

Rutledge Middle School “RAMS”

OPEN HOUSE

8/28/2023

5:30 pm

Dr. G. Alexander, Principal

Mrs. C. Watkins, Assistant Principal

Midfield City Schools

ONE District
ONE Vision
ONE Goal

Let the *MAGIC* BEGIN!



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Midfield City Schools

Vision Statement

Our vision is to prepare graduates for excellence in a global, innovative, and diverse society.

Mission Statement

The core purpose of Midfield City Schools is to educate our community of learners in a safe environment.

OPEN HOUSE AGENDA

- ▶ Welcome
- ▶ Student Arrival/Dismissal
- ▶ Attendance/Tardies
- ▶ Visitors/School Safety
- ▶ Student Code of Conduct
- ▶ CHAMPS & Foundation
- ▶ School-Wide Assessment
- ▶ RMS Counseling Department
- ▶ Student Medications
- ▶ Parent Workshops (PoP)
- ▶ Contact Information
- ▶ Communication Information

Attendance/Tardies

- ▶ It is imperative students attend school daily on time to receive classroom instruction.
- ▶ Research has proven students who miss school consistently fall behind and struggles to catch up.
- ▶ It is also important students arrive at school on time ready to engage in learning.
- ▶ Please see the Student Code of Conduct for Midfield City Schools attendance policy.

❑ **Excused Absences**

- ❑ If your child is absent, then please send a parent written excuse or doctor's note within 3 days of returning to school.
- ❑ Only 4 parent's notes will be accepted (excused) per semester.
- ❑ 1st Semester (August-December)
- ❑ 2nd Semester (January-May)

❑ **Unexcused Absences**

- ❑ After two unexcused absences: The child's teacher will call or the attendance committee
- ❑ After three unexcused absences: The Attendance Committee will contact the parent/guardian
- ❑ After four unexcused absences: A meeting with a Student Services representative will be scheduled
- ❑ Five or More unexcused absences: Early Warning court will address attendance issues

Arrival/Dismissal

Arrival

- ▶ Before 7:30
 - ▶ Students will not be supervise or allowed in the building before 7:30 am.
- ▶ 7:30 – 7:50
 - ▶ Students report to the gym or to the cafeteria for breakfast.
- ▶ 7:50
 - ▶ Homeroom Begin!
- ▶ 8:00
 - ▶ 1st period begins
 - ▶ Students are tardy at 8:00
 - ▶ Parents/Guardians must sign students into school in the front office after 8:00 am.

Dismissal

- ▶ 2:50 – 3:00
 - ▶ Students begin preparing for dismissal.
- ▶ 3:00
 - ▶ Students are dismissed from the building.
 - ▶ Walkers are dismissed first.
- ▶ All students are directed to the crosswalks to cross the street.
- ▶ Please communicate with your child on how they will get home from school. Any changes should be communicated with the office before school is dismissed.

Visitors/School Safety

- ▶ All visitors will be required to sign in and show ID in the front office to enter past the lobby.
 - ▶ School safety is a priority in Midfield City Schools.
- ▶ When the school has an heightened threat parents will not be able to check students in and out of school.
- ▶ When students are checking out they can only be released to individuals listed in PowerSchool. (NO EXCEPTIONS)
 - ▶ Changes can only be made by the parent/guardian.

Student Code of Conduct



Dress Code Highlights

No **open holes**
in jeans above
the knees

**Tights/leggings/
jeggings** must
be worn with a
long shirt

Pants must be
worn at the
waist (**no
sagging or
slacking**)

- ▶ Students are not allowed to have cell phones on them in classrooms during instruction unless authorized by their teacher or a school administrator.
 - ▶ ALL cell phones should be turned OFF during school hours.
 - ▶ **Parents/Guardians please do not call your child on their cell phone during school hours.**
 - ▶ ALL cