



## BOYERTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

*Home of the Bears*

August 2025

Dear Parents/Guardians,

The beginning of the 2025-2026 school year is less than a month away. It is my hope that you and your family are having an enjoyable summer.

All of the staff members at West are dedicated to providing our students with the best education possible. Our goal is to provide an environment that will be positive and supporting for all students. Our staff is well-trained, our curriculum is well-written, and we have the Board and community support to effectively educate our students. To best serve our students' needs, we assign the school counselors based on grade level. The eighth-grade counselor is Mrs. Tiffany Tyler. She is your first point of contact. Do not hesitate to contact us if you have questions or concerns. We ask that you encourage your student to do his/her best in the classroom, during activities, and at home while doing homework. Your participation in the educational process is invaluable. Without your help, it is very difficult to succeed.

Effective at 4:00PM on August 8, 2025, you will be able to view your child's schedule in Infinite Campus. The schedule is organized in block format. We suggest that you review the block schedule to ensure that your child's schedule is accurate. Also, please take the time to review the schedule for the following items:

1. Every eighth grader should be scheduled for two periods of math, one period of science, and one period of social studies every cycle day. Additionally, all students must have an ELA class. Some students will have a double period ELA, while others will have a single period of ELA and a period of study hall.
2. Every eighth grader should have art, business, health, or tech ed every day for one period. They will begin the year in one of those classes and then rotate to another one once the class has been completed.
3. Three periods of physical education should be on the schedule as well as two periods of either Music 8 or Chorus 8. There should also be one period per cycle of REACH for the Future. Students enrolled in band, chorus, or orchestra will not have general music. Instead, they will have a study hall.
4. All students should be scheduled for a period of lunch each day.

If you find that the schedule does not include the above items, please call the office as soon as possible to discuss it. We want the schedules to be as accurate as possible for the beginning of school. If we made a mistake, we need to know so we can correct it before the beginning of school.

The first day of school for students is Monday, August 25, 2025. There will be several orientation programs before that for **new** students to our building (sixth graders as well as transfer students). The first will be held on Wednesday, August 13, 2025, from 9:00AM-11:00AM and the second on Monday, August 18, 2025, from 1:00PM-3:00PM. At this program, you will be given time to locate classrooms and practice opening lockers. A copy of the locker assignment and combination will be provided during the program. We will provide a map of the building. Bear Ambassadors will be available as guides and helpers. Teachers will not be present at these orientations. Again, these programs are intended for those students who will be new to our building this year.

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Please note that our district continues to use Infinite Campus for our student information system. As you have done in the past, we will need you to verify all student demographic, emergency and medical information for your child before the start of the new school year through the online student data validation system. The software package also will provide you with a grade portal where you will be able to check your student's grades online at any time. You will also receive your transportation information through the portal on or around Thursday, August 14, 2025.

The activity fee of \$100 continues to be in place for students involved in certain extra-curricular activities. The fee is annual and covers all activities that your child chooses to participate in for the entire school year. A family cap of \$300 is also in place. See our webpage under the Activity/Clubs tab for more details. If your child participates in one of the activities, you will receive a letter from the activity coach or leader with specific information on how to pay the activity fee.

A weekly digital newsletter will be sent to your e-mail and Infinite Campus portal to keep you informed regarding upcoming events at Middle School West. We recommend that you take a few minutes to review the document weekly.

If you have any questions, please feel free to call the school office at (610) 369-7471. Attached to this letter are the 2025-2026 calendar and supply list. Live versions of these documents are posted on our school website.

Finally, below are the names of several key members of the MSW team:

Mrs. Amy Dombrowski – Principal  
Mr. David Schmaldienst – Assistant Principal  
Mrs. Tiffany Tyler – Grade 8 School Counselor  
Ms. Julia Williamson – School Nurse  
Officer James Gresh – BASD School Police

Mrs. Brittany Algeo – Administrative Assistant  
Mrs. Jan Benfield – Administrative Assistant  
Mrs. Sharona McDowell – Attendance Secretary  
Mrs. Stefanie Palopoli -- Librarian

We are looking forward to seeing everyone in just a few weeks.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Amy Dombrowski". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "A".

