



What You Want to Know about

FSMS

1. How many students attend FSMS & FCMS?

Between 1450 and 1500 students

2. What time does the school day begin and end?

8:55-4:10 but students can arrive at 8:10 to go to Commons. They are dismissed at 8:20am from the Commons to go to the library or tutorials if they choose.

3. How many classes do we attend each day?

7 unless it is an Advisory day and then it is 8

4. How much time do we have between classes?

5 minutes

5. What is the average amount of homework given each night?

There will be homework in Math usually every night. The other classes will vary depending on the level. All AAC classes may have homework more often than the on-level classes.

6. When will we get our locker assignments and schedule?

Orientation – new schedules given to everyone on the 1st day of school (ok if you miss Orientation). Schedules go live in Skyward about a week before school starts.

7. How long is the lunch period?

30 minutes – There is no recess in middle school.

8. How much money should students bring for lunch?

\$3-\$5: It is advised for parents to put money into lunch accounts.

9. What do you do in Advisory?

There will be lessons on Character Ed/Goal setting/Social Emotional Learning/Multicultural and much more.

10. Can 6th graders participate in school sports?

No

11. Can we put decorations inside or outside of our lockers?

No – inside only

12. What happens when students are tardy to class?

Lots of grace is given the first few weeks of school for 6th graders. Students can have their planners signed for tardies, not being prepared for class, etc. After 5 signatures the student is referred to the assistant principal's office.

13. Does the middle school offer tutorials?

YES! Before and after school! And they are VERY well attended.

14. Do middle school students take field trips?

Sometimes with their elective classes.

15. Can we carry cell phones?

Per Texas State Law, no cell phones are allowed out in the building during the school day. Students are not allowed to use them in class. They can be used 8:10-8:45 am before school and starting at 4:10 pm after school. If you are caught with a phone during the school day, it will be taken up and you will get it at the end of the day. After 3 times your parent has to pick it up and then you are not allowed a phone at school at all. Smart watches are not allowed either.

16. How do middle schoolers get report cards?

Parents will have access to report cards in Skyward Q. Students do not receive report cards. There are progress reports posted every 3 weeks, and report cards every 9 weeks. Please let students know they are encouraged to check/monitor their grades as well. This is crucial, as they will be able to see if they have any missing assignments. Parents are encouraged to sign up for Skyward notifications, where they are notified of failing grades, missing assignments, etc.