

Welcome to Harpool Middle School



Home of the Longhorns!

Your Administrators.....



Jeff Smith
Principal



Matt Willoughby
Assistant Principal

Your Counselors.....



Grade Level Counselor
6th grade
8th grade A-L



Mrs. Kent
Grade Level Counselor
7th grade
8th grade M-Z



Mr. DeLaGarza
Student Assistance
Counselor

Resources for Success

- The following are people that you can go to if you need extra help or assistance. Your teachers are always wonderful helpers, but sometimes you may need one of the following people to assist you.....



Officer Wilkinson
Student Resource Officer
(SRO)

Verification vs Registration

Go to Denton ISD homepage. Click the Parent tab and it will take you to the information page.

Verification is a two step process.

1. Complete the information as a RETURNING STUDENT.
2. When you come up for schedule pick up, you will need to have a copy of your proof of residency.

Our School



TIME

Classes start at 8:20 sharp!



8 periods a day & each are
45 minutes long except
advisory which is 40 minutes.

School ends at 3:20!



What you need to know about “Middle School”

Team Concept



- * What are Teams?
- * Why are they a good idea?

6th Grade Teams

6-1



6-2



6th grade hallway....your color of the year is GREEN!



6th Grade Required Courses

What you have to take.

- English
- Reading/Expo
- Math
- Science
- Contemporary World Societies
- PE/Wellness
- Advisory
- **There are no enhanced classes at 6th grade level.**



Physical Education

Uniforms will only be sold online. Go to Harpool website for more information...

There will be two opportunities to purchase uniforms – once during the summer and once at the beginning of the year.

Proper fitting tennis shoes that tie (stay on foot when kicking).

Write student's name on uniforms.

Remember, PE clothes must be appropriate length according to school dress code requirements.

Dress out everyday.



Longhorn GYM



Elective Choices

What you choose to take.

- Beginning Band
- Choir (G=girls) & (B=boys)
- Beginning Bass or Continuing Orchestra
- Elective Wheel



BAND



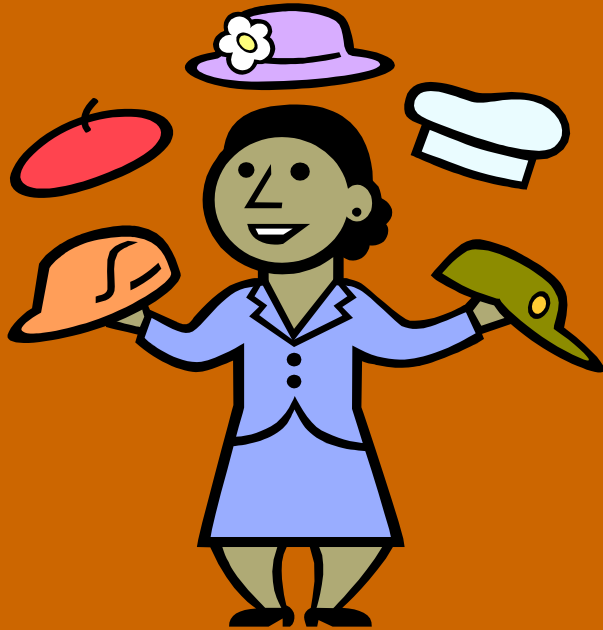
Orchestra



Boys or Girls Choir



What is the Elective Wheel???



- **There are two parts to the wheel:**

Part I

Students will rotate through six weeks of the following:

- *Technology Education
- *Career Investigation
- *Keyboarding/Multimedia

Career and Technology Classes

6 Weeks of each

Keyboarding/Multimedia

Technology Education



Career Investigation



Elective Wheel continued....

