



General Information for Middle School Students and Parents

1. Terra Nova Test is administered each year in March. The students in 3rd through 7th grade also take the In-View test each year. This test gives us a cognitive score that comes into play when we determine who qualifies for Honors Math in 4th or 5th grades. They also look at the Terra Nova math and reading scores. You cannot enter Honors Math after 5th grade. The other times the Terra Nova and In-View scores come into play is when the student wants to apply for the National Junior Honor Society or be eligible for the Neumann Scholarship test. The qualifications are attached.
2. The My Student's Progress Program is used to compile all our families information, it gives the parents the ability to see their child/children's grades and assignments each day, and your child's report card will also show in this system. Each child will bring home their report card each trimester. We also communicate emergency closings when bad weather hits. Our students in Pre-K and kindergarten have their own report cards. In 1st through 3rd grade we use O, VG, G, NI(Needs Improvement), U. They also use a 4,3,2,1, system for the left side of the report card. The 4th through 8th grade uses number grades for all subjects and they also use the 4,3,2,1 system for the left side of the report card.
3. Please make a copy of both 7th and 8th grade report cards and keep them handy for when you are asked for a copy. Print from mystudentsprogress.com
4. The students need to know that any recommendation is not expected. They are to approach the teacher and administer to ask for a recommendation. Many just assume that the teacher is going to give them one. In high school, they must also ask a teacher for a recommendation, not just assume the teacher will give it. Once a teacher acknowledges she/he will give a recommendation, the paper must come in, in a timely manner. Not the day or two before it needs to be sent to the high school. You must also send an addressed, stamped envelope into school. Please have the information to the teacher 2 weeks before it needs to be sent in.
5. There are high school nights where all the high schools gather to give information to parents and students. These information nights are at different locations and dates in Bucks County. The principal will send home an email to the 8th grade homeroom to give this information. Also check the high schools for financial aid nights and other events for both 7th and 8th grade students. They offer a variety of events to give your students a chance to check out their school.
6. All diocesan high schools give merit scholarships from their entrance test and the Maguire Scholarship. Each high school offers other scholarships as well. Please check each high schools site for their individual scholarships.
7. All diocesan high school has financial aid available. You need to fill out application at smartaidforparents.com
8. Most Schools offer shadow days and visitation.

9. High School test prep practice websites.

- highschooltestprep.com
- www.studyguidezone.com/hsptest.htm
- More practice test & guides are available

10. **Please call the school office when your child is sick after 8:30a.m. or leave a message.**