



# BOYERTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT

MIDDLE SCHOOL WEST

**Safety & Well-Being Acceptance & Respect Communication & Collaboration Learning & Growth**

*To cultivate an exceptional, innovative learning community that enables all students to succeed in a changing world.*

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April 2022

Dear Future Middle School West 6<sup>th</sup> Graders:

We hope you are looking forward to joining us next year at Middle School West. Even though this is an exciting time, it can also be a time of nervousness. This is a natural feeling and is to be expected. Below is a list of some of the things that are planned to help make your transition to Middle School West as easy and enjoyable as possible.

On Wednesday, May 11, 2022, current 5<sup>th</sup> graders will visit West during the school day for a special orientation assembly. In addition to the assembly, you will be given a tour of the building by our Bear Ambassadors. Bear Ambassadors are specially trained group of 8<sup>th</sup> grade students who represent our school by assisting during a variety of events.

The week before school starts in late August, we will invite all incoming students to West for our New Student Day. Students should attend at least one of two identical sessions scheduled for Wednesday, August 10, 2022, from 9:00AM-11:00AM and Tuesday, August 16, 2022, from 1:00PM – 3:00PM. At that time, you will be given the opportunity to practice opening your locker and walk around the building to find your classes. The principals and school counselors will be in the building to answer any questions you might have. These programs do not replace the 6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation evening announced below.

Additionally, on Wednesday, August 17, 2022, at 6:30 PM we will have 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orientation in the Middle School West Auditorium. At that time, we will be sharing important information with you and your parents/guardians. You will also have the opportunity to walk around the building again and take time to practice opening your locker.

During the first few days of school, you will be learning the policies and procedures that make our school a safe and orderly place. You will receive an agenda book which will help keep you organized and will also be used as your hallway passes. Your teachers and building administrators will review the important rules and answer any questions that you may have. Teachers will be in the hallways more than usual the first few weeks to help new students. They realize students may be late during that time while you learn the new building. Additionally, our 8<sup>th</sup> grade Bear Ambassadors will be wearing their red shirts and will be available throughout the day providing assistance and guidance for our new students.

We are excited for your arrival to West and look forward to working with you during this time of transition.

Mrs. Stephanie L. Landis  
Principal

Mr. David S. Schmaldienst  
Assistant Principal