

Welcome to Team Destination!



*Everyday is an
adventure...*



MEET THE TEAM!

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CONTACTING THE TEAM

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**Meetings and phone calls will be held
during team planning time.**

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Dear Students and Parents,

Welcome to sixth grade at MTMS! We are looking forward to meeting and working with you as you embark and soar on your first year in middle school.

We are creating our destination together! Learning together is our Destination. As a member of the team, we want you to forge your own path and enjoy the ride. We want to guide you as you become explorers to learn new perspectives and expand your thinking to achieve your maximum potential. Always remember your present situation is not your final destination. The best is yet to come!

The map and plane are our team icons because learning together can take us anywhere. Everyone's path to their destination looks different but together as a team we work together to succeed. Our team firmly believes in being kind, caring, honest and being the best we can be. Nothing can stop you from reaching your goals; never give up and soar to new heights as a team. The plane symbolizes that we are working towards our destination. Our falcon mascot symbolizes determination, focus, and strength.

As members of Destination, we believe the possibilities are infinite. While on our journey this year, we will also embrace different perspectives and respect individual differences, in order to create a unified community. Welcome to the team!

Sincerely,

Your Destination Teachers

CALENDAR

- **September 6** - First day of school
- **September 12** - BTSN
- **September 15** - Half day
- **September 25** - School is closed

ORDER YOUR TEAM DESTINATION T-SHIRT!

- Team t-shirts are a great way to show your team spirit on special activity days! Our Team Destination T-shirts will have the team logos and our team colors, Navy and White. Order forms will be distributed to students in the beginning of the year..

Sixth Grade Supplies & Important Information

NOTE TO PARENTS AND GUARDIANS

All grades and progress reports are posted in Genesis, an online gradebook. Please make sure you have signed up to access the website. (<https://parents.monroe.k12.nj.us/>).



During the first week of school, please be on the lookout for a copy of a Falcon Yearly Informer from each of your child's teachers. This will give you a breakdown of each teacher's expectations, policies, and grading system. Some teachers may request your signature to confirm you have read over the document.



SUMMER MATH

For all mathematics classes, students are required to complete a summer preparation packet, which highlights the skills necessary to move to the next grade level. In these packets are skills that students should have mastered by the end of their previous year in school. Students need to complete these packets to the best of their ability. Students may locate and print this packet from the MTMS home page under "[2023 Summer Preparation Packets](#)." ***The packet is due on the first day of school.***

SUMMER READING/LANGUAGE ARTS

Students entering sixth grade are being asked to read books of their **choice** by authors they love. To help narrow the search, a *suggested* list has been prepared for you to view on the Monroe Township Middle School webpage under the "[2023 Summer Preparation Packets](#)" link. Over the summer, students are expected to read a volume of text (one book – or more) and engage actively in their reading. Students should come to class prepared with evidence that they have been tracking their reading. Some suggestions for evidence include **writing post-it notes or taking notes in a Reader's Notebook about their thinking as they read (reactions, questions, literary elements, new learning, summaries, vocabulary, etc.), marking the text, maintaining a reading log, etc.** At the start of the school year, students should be ready to engage in learning activities and book talks that will utilize the various books they have read over the summer. *Happy reading!*

Sixth Grade Supply List

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BACKPACKS & BINDERS

When purchasing backpacks, keep size in mind as they will hang in the lockers throughout the school day. No wheeled backpacks are permitted.

Students will use a locker to store their supplies. For safety purposes, backpacks are not allowed in the classroom. As a result, we recommend the following binder set up option:

PLEASE NOTE

Students will receive a school-issued agenda to record their daily homework assignments and upcoming projects/assessments.

Binder Requirement

- ❑ **(Two) 2-inch binders** for Math, Science, Social Studies, World Language/PBL Math (grouped according to their individual schedule)
- ❑ **(Two) marble composition books** for ELA (*Binder not required for ELA)

Use this [link](#) for Cycles/Chorus supply list.

GENERAL SUPPLIES

- Zippered pencil case
- Loose leaf paper
- Graph paper (Math)
- Index cards
- Pencils & erasers
- Blue or black ink pens
- Colored ink pens for editing
- Binder dividers (2-3 packages)
- Homework folder
- Highlighters
- Dry Erase Marker
- **One** of the following: Crayons, colored pencils, OR markers

ELA SUPPLIES

In addition to the 2 marble composition books

- Post-it Sticky Notes
- ELA folder for handouts
- Two Ziploc bags (gallon size)
- Scotch tape
- Glue sticks

