

Welcome to Junior High East

Goals for this evening

- Understand your child's math placement for 7th grade
- Begin preparing for the transition to junior high school

Academic Teams

- Adventurer & Trailblazer Team
- Have the same major subject teachers
- Exception: Some students don't have the same math teacher in order to keep class sizes low
- School counselors provide continuity/support
 - Mrs. Siwik: A through K
 - Ms. Flenders: L through Z

Academic Program

- Complete Program of Studies is on the East website:

www.boyertownasd.org

- To access, click on the “Academic” Tab and choose “Program of Study”.

Academic Program

All 7th grade students have the following major subjects:

English

Reading

Math

Science

Social Studies

Academic Program

Seventh graders also have the following special area classes:

Art

Computer

Music

Family & Consumer Science

Technology Education

Physical Education

Keystone Exams

- PA Keystone Exams – Algebra I, Biology, English Literature, and English Composition
 - The Keystone Exams are end-of-course assessments designed to assess proficiency in the subject.
 - One component of Pennsylvania’s new system of high school graduation requirements.
 - Courses are being realigned to provide more time and support so all students are successful

Math Placement

- Advanced Pre-Algebra
- Pre-Algebra
- Some students in Pre-Algebra will receive a second period of support.

Math Placement

- Based on CDT results, benchmark results, work ethic, “grades”, and Grade 5 PSSA results.

Progression of Math Courses

Pre-Algebra

Grade 8 – Linear Algebra or Linear Algebra Concepts

Grade 9 – Algebra I or Algebra I Concepts

Advanced Pre-Algebra

Grade 8 – Algebra I

Grade 9 – Honors Geometry

Music Performing Groups

- Students may select the following music electives in addition to their regular schedule. In some cases, general music may be dropped for students who have selected a performing group:
 - »Band (3 days per cycle)
 - »Chorus (2 days per cycle)
 - »Orchestra (3 days per cycle)

Sample Student Schedule

	Day 1	Day 2	Day 3	Day 4	Day 5	Day 6
1	Pre-Algebra	Pre-Algebra	Pre-Algebra	Pre-Algebra	Pre-Algebra	Pre-Algebra
2	Phys Ed	Tech Ed or FCS	Phys Ed	Tech Ed or FCS	Phys Ed	Tech Ed or FCS
3	English	English	English	English	English	English
4	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading	Reading
5	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
6	Science	Science	Science	Science	Science	Science
7	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies	Social Studies
8	Art	Music	Art	Computer	Music	Computer
9	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall	Perf. Groups PA Support Study Hall
10	Home Base	Bear Ambassadors	Home Base	Home Base	Home Base	Home Base

Academic Supports

- Flex Period
- After School Homework Help
- Reading Specialist
- Math Camp
- Tutoring
- Academic Aides in Study Halls

Athletics

Fall

- Boys – football, soccer
- Girls – field hockey, soccer, cheerleading

Winter

- Boys – basketball, wrestling
- Girls – basketball, cheerleading

Athletics

Spring

- Boys – baseball, track
- Girls – softball, lacrosse, track

Activity Fee

- The school district charges a fee for your child's participation in certain activities.
- The activities currently carrying the fee include: all school sports teams, marching band, jazz ensemble, color guard, select string ensemble, show choir, musical productions
- The fee is a one-time charge each year.

Parent/Guardian Communication

- Home Access Center
- E-mail List (Week in Review)
- Coffee with the Principal

Home Access Center

- Opportunity for parents/guardians to check student grades and assignments on a regular basis
- Mid-quarter Progress Reports and Report Cards are posted on HAC
- If you do not have computer access, we will print report cards for you. You just need to let us know.

Home Access Center

- You can sign-up in August through our website or at the various orientations that we offer.
- All students are also assigned an account. They will use this in their 7th grade computer class. They can change their password so parents/guardians should set-up their own account.

School Safety

Safe Schools Committee

- Emergency Drills
- Building Plan
- Swipe Card System
- Connect-ED
- Camera System

No Place for Hate

- Emphasis on treating each other with respect.
- Some sample activities from this year:
 - Walnut St. Theater: *Freedom Riders*
 - NPFH Day
 - Acts of Kindness

Other Important Information

- Student Handbook
- 6 Day Cycle
- School Supplies
- Gym Uniform
- Lunch
- Dress Code

Daily Schedule

- Doors Open - 7:15 AM
- Homeroom - 7:35 AM

- Bus Students Dismissed – 2:40 PM
- All other students Dismissed – 2:43 PM

Ways to Help

- Can Tabs
- Box Tops for Education
- Redner's Receipts
- Giant A+ School Rewards
- Coke Rewards
- Bear Essentials Group

Transition Schedule

- I visited your elementary school last week.
- Student Tour of East –
Wednesday, May 1st

Transition Schedule

- 7th Grade Fun Night: Sept. 12
- 7th Grade Parent/Guardian Survival Night: Sept. 12 6:30 PM
- 7th Grade Team Building Day: September 25
- Back to School Night: Oct. 3 7 PM

Transition Schedule

- New Student Days:

August 15 1:00-3:00 PM

August 20 9:00-11:00 AM

- 7th Grade Orientation:

Tuesday, August 27 7:00 PM

Other Helpful Items

- Bear Ambassadors
- Extra time for lunch
- End-of-Day bus dismissal 5 minutes early
- Teachers understand that initially you will be late for class.
- Adults and Bear Ambassadors will be in the hallways to help you find your way.

Countdown to August 28th

- We are excited that you are coming to East!
- Don't be afraid to ask questions, we are here to help.
- Questions?