Part II

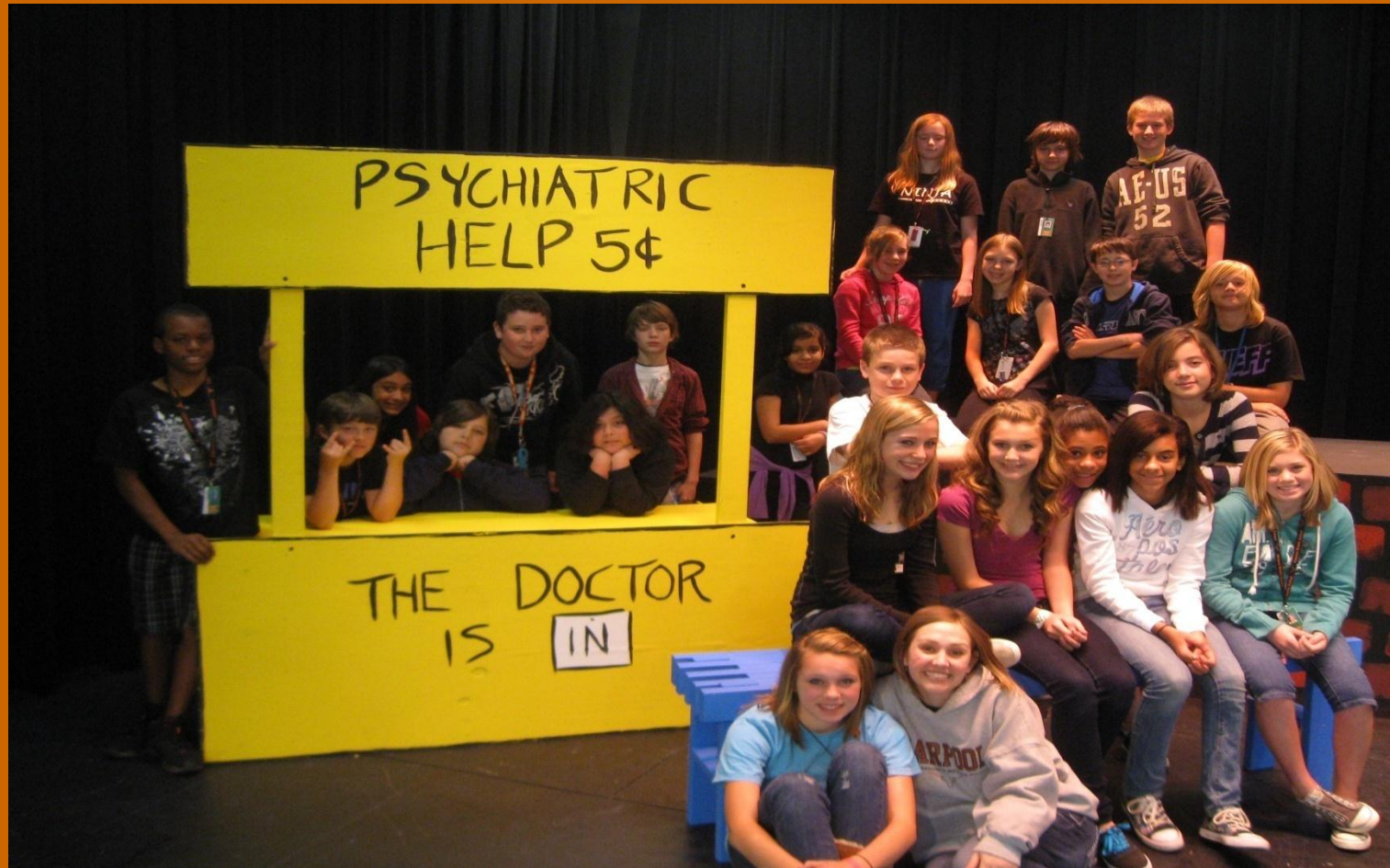
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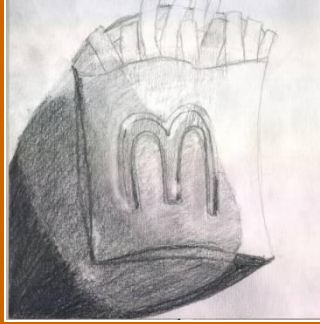
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*Theatre Arts



Theatre Arts





ART

Course Request Sheets

- Course Request Sheets will be coming home soon.
- Please look over the elective courses and discuss with your child.
- They will need to be signed by you AND your child.
- They are due one week after our presentation at your child's elementary school.

