



**Being Successful  
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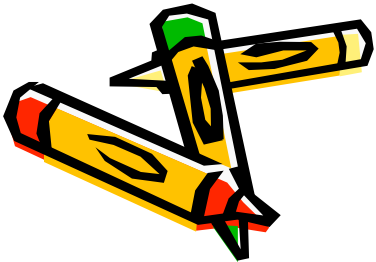
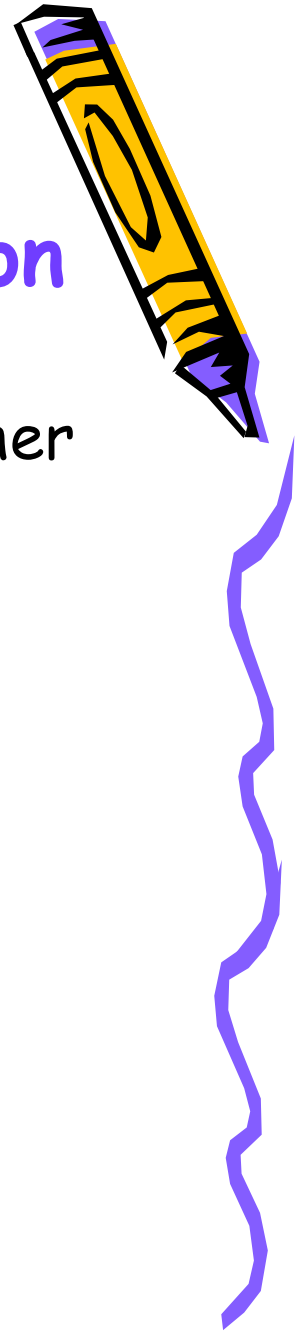
**Long Beach Middle School**



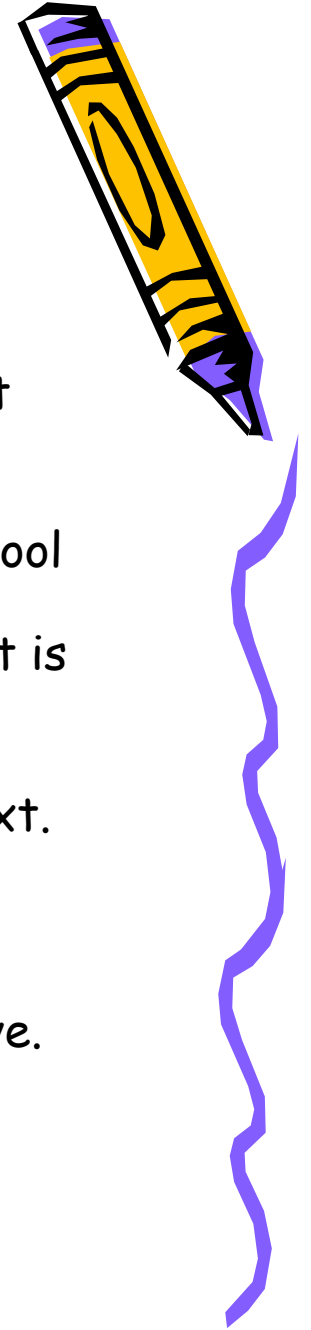
# 5<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> Grade...

## A Time of Transition

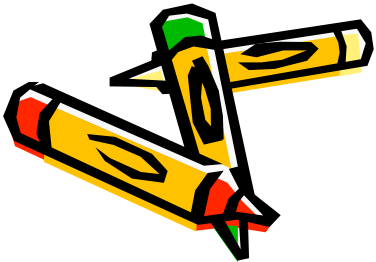
- Your child is entering a new stage in his/her life.
- We'll be part of your child's journey the whole way!
- Our goal - develop a strong school/home partnership.



