

Middle School Staff

Believe it or not, you have an entire team of people that work to help teach, support, and guide YOU. In addition to the middle school teachers, this team consists of tutors, specialists, and the office staff that are here to help!

Your team consists of...

Mr. Lewis- Science, Technology, 6th grade history, and 8th grade Bible

Mrs. Kvidahl- Math, 7/8th grade history, 7th grade Bible

Mrs. Chalfant- Math

Mrs. Patrick- Language Arts, 6th grade Bible

Ms. Geneser- Music and Spanish

Mrs. Lease- PE

Mrs. Bowler- S.A.S



Save the date:

Thursday, September 8, 2016
will be an important middle school
back to school night for ALL 6th-
8th students and parents!



Is it normal to feel this way?!?



- NERVOUS??
It's OK to be nervous!! Starting middle school is something new and different. Your fellow sixth graders are nervous, too, but you aren't alone! The staff at BCS is here to ease any concerns or fears you may have!
- EXCITED??
There is a lot to look forward to! New friends, new activities, lockers, more independence, switching classes, more opportunities...WOW!!

You may feel happy, anxious, excited and overwhelmed—and it's OK! Let's do this together!!

How is middle school different?



Starting middle school means more opportunities and challenges. You will have a busier schedule, an earlier start to the day (8:45), more teachers, more choices, and yes, more homework. Being in middle school means you are growing up, getting older, and with that comes more freedom and responsibility.

You will be challenged academically, socially, and spiritually. We are all on this journey together to grow in Christ and prepare for life beyond Bellingham Christian School.

Middle school rocks!!

What can I look forward to??

- **Retreats!**

In the fall and the winter, middle schoolers have the opportunity to play, laugh, worship, and grow together in the Lord—sooooo much fun!

Sept. 28-30 Lakeside Bible Camp
January 25-27 Firs Chalet

- **Service Projects**

In the spring, middle schoolers bless and serve others through a variety of service opportunities.

- **Music**

A variety of music opportunities offered by the fantastic Miss G!

- **Sports**

Tennis, soccer, and basketball teams in 7th and 8th grade

- **Math Club**

5th-8th grade beginning this fall

Keys to Success



So, how can YOU rock middle school?!? Here are some simple steps to achieve academic and personal success!

- **Stay organized**—Every middle school student has a planner. Make sure you use it every day to write down assignments, due dates, and other important information. Keep your notebook and locker neat. Organization and time management are among the most important skills you can practice!
- **Make time for homework**—Have a quiet place at home to do your work, limit distractions, and develop a consistent routine. Check Sycamore regularly so you know how you are doing in your classes.

- **Prioritize and Plan**—You will have multiple teachers with a variety of assignments, projects, and due dates. Plan ahead and manage your time so that you are not overwhelmed!
- **Ask for help when you need it**—The middle school teachers WANT to help you! Be bold, speak up, and learn to advocate for yourself! Teachers are available before, during, and after school to talk.
- **Be willing**—to learn, grow, fail, and succeed. You are in a safe environment to do all of those things—you just need to bring an open heart and a positive attitude.
- **Invite the Lord in**—He WANTS a relationship with YOU! What a fantastic time to grow your relationship with the living God!

Supply List

Below is a detailed supply list that will be important tools for success!

- ESV Bible
- 1 ½" or larger 3-ring binder—NO ZIPPERED BINDERS
- At least 7 subject dividers
- 1 dozen #2 pencils or mechanical pencils with extra lead
- Ball point pens (blue, black, red)
- 2 fine-point, black Sharpie markers
- 2 medium-point, black Sharpie markers
- 3-4 highlighter markers
- Colored pencils
- College-ruled notebook paper
- 5 composition notebooks
- (1) 3-subject spiral notebook
- (1) single subject spiral notebook
- 1 pkg. graph paper
- 2 pkg. lined index cards
- 3-4 pkg. post-it notes
- 3 glue sticks
- 1 good pair scissors
- Pencil pouch
- Calculator (TI-30X) Algebra students only
- Compass/protractor (6th grade only)
- 12" ruler with inches and centimeters
- 2 rolls of paper towels
- 1 box of Kleenex
- 2 pkg. disinfecting wipes
- Flash drive (school use only)