Last Name _____
 First Name _____
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 Phone # (_____) _____
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 Elementary _____



6th Grade Course Request Sheet

REQUIRED COURSES

Sixth grade students will be scheduled to take the following seven required courses.

<u>REQUIRED COURSES</u>		<u>Units</u>
English 6	10600	1
Reading/Expo	20600	1
Math 6	30600	1
Science 6	40600	1
C. World Societies 6	50600	1
Advisory 6	99010	1
PE/WEELLNESS 6	80600	1

Student Signature

Parent Signature

ELECTIVE COURSES

Sixth grade students will take **one** (1) elective unit. You must choose one of the following courses. If you choose elective wheel you must also make a choice between art and theatre arts.

<u>Course Name</u>		<u>Units</u>
____ Beginning Band 6	60010	1
____ Orchestra 6	60640	1
____ Beginning Bass*	60630	1
*Instructor approval is required		
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____ Elective Wheel**	90000	1

**For one semester the Elective Wheel students will rotate through each of the following courses for six weeks each:

Intro to Technology
 Career Investigation
 Multimedia

AND

Elective wheel students must also pick one of the following which will last for one semester. Place a checkmark on the line of the class you prefer.

____ Art 616103 ____ Theatre Arts 606603

Presentation Dates/Due Dates

School	Presentation	DUE
EP Rayzor	April 29 th	May 6 th
McNair	April 30 th	May 7 th
Sam Houston	May 1 st	May 8 th
Blanton	May 2 nd	May 9 th
WS Ryan	May 6 th	May 13 th
Savannah	May 6 th	May 13 th

WEB

Where Everybody Belongs!



- **WEB** is a middle school transition program that welcomes 6th graders and makes them feel comfortable throughout the first year of their middle school experience.

August 23rd, 2013

8:00-12:00

Big Changes Are Coming...

The only thing constant in lifeIs change.

