use them before school while in the cafeteria, or morning waiting area. Once students enter homeroom, their cell phones must be placed in their cubbies for the day. Students may use their phones as they are exiting the building at dismissal.

Are we having summer reading this summer? Because of the uncertainty as to when we will move into the new building, and when the library will be set up, we will not have our traditional summer reading program and summer reading party. Students are encouraged to participate in the CCPL summer reading incentive program.

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