Transitioning to Long Beach Middle School



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Introductions

- Ms. Theresa Taplin, Vice Principal
- Mr. Bajit, 6th Grade School Counselor
- Ms. Darkeh, 7th Grade School Counselor
- Ms. Marcell, 8th Grade School Counselor

5th to 6th Grade...A Time of Transition

- Your child is entering a new stage in life.
- We will be part of your child's journey through Middle School.
- Our goal is to develop a strong Home-School partnership.

School Counselor

School Counselors help:

- facilitate your child's transition to the Middle School.
- answer questions you may have.
- you work closely with your child's teachers.
- link students and parents to resources in the school.

School Counselor

School Counselors help:

- students build the competencies needed to be successful in middle school, high school, and beyond.
- assist students in exploring interests and setting goals for the future.
- advocate for your child.

How is Middle School different?

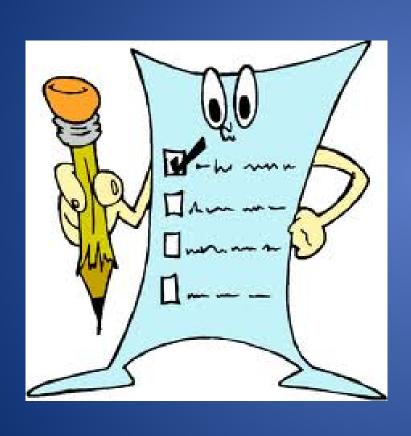
- Different Classes
- More Teachers / Teams
- New Rules
- Busier Schedule



- Sports, Clubs, Activities
- Expectations



Keys to Success



For the student:

- Attendance
- Be on time
- Be prepared
- Be involved
- Attend extra help

Keys to Success

For the Parent/Guardian:

- Work together with your child, school counselor, teachers, administrators, and other school personnel.
- Be proactive:
 - Communicate with teachers.
 - Meet with your child's team of teachers.
 - Check school website for homework, events, parent conferences.
 - Monitor your child's progress through Parent Portal.
 - Join the PTA; sign up to receive important email blasts.

Keys to Success

For the Students and Parent/Guardian

- Develop a home routine:
 - Set a specific time to do homework, study, read, prepare, and practice.
 - Designate a place to work and organize materials.
 - Develop time management skills to juggle academics, clubs, activities, home responsibilities, and free time.
 - Use agenda book to track homework and assignments.



Working together insures success for all of our students.



Thanks for joining us tonight.