- Emotional
- Disorganized
- Forgetful
- Anxious for independence

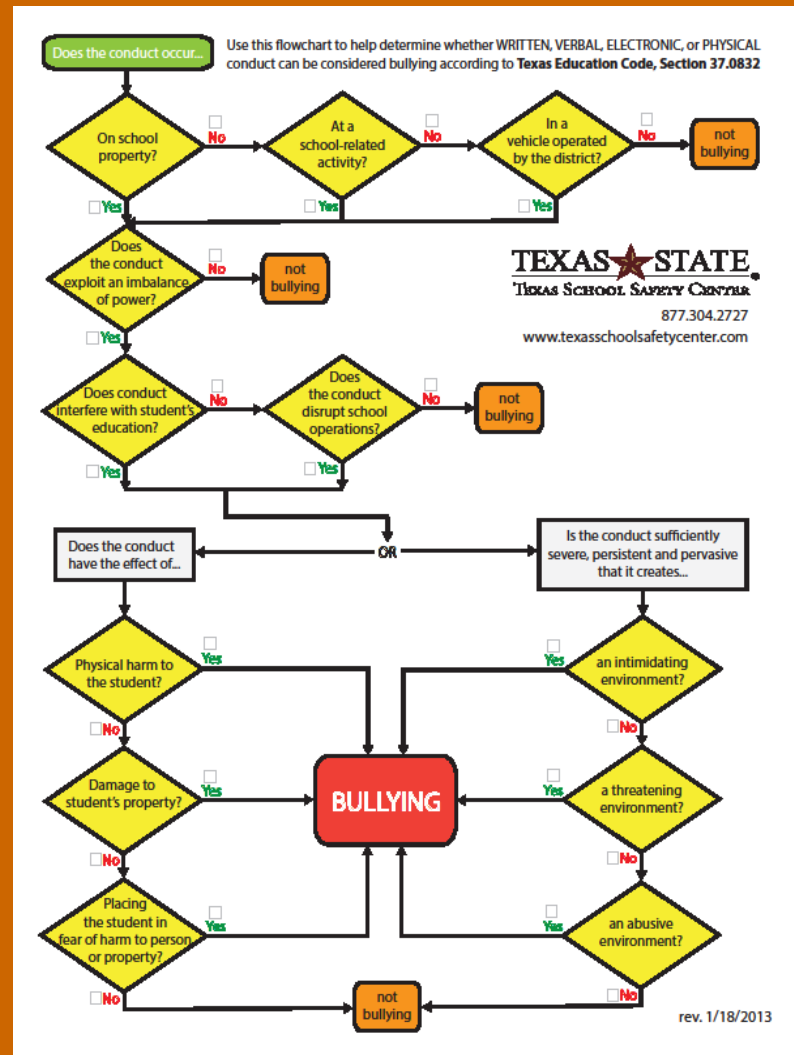


Common Worries

- I won't be able to find my classes.
- I'll forget which class to go to next.
- I won't be with my friends.
- I won't be able to get my locker open.

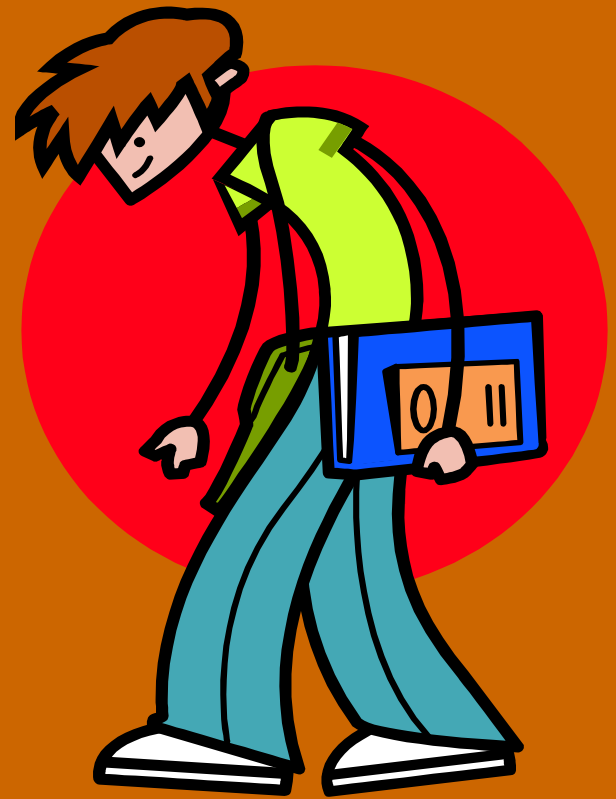


Bullying vs Conflict



More Worries

- The older kids will pick on me.
- I have to change clothes in PE!
- What's the dress code?
- What are the school rules?
- I won't know what to do in the cafeteria!



Cafeteria



There are several different varieties of food to choose from!



Counselors and/or administrators are usually found here during lunch. This is a good time to ask a quick question instead of getting out class!



LONGHORNS RULE!

DISCIPLINE



- We have a principal and two assistant principals. These administrators, along with all the teachers and staff, expect you to act appropriately at all times while here at school.
- You will have more freedom than you had in elementary school, and along with the freedom comes more responsibility.

School Wide Discipline Policy

Tickets.....

Team 7-1	
Math	Reason: Writing
Advisory	Reason: Reading
Inclusion	Reason: History
Elective	Reason: Science
Date: _____	

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Detentions:

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Math	Reason: Writing
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Date: _____	

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Office Referral:

We want to “Brand” you.....



Dress Code

- Skirts and shorts must be at least finger tip length!
- Shirts must be long enough to raise your arms and not show skin.
- Tank tops....what's appropriate?
- Pants need to be pulled up ...no sagging!
- No holes in jeans, shorts or skirts
- No flip -flops!



Can we bring a cell phone to school?



- You CAN bring one to school.
- BUT it must be turned off during the school day – 8:20 am to 3:20 pm.
- If heard or seen, can be taken up and \$15 fee to get it back.
- We have phones at school you can use😊

Do we have to wear an ID?



- YES, it must be attached and visible at all times while at school.
- You will get your picture made for your ID at schedule pickup or the first week of school.
- You NEED it for lunch and the library
- Leave it in your locker overnight!

Do we get a locker?



