



Pleasant Lea Middle School

Welcome to Pleasant Lea Middle School! Building the Future, one tiger at a time





Building the Future...One Tiger at a Time







R7 Mission: We Prepare Each Student For Success in Life

- Deliver on the promise of providing a high quality education
- Achievement, well-being, connectedness
- Every student, every teacher, every classroom, every day
- Passion-purpose-pride
- Activities, athletics, and the arts



Goals For The Presentation

Begin partnership and transition into middle school.

 Identify how courses selected going into 7th grade begin to lay the foundation for future middle and high school coursework.



PLMS Administrators/Counselors

Brian Linguist, PLMS Principal Dr. Carrie Hardin, Assistant Principal - A - L New, Assistant Principal - M - Z Jennifer Montgomery, Counselor - 6th Grade Natalie Holder, Counselor - 7th Grade Angela Martin, Counselor - 8th Grade











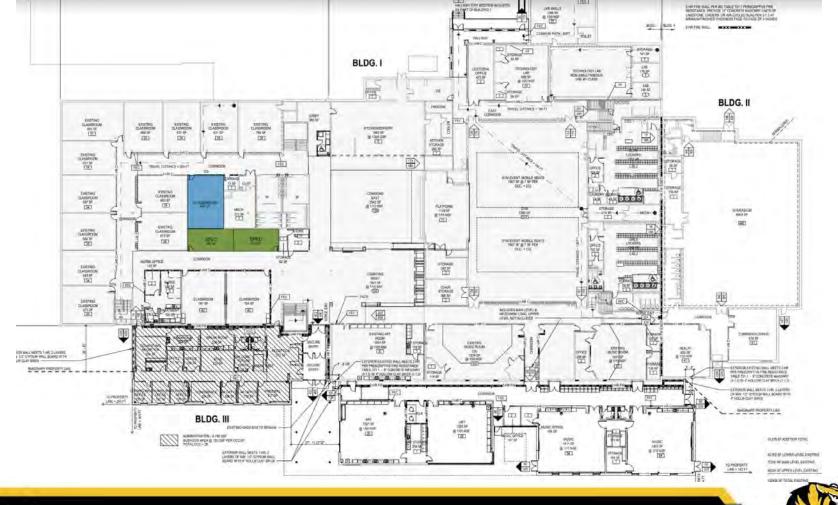
















Construction Timeline

2nd week of June - Interior construction begins

August 12th - All construction is completed



Elementary School / Middle School

- One class with one teacher
- Specials (Art, Music, PE)
- Recess
- Pull out for special services

- Seven Period Day
- Exploratory Classes
- State required health course
- No Recess/4 minute passing times
- Interdisciplinary Teaming
- Sports/Activities
- Advanced Classes
- Gifted (7)



Life in the Middle

Middle level students change dramatically in four primary areas during the "middle years":

- Physically
- Socially
- Academically
- Emotionally

Three key concepts characterize the "middle years": Exploration of Identity, Exploration of Social Groups, and Exploration with Boundaries.



Curriculum and Expectations

- <u>Curriculum is more intensive</u> at the middle school level as it is designed to transition students to high school.
- The more intensive curriculum requires the need for students to plan for homework each day.
- All classes receive a grade including elective classes.
- Some 8th grade classes have prerequisites or need teacher recommendations to enroll in those classes. For example, to take an 8th grade modern language class, the student must earn a B average in 7th grade language arts.



Seventh Grade Programming

Semester 1 & 2

Core Curriculum*

- Language Arts 7
 - Advanced Option: Advanced Studies Language Arts 7
- 7th Math
 - Advanced Option: 7th Accelerated Math
- Science 7
 - Advanced Option: Science 7
- Ancient World History
 - Advanced Option: Advanced Studies Ancient World History

Course Descriptions

Core Curriculum:

All 7th grade students will automatically be enrolled in these classes.



