

Durham Middle School

Cobb County School District
Students Achieving Extraordinary Success

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Dear Durham Sixth Grade Wildcats and Parents,

Welcome to Durham Middle School! This year you will find that sixth grade will be a lot different than last year in elementary school. As you start sixth grade, you will meet many new people and make new friends that went to different elementary schools. You will also tackle new curricula and experiences. As we are near the end of July and the new school year is fast approaching, here is information about Wildcat Day and our Sixth Grade Camp.

For all sixth-grade students, Wildcat Day will be on July 28, 2022, from 1:00 – 4:30 p.m. From 1:00 – 3:00 is for students only. At 3:00 there will be a parent meeting in the theater and then parents will join their student(s) in the sixth-grade classrooms.

Students during the camp, you will take a tour of our building, receive your schedule, go through your schedule to see where your classes are located, meet your teachers and pick up your laptop. In addition, you will also have an opportunity to get many housekeeping activities out of the way: purchase a yearbook, join PTSA, add money to your cafeteria account, and of course, show your parents around the school and introduce them to your teachers once they join you after the parent meeting.

For the remainder of the month, get out and enjoy the rest of summer and go ahead and start getting excited about starting middle school as a sixth-grade student. As you should probably know, Durham can be an exciting and enjoyable place. However, how exciting, and memorable the school year will be is ultimately up to you.

The whole sixth-grade team is looking forward to working with you and getting to know both you and your parents as you start your middle school years at Durham. Parents, we would like to ask that you please volunteer at the school with the PTSA in some capacity and on a regular basis. The transition from elementary school to middle school is a great experience however it can be difficult, for both students and parents. As your student(s) mature and grow during sixth grade, studies show that parent involvement is essential. Your presence here at Durham will keep you in the know, will be appreciated, and in the end, both you and your student will be rewarded. Please check our website regularly at www.cobbk12.org/Durham, as it will become an important communication tool throughout the school year.

Sincerely,

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