



PETOSKEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Learning & Growing Together

April 11, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians:

The Petoskey Middle School staff is excited to soon welcome you, your child, and the Class of 2032 to the middle school. The transition from elementary to middle school is a momentous event for students and their families. We are here to assist you during this time. Below is an outline of events designed to ease the transition. The dates are tentative, so please [visit our website](#) for the most up-to-date information.

April/May - Lockers and Band: A locker will be rotated through the elementary schools to allow students a chance to practice opening a locker with a combination lock. Band instructors began touring the elementary schools and showcasing the Petoskey Band Program to 5th grade students. Information will come home about band.

May 28 - Parent Orientation Meeting: At 5:30 pm, there will be an in-person informational presentation for parents in the PMS Media Center. Principals and Counselors will discuss many aspects of Petoskey Middle School, such as curriculum, academic and social supports, methods of communication, and more. This will be recorded and available on our website. We also hope to have a panel of experienced parents here to answer questions from their perspective.

May 29 - 5th Grade Orientation Day at PMS: This will be the first day our entire Class of 2032 will be together as a class. Students will participate in adventure education activities that reinforce the Full Value Agreement, tour the middle school campus, meet 6th grade teachers, and even have lunch. The main focus will be to welcome students to PMS and allow students to get to know one another.

Mid-to-Late August - Schedules available: 6th grade student schedules will be made available on PowerSchool. Information about how to enroll in PowerSchool will be communicated before the end of the 2024-25 year from your elementary school.

August 25 (TENTATIVE) - Self-Guided Tour of PMS: Students and parents are invited to explore the middle school building, find classrooms, and open lockers. Teachers are not in the building that day, but it is a chance for you to check out the facilities and ease those first day jitters! Feel free to visit anytime between 10:00 and 2:00. Due to scheduled summer construction, this may not be possible. Check our website for the most up-to-date information.

August 26 - Middle School Open House: Join us for our back to school Open House, tentatively scheduled from 4:30 to 6:00 pm. Check our website over the summer to verify. 6th grade parents and students will explore classrooms and meet our outstanding staff.

September 2 - School Starts! The first day of 6th grade and the beginning of a wonderful three years at Petoskey Middle School!

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