WHAT'S THE SCOOP?!



STUDENT LIFE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL - How 5th grade will be different.

MS HOMEROOM TEACHERS

- Are only with students only during Morning Meeting & PM Homeroom
- Not necessarily the point person for academic or behavioral questions.
- Still important to see them at conferences.







THE BIG PICTURE

- MS students travel to their teachers unescorted.
- Could be a different teacher every period throughout the day.
- Most classes will be on 2nd & 3rd floor, except for specialists (Gym, Art, Music, etc.)
- Important Big Picture Q's & Concerns
 - Academics Mrs. Miller (English speaking classes) or Wu Zhuren (Chinese speaking classes)
 - O Student Life & Behavior Mr. P
 - O All of the Above Dr. Lien
- Review the STUDENT & FAMILY HANDBOOK posted on the school website.

UNIFORMS

- **Red** Students in grades 5-8 may wear red tops in addition to the light blue, white or black tops.
 - O Black pants/shorts/skirts or "red plaid" Lands' End skirt.

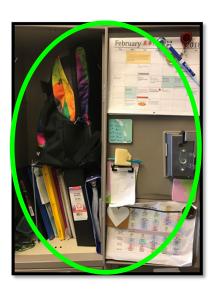




LOCKERS

- 5th grade used the 2-tier lockers on 2nd floor.
- No locks
- Coat hooks & boot trays are along the walls.
- Dimensions 30" T x 15" W x 15" D, Door is 15" W
- We recommend getting shelves for organization.
 - O Purchase (Target, Wal-Mart, etc.) or custom build.
 - O Must be removed in June.





ORGANIZATION & RESPONSIBILITY

- 5th Graders have a lot more freedom and responsibility than 4th graders.
- When traveling from class to class unescorted so organization and timeliness are very important.
 - O Stay on top of your lockers.
 - O Use your planners <u>everyday</u>.
 - O NAME ON EVERYTHING
- Electronics
 - O MS Students may use electronics before and after school
 - O Students bring at their own risk.

DRAGON LIFE ORGANIZATION

Structure

- Students are selected to be "prefects"
- Students have real jobs and responsibilities.
- Mirrors the administration of the school.

Promotes

- Positive School Community
- Empowerment
- Community Service
- Ownership
- Self Discovery
- Self Confidence

Gain Life Skills

- Character Building
- Responsibility
- Organization
- Leadership
- Teamwork
- Communication







Yinghua Academy Dragon Life Organization

Head Prefect

Lower School

Sports

Community Service

Academics

Activites

Behavior

Operations

Activities

Big Sibs

Playground Support Game Days

Spirit Days

Student vs Staff Games Community Service

Projects

Birthdays

Tutoring

Library Helpers

Blue Tickets Clubs

7th & 8th Dance

5th & 6th Dance

Yearbook

Golden Tickets

Secret Snowflakes

Mentoring

Announcemen t Boards

Green Team

Lost and Found

DLO CLUBS

- Students can create and mange clubs for their classmates.(with teacher guidance)
- Teachers lead fun Chinese clubs to promote Chinese language environment.
- Starts in 7th Grade

Card Games Club! (Mr. Byykkonen)

- 1. UNO!
- 2. Euchre!
- 3. Hearts!
- 4. Card Tricks!
- 5. Etc.









SOME CURRENT CLUBS

- Volleyball Club
- Social JusticeFilm Club
- Chinese MovieClub
- Art of All KindsClub
- Chinese MusicClub

- Magic the Gathering Club
- Crochet Club
- Chinese HistoryClub
- Movie MakingClub
- Basketball Club

MIDDLE SCHOOL RETREATS

- Big trips focused on:
 - Building Community
 - Growing Positive Relationships
 - Creating Memories
 - Experiencing local culture outside of the classroom
- 5th-6th Local Retreat
 - o 8:30am-8:30pm
 - Science Museum
 - Cave Tour
 - o Gangster Tour
 - Community Dinner
 - Hockey Game
- 7th-8th Overnight Retreat
 - o 2 days and 1 night
 - Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center