# How is middle school different?

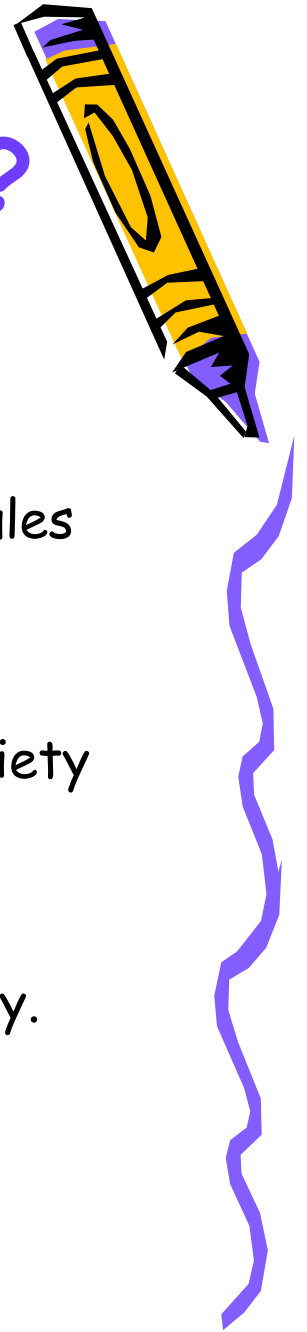


- **Different Classes**
  - You will go to a different classroom for each subject.
  - You'll need to learn where each class is and what time it starts.
- **New Rules**
  - It's your responsibility to become familiar with the school rules.
  - Read the student handbook for this information when it is issued at the beginning of the year with your family.
- **A Busier Schedule**
  - You will have 3 minutes to get from one class to the next.
  - You will have a locker to keep your books, coat, etc. - practice using your lock!
- **More Classmates /Bigger School**
  - There may be different students in every class you have.
  - **Be respectful and polite to everyone around you.**



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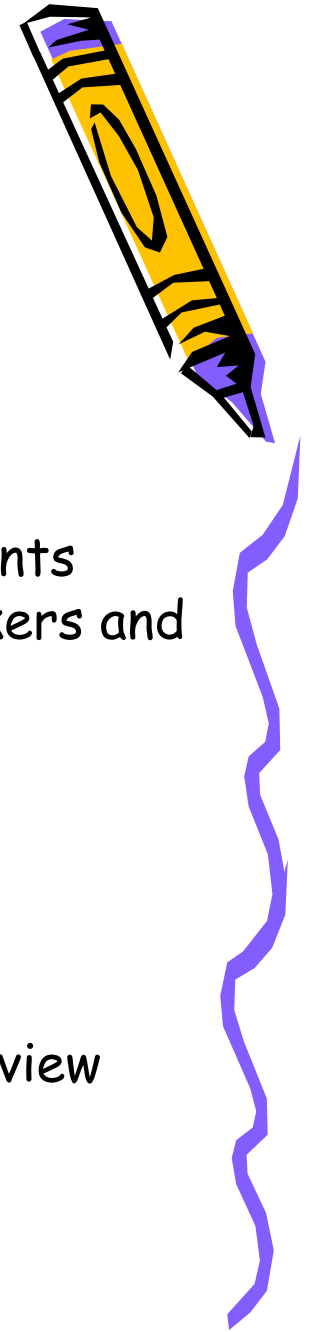
- **More Teachers/Teams**
  - You will be on a team.
  - You will have a different teacher for every class.
  - Become familiar with each teacher's classroom rules and expectations.
- **More Choices**
  - You will have opportunities to participate in a variety of extracurricular activities.
- **More Homework**
  - This is another part of your growing responsibility.



# Keys to Success

## 1. Be Present & Involved

- **Attendance** is key to success in school
- Be **on-time** to school - school starts at 8:01 (students should arrive at 7:55 to have time to go to their lockers and get organized for the day)
- Be **involved** in learning - participation in class is an important factor in learning.
- Attend **extra help** - it provides opportunities for clarification of new concepts, time to ask questions, individualized time with your teacher, and time to review information learned.



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## 2. Home-School Partnership

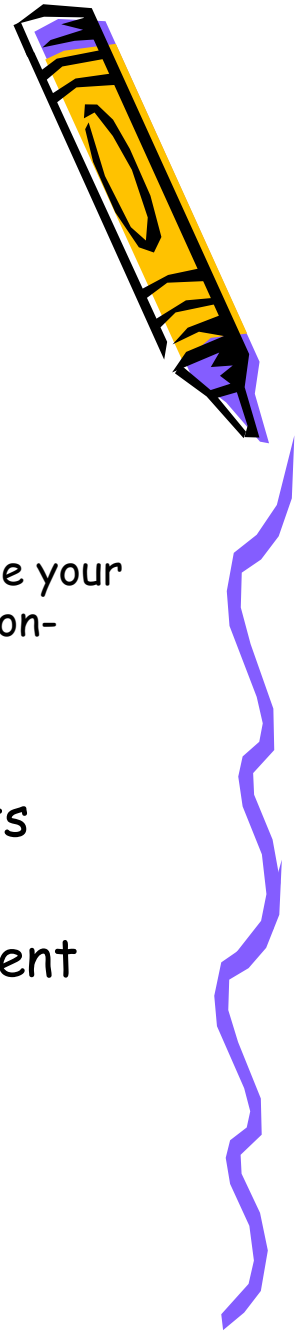
- It is crucial to partner with your counselor, your team teachers, Vice-Principal, Principal and other school personnel.
- Be pro-active
  - Communicate with teachers/team meetings can be arranged
  - Use website to check for homework, events, parent conferences
  - Parent Portal
  - Join PTA-Read Email Blasts