Required Electives*

Health (Semester)

Physical Education (Semester)

Elective Options - Students will select electives that equal a total of two units of credit. Students may choose from the following electives to complete their schedule: Quarter = .25 units Semester = .5 units Year = 1.0 units

Business, Marketing, and Information Technology (Quarter)

Engineering & Industrial Technology (Quarter)

Experiencing Family Consumer Science (Quarter)

Exploring Language and Cultures (Quarter)

Exploring Speech and Theatre (Quarter)

SMARTS (Quarter)

7th-grade Art (Semester)

7th-grade Vocal Music (Semester) OR 7th-grade Select Choir audition required (Semester) 7th Grade Band (Year)

String Orchestra (Year)

Required Electives:

All students will take these electives.

Elective Options

Students select electives that equal a total of two units of credit.



Career and Educational Planning Guide - great resource

for course information and planning



Career & Educational Planning Guide

LSR7 helps you prepare for your school career...and beyond

Advanced studies programs. Specialized learning opportunities. Career exploration infused throughout the K-12 experience.

In LSR7, we prepare students for successful futures. Our academic programs provide a wealth of opportunities for students to explore possible careers and seek out learning experiences to support their unique interests and talents.

High 5chool Courses: View high school courses by subject.

Middle School Courses and Programming: Access middle school programming.

Advanced Studies: See programs designed to meet the needs of academically talented students.

<u>Specialized Career Ed Programs:</u> See options for off-campus specialized workforce training.



Course Request Sheet

 Please return to 6th grade teacher one week after receiving

PLEASANT LEA MIDDLE SCHOOL

2022-2023 Worksheet for 7th Grade Enrollment

7th Grade

Name: «Last Name», «First Name» ID #: «Student ID» Elementary School: «School» Instructional Declaration*: (Circle One) In-Person Teacher: ((Homeroom)) CIRCLE the "RED" Recommendation below unless changing to a different course, then circle the choice below. Reminder: Parents need to sign and attach a waiver if changing to an Advanced Studies course. Language Arts - «CA Advanced» Science - «SC Advanced» Language Arts 7 Science 7 Advanced Studies Language Arts 7 Advanced Studies Science 7 Math - «MA Advanced» Social Studies - «SS Advanced» Math 7 Ancient World History 7 Accelerated Math 7 Advanced Studies Ancient World History 7 **Exploratory Courses** ** Students should rank quarter exploratory choices in order of preference using 1-8, with 1 being your first choice. Physical Education (required) (semester class) Exploring Speech & Theatre Arts (quarter class) Business, Marketing, and Information Technology (quarter class) Experiencing Family & Consumer Science (quarter class) Engineering & Industrial Technology (quarter class) Exploring Languages & Cultures (quarter class) SMARTS (quarter class) (semester class) Vocal Music I (semester class) Health (required for all 7th grade students) (semester class) Band/Strings - Please circle if you will be in Band or String Orchestra. PLEASE fill in what instrument you play. Band (Instrument: *** 1 credit (full yr.) String Orchestra (Instrument: *** ***PLEASE be sure you let us know what instrument you play *** R7OL does not offer band or strings. Students may only enroll in these courses if they participated in band or strings in 6th grade. 7th Grade Select Choir by Recommendation Only: MUS703 Select Choir (A/B daily rotation year-long) 0.5 credit (full vr.) Recommended Electives - Some students are recommended for additional classroom support. You will see those recommended classes listed below. Otherwise this area will be blank. (Parents need to sign and attach a waiver if changing a recommended class listed below - your elementary school will have waiver forms. «Math Lab» «Reading Lab» «Sped» <earn(ab>>

Parent/Guardian Signature:

Date:



Calendar of Elementary School Visits

Cedar Creek	Friday, February 18
Lee's Summit	Tuesday, February 22
Longview Farms	Wednesday, February 23
Pleasant Lea	Thursday, February 24
Westview	Friday, February 25



