



August 2017

Dear Students and Parents/Guardians,

Welcome to Team 6A at Vernon Center Middle School! We hope you have been enjoying the summer and are looking forward to the new school year.

All students at VCMS will be expected to exemplify our school's core values. Our core values are Safety, Organization, Achievement, Respect & Responsibility. To start the school year off right, we have some tips for you.

Safety- Backpacks must fit in your locker that is 6" wide by 12" deep. The wheeled book bags do not fit in our lockers. Backpacks are not permitted in classes: therefore, you'll need a small bag to transport gym clothes.

Organization- In middle school, organization is important. Please refer to this list when purchasing supplies.

Individual Student Supplies: (students bring these items to class every day)

1. Two 3-ring binders (2inch)
2. One subject spiral notebook
3. Subject dividers (approximately 10)
4. One vinyl 3-hole pocket folder. This is used as a homework folder, stored in one of the binders.
5. Pencils, erasers, blue or black pens, red, green or purple correcting pens, highlighters and colored pencils.
6. A three-holed, metal, grommet pencil case that fits into your 2 inch binder.

Note: We strongly recommend not purchasing permanent markers, oversized binders with lots of pockets or assignment books. A plan book is provided by the school and required for students to use daily.

Classroom Supplies: The following supplies are needed all year long. Please consider donating one of these items, if possible. They will be stored in the classroom and used by the team as needed: Pencils, eraser caps, wide-ruled loose leaf paper, glue sticks, tissues.

Achievement- Please complete the following summer assignments. These count as your first 6th grade homework!

1. Commissioner's 2017 Summer Math Challenge: Complete the summer math log. These were handed out to students by their 5th grade teachers in June. It can be found on www.ct.gov/sde
2. Read a book of your choice (grade level appropriate). Complete an Active Reader Report that was given to students by their 5th grade teachers in June. It can also be found on the VCMS website.
<http://vernonpublicschools.org/vcms-homepage>

Respect & Responsibility- Supplies will be needed for the first week of September. If you have any doubts about what to purchase, wait and buy it after you talk to your teachers.

We hope you enjoy the remainder of your summer break. We're looking forward to the new school year!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Converse ☉ Mrs. Dutton ☉ Mrs. Hoyt ☉ Mrs. Redekas ☉ Mrs. Roy ☉ Miss Scillitoe ☉ Mrs. Woodruff