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## 3. Organization

- A home routine is critical!!!
  - A time/place to study & do homework
  - A designated place to keep backpack and school items
  - Practice the morning routine in the summer to make sure your child allows the time he/she needs to get ready and be on-time.
- Develop time management skills
- Use agenda book to track homework and assignments
- Be prepared for school and classes...homework, assignments, projects, gym clothes, musical instrument

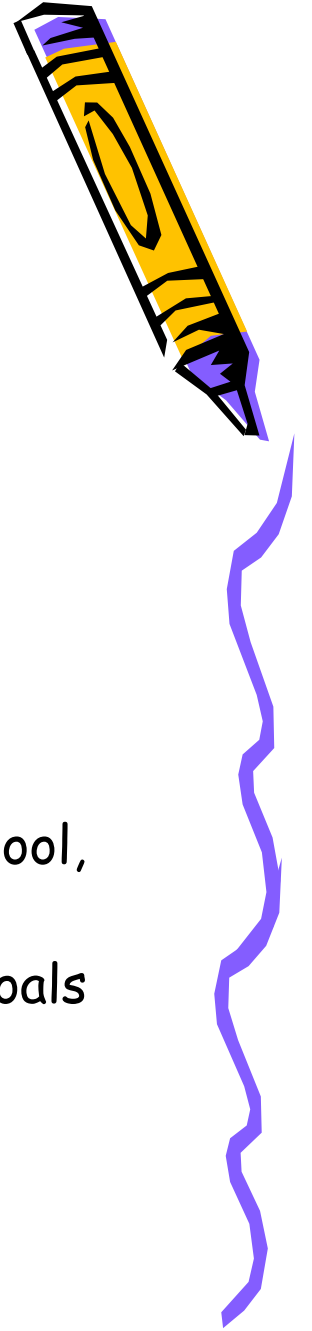


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Your school counselor is your advocate!

Your counselor will help:

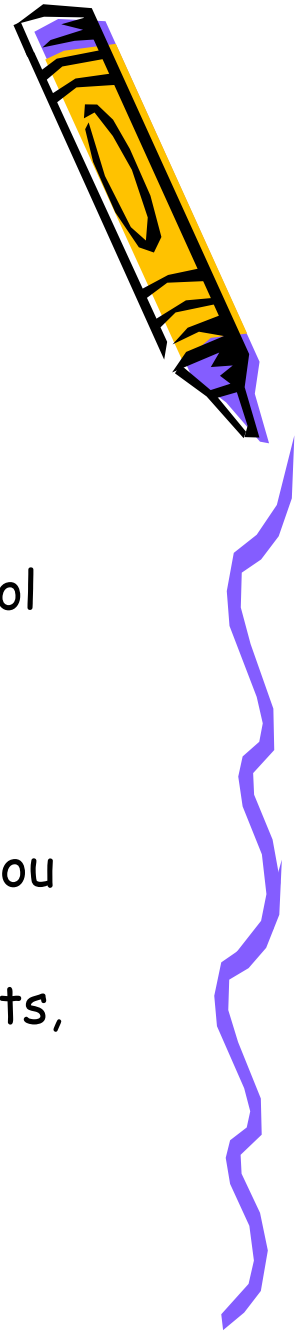
- Ease the transition
- Answer questions
- You work closely with your teachers
- Link students & parents to resources in the school
- Offer workshops to help students build the competencies needed to be successful in middle school, high school and beyond
- Assist students in exploring interests and setting goals for the future
- Be your child's cheerleader





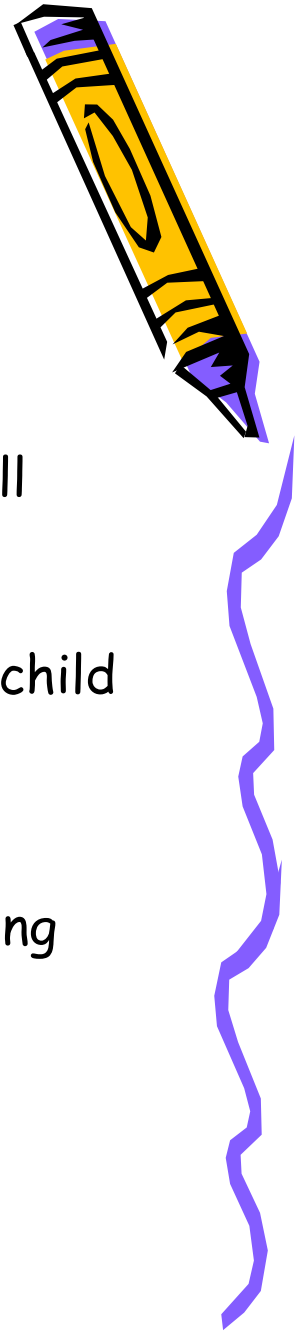
# 10 ways to get involved in your child's education

1. Talk with your child every day about his or her school experiences, successes, and worries.
2. Read the school handbook and all notices that the school sends home.
3. Meet your child's teacher and attend parent-teacher conferences.
4. Consult your child's teacher or school staff whenever you have concerns.
5. Attend open houses, school events, programs for parents, and school-board meetings.