Student's Schedule on PowerSchool

VIE	ation												Attendance By Class				
	Balance	Exp	Last Week						Thi	s We	eek		Course	Q1	Q2	E4	0
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	Conference Scheduling	2(A-B)	П	Г									Computer Explorations GOODING, CHET - Rm: 108	700			
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9	Grade History	3(B)										٩	Boys PE 7 WILSON, TODD - Rm; 223				
3	Email Notification	4(A-B)											Adv Studies Science LASSMAN, JON - Rm: 309				
1	Class Registration GPA & Rank:	5(A-B)											Adv Studies Ancient World History FUCHS, JOANNE - Rm: 202				
•	GradProgress/ Requests and Recommendations	6(A-B)											Adv Studies 7th grade Math TIPTON, KENT - Rm: 201				
	Tutoring Schedule:	7(A-B)											Adv Studies Lang Arts WRIGHT, JASON - Rm: 203				
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	Career Focus:	LUN(A-B)						٠	,				First Lunch 10:56-11:18, BEFORE 4TH HOUR - Rm: Cafeteria	7///			



Academic Support

- Plan Books Organizational tool for work
- Advisory
- Friday Late-Start Study Session
- Friday Late-Start Test Make-up Center
- Advanced Studies Classes (Math, Science, Social Studies, English Language Arts)
- Math Lab and Reading Lab
- Math Tutoring



Math Tutoring

Goal: To create opportunities for your student to receive additional instruction in math.

Process: If your student needs support with mathematics, the student can stay after to receive tutoring without signing up ahead of time.

<u>Timing:</u> Tuesdays and Thursdays from 3:15 to 4:15



Math and Reading Lab Classes

 Math Lab provides extra math support and remediation for students performing below grade level in math.

 Reading Lab provides extra reading support and remediation for students performing below grade level in reading.

Students can work to improve math and reading skills.
 Once they are on grade level, they can enroll in the various exploratory classes.



Advisory

Homework
Team Activities
Student Interventions - Teacher Opportunities
ABC Mixers





School Incentives

- Tiger Spots
- End of the Year Field Trip
- Tardy Parties
- Students of the Month
- High Five Awards



PLMS Fundraiser

Proceeds benefit students, providing funds for activities and events throughout the school year.



Grades and Grading

- Students earn <u>1/2 unit of credit for each semester</u> of a course that is passed.
- Students must pass <u>5 1/2 of the 7 credits possible or pass at least 3 credits of core classes</u>; otherwise, students may be required to complete summer school or may be retained.
- <u>Failing grades can impact a student's eligibility</u> for sports and school activities (2 or more failing grades). [Mandated by MSHSAA Guidelines]
- Middle school grades determine class placement in high school classes.



MSHSAA Athletics

Athletics:

Cross Country (6th/7th/8th)

Basketball (7th/8th)

Football (7th/8th)

Track (7th/8th)

Volleyball (7th/8th)

Wrestling (6th/7th/8th)

(Sports physicals are required for all athletics)





MSHSAA Activities

Activities

Band, Jazz Band, Choir & Orchestra (6th/7th/8th)
Cheerleading (8th)
Scholar Bowl (6th/7th/8th)





PLMS Clubs

Art Club

Black Student Union (BSU)

Club 121

CyberPatriots

Drill Team

GSA

LS Teachers Academy

Robotics

Scholar Bowl

Sewing Club

Student Council

Tiger Archery

Tiger Smarts

Tiger Tribe

WEB CARES

Yearbook





PLMS Activities

Awards Assembly Show Library Activities: STEAM, Book Club, Make & Take, Otaku Musical Spelling Bee **Talent Show**





Library

Thursday Special Events (during Advisory)

- Make & Take (DIY/Crafting)
- Otaku (Manga/Anime/Japanese Culture)
- S.T.E.A.M.
 (Science/Technology/Engineering/ Art/Math)
- R.E.A.D. (Read, Eat, and Discuss Book Club)









Transition Day for PLMS 7th Grade Students

Pleasant Lea Middle School Tiger Transition Day

- Communication
 - Summer letter July
- Schedule
- Summer visits to PLMS
- Transition day details



Parent Involvement

- Your involvement is essential!
- Join and participate in PLMS PTA
- Studies show that the more parents are involved in a student's education, the greater success that student experiences!



Thank You!

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