- Everyone gets a hall locker with a combination lock on it.
- Do NOT share your combination or your locker with ANYONE!
- Cover your lock when you are putting in your combination.
- Keep your locker closed and locked when you're not getting something out or putting something in. Keep your stuff **SAFE!**

Attendance

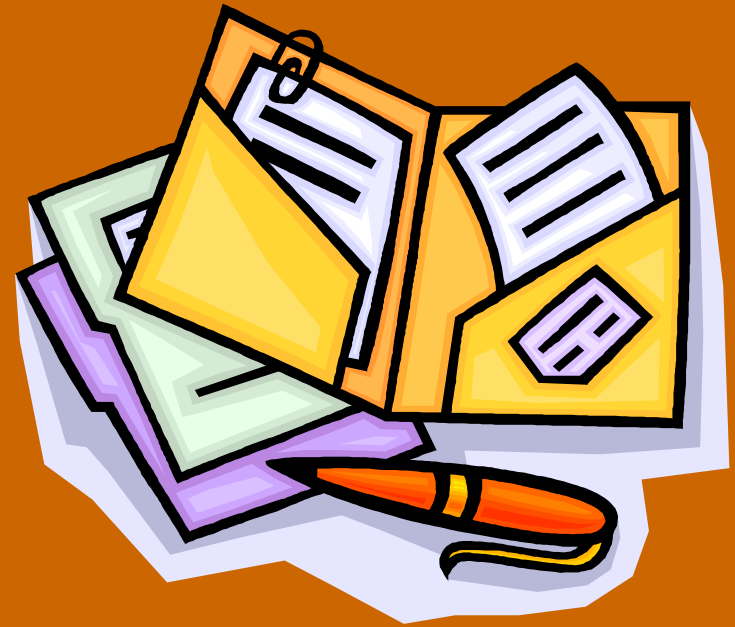


- In middle school, all absent notes go to the Attendance Clerk's office which is located at the front of the office. Notes no longer go to the teachers.
- You are now **responsible** for getting your notes turned into the Attendance Office.
- Notes have to be turned in within 72 hours, or three days, after the absence or it will be considered unexcused.
- When you have 3 unexcused absences within a 4 week period, you will be sent a warning letter.
- If you have any questions concerning attendance, please call the Attendance Clerk at: 369-1707.

To be successful in Middle School.....

Organization is VERY important!

If your child struggles with organization and would benefit from a group please let us know. 😊



The Agenda

2012-2013 Agenda



- You have to take your agenda with you everywhere.
- It is your hall pass and it helps to keep you organized.
- **CHECK it every night AND discuss it with your parents!**

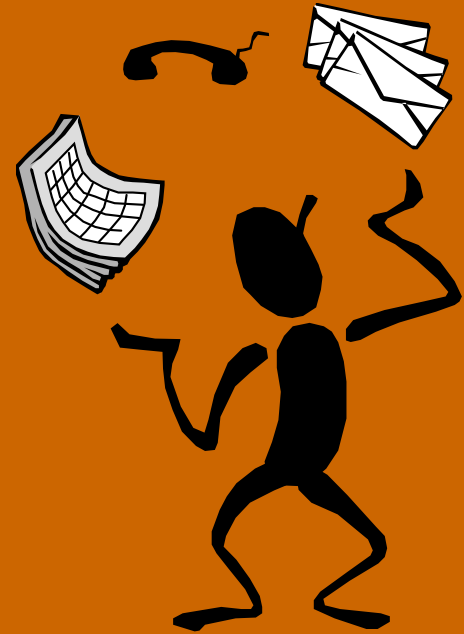
Did you know...?

- Each teacher has a website.
- Many teachers list their daily assignments and sometimes attach homework assignments.
- Go to www.dentonisd.org
- Choose Harpool at the top of the page.
- Choose the team and then the teacher
- This is a great tool to use if you are absent! If it's not listed, be sure to ASK YOUR TEACHER!!!



Remember

- Don't worry too much.
- It's okay to be nervous.
- Solutions
 - Practice using a combination lock.
 - Come to WEB day, August 23rd.
 - Get involved & make friends!
 - Ask questions.
 - Ask for help when you need it.
 - Bring supplies to class.
 - **Get organized and stay organized!**



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Questions????

We are looking forward to
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