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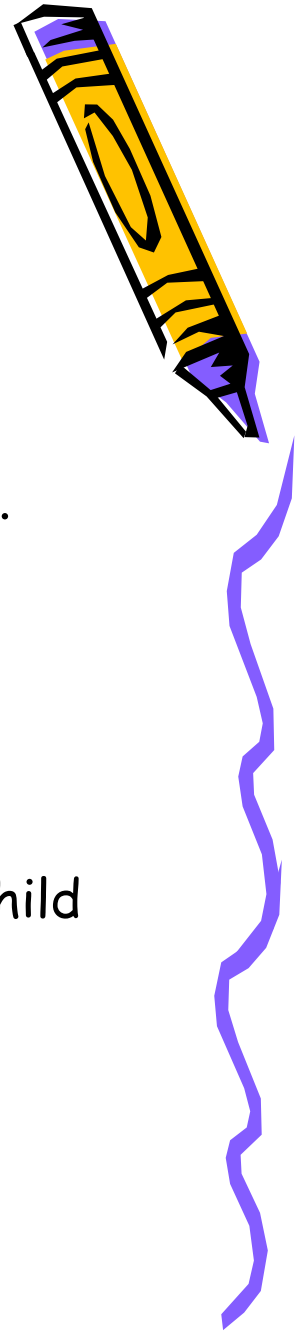
6. Stay aware of your child's academic progress. Praise all earnest efforts and accomplishments.
7. Review homework assignments each day and help your child organize time and work.
8. Provide learning experiences. Visit museums, watch educational TV shows, and have books and other learning materials available at home.



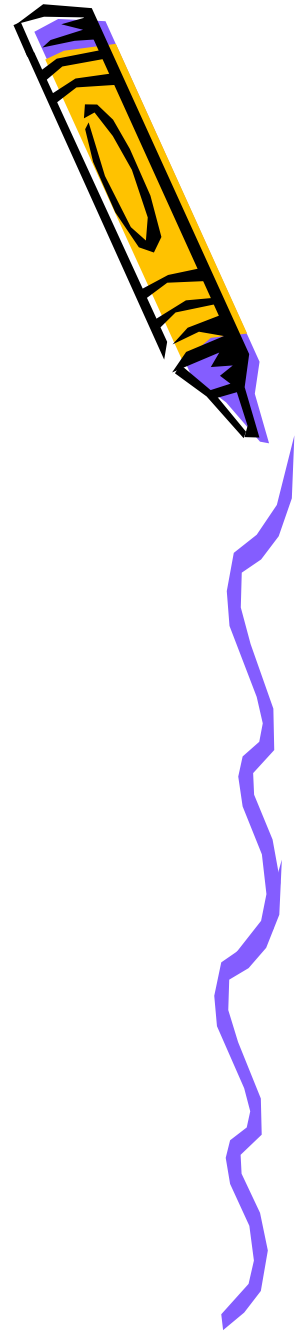
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9. Join the school's PTA and participate in its activities.
10. Volunteer at school; there are many opportunities to offer your services with.

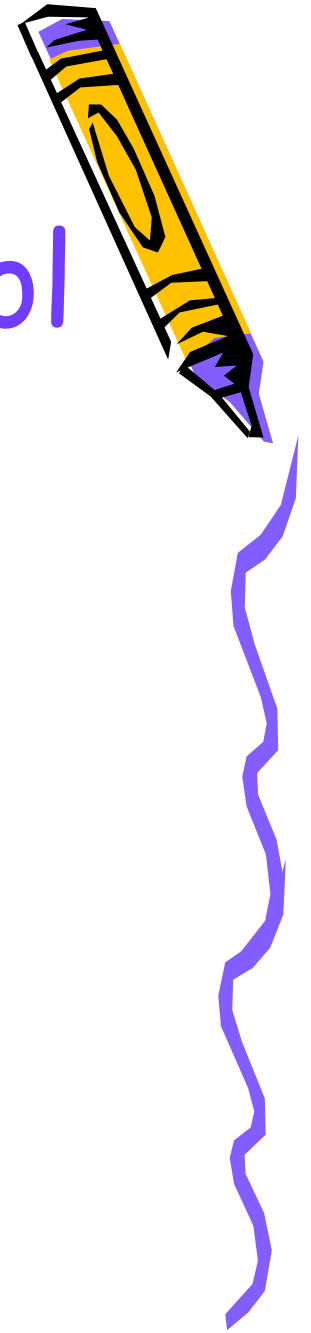
Remember -your attention and involvement shows your child  
that school is important!



Questions???



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"Working together  
insures success for all  
of our students."