Mrs. Amy Dombrowski, Principal

# Middle School West Calendar at a Glance 2025-2026

| Date     | Activity                                       | Date      | Activity                                       |
|----------|--|-----------|--|
| 8/13/25  | New Student Day 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM             | 1/24/26   | Inter-County Band                              |
| 8/18/25  | New Student Day 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM              | 2/4/26    | Coffee with the Principal -- 8:00AM            |
| 8/19/25  | No School (Professional Development Day)       | 2/6/26    | Dance (Snow Make Up Date)                      |
| 8/20/25  | No School (Professional Development Day)       | 2/13/26   | No School (Professional Development Day)       |
| 8/20/25  | 6th Grade Orientation 6:00 PM                  | 2/16/26   | President's Day -- School Closed/Offices Open  |
| 8/21/25  | No School (Professional Development Day)       | 3/4/26    | End of 2nd Trimester                           |
| 8/25/25  | First Day of School for Students               | 3/5/26    | Parent/Teacher Conferences -- 4:00PM-7:00PM    |
| 8/28/25  | Picture Day / Health Screenings                | 3/7/26    | Music League Chicken Dinner                    |
| 8/29/25  | No School -- School Resumes 9/2/25             | 3/11/26   | No School (Professional Development Day)       |
| 9/4/25   | Back to School Night - Grades 7 & 8 -- 6:30PM  | 3/13/26   | West One Acts                                  |
| 9/12/25  | 6th Grade Team Building Day (Rain Date TBD)    | 3/14/26   | Boyertown Jazz Fest                            |
| 9/17/25  | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        | 3/31/26   | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        |
| 9/27/25  | Cavalcade of Bands                             | 4/1/26    | No School -- Offices Open                      |
| 10/1/25  | Coffee with the Principal 8:00 AM              | 4/2/26    | School Closed -- Offices Closed -- Resumes 4/6 |
| 10/6/25  | Picture Retake Day                             | 4/10/26   | Student Council Dance 7:00PM-9:00PM            |
| 10/10/25 | Student Council Dance 7:00PM-9:00PM            | 4/11/26   | Jr. County Music Festival @ Muhlenberg         |
| 10/13/25 | No School (Professional Development Day)       | 4/15-4/18 | TSA State Conference                           |
| 10/15/25 | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        | 4/16-4/19 | YAG State Conference                           |
| 10/16/25 | PA Philharmonic                                | 4/21/26   | ELA PSSA (through 4/23/26)                     |
| 10/18/25 | Boyertown Halloween Parade                     | 4/27/26   | Math PSSA (through 4/28/26)                    |
| 10/20/25 | Bally Halloween Parade                         | 4/29/26   | Science PSSA (through 4/30/26)                 |
| 11/9/25  | MSE/MSW Veteran's Day Performance              | 4/30/26   | MSW Art Show 6:30PM                            |
| 11/11/25 | No School (Professional Development Day)       | 4/30/26   | MSW Chorus Concert 7:00PM                      |
| 11/20/25 | Book Fair 6:30PM                               | 5/1/26    | No School (Professional Development Day)       |
| 11/20/25 | Chorus Concert 7:00PM                          | 5/4/26    | 5th Grade Visitation to MSW                    |
| 11/20/25 | End of 1st Trimester                           | 5/5/26    | No Place for Hate Day                          |
| 11/24/25 | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        | 5/8/26    | 8th Grade Visitation to BASH                   |
| 11/24/25 | Parent Conferences 1:00PM-3:00PM/4:00PM-7:00PM | 5/8/26    | 8th Grade East/West Dance at BASH              |
| 11/25/25 | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        | 5/13/26   | MSE/MSW Orchestra Concert 7:00PM @ BASH        |
| 11/25/25 | Parent Conferences 1:00PM-3:00PM               | 5/14/26   | Band Concert 7:00 PM                           |
| 11/26/25 | Early Dismissal -- 11:35AM                     | 5/18/26   | Algebra Keystone (through 5/19/26)             |
| 11/27/25 | No School -- School Resumes 12/2/25            | 5/21/26   | 8th Grade Project (through 6/4/26)             |
| 12/4/25  | Ned Hector (Grade 8)                           | 5/25/26   | No School -- Memorial Day                      |
| 12/5/25  | East-West Orchestra Concert 7:00 PM @ BASH     | 5/25/26   | Memorial Day Parade                            |
| 12/10/25 | Coffee with the Principal 8:00 AM              | 6/2/26    | Early Dismissal -- PM PD                       |
| 12/12/25 | Dance (YAG) 7:00PM - 9:00 PM                   | 6/3/26    | Early Dismissal -- PM PD                       |
| 12/15/25 | Band Concert 7:00PM                            | 6/4/26    | 8th Grade Project Presentations                |
| 12/22/25 | Holiday Music Assembly                         | 6/4/26    | Senior Graduation Walk                         |
| 12/23/25 | Early Dismissal -- 11:35AM                     | 6/4/26    | Early Dismissal -- PM PD                       |
| 12/24/25 | No School -- School Resumes 1/5/25             | 6/5/26    | Awards Assembly                                |
| 1/13/26  | West Spelling Bee                              | 6/5/26    | Early Dismissal -- PM PD                       |
| 1/14/26  | West Spelling Bee                              | 6/5/26    | Last Student Day -- End of T3                  |
| 1/16/26  | Early Dismissal - PM PD                        |           |  |
| 1/19/26  | No School -- MLK Day                           |           |  |
| 1/20/26  | Start of Semester 2                            |           |  |
| 1/22/26  | 8th Grade Parent Presentation at BASH 6:00PM   |           |  |
| 1/23/26  | Dance (TSA) 7:00PM-9:00PM (TENTATIVE)          |           |  |
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**Boyertown Area Middle School West**  
**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Supply List**  
**2025-2026**

**Supplies Needed at School**

- Earbuds
- #2 Pencils
- Black or Blue Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Highlighter
- 1 Binder or Folder for Each Core Subject (4 Total)
- 2 Composition Books (Not Spiral Bound)
- Post-it Notes
- TI 84 Plus or TI 84 Plus CE. This will be the only calculator students will need for the rest of their HS/college career.
- Charged BASD Issued Chromebook

**Supplies Needed at Home**

- A Quiet Place to Work, Free of Distractions
- Pencils
- Black or Blue Pens
- Colored Pencils
- Highlighter
- Stapler
- Loose-Leaf Notebook Paper
- Post-it Notes
- BASD Issued Chromebook and Charger

Individual teachers may have additional items required for their specific classes. Your teacher(s) will notify you directly at the beginning of the school year.

If you need support getting supplies for your child, please reach out to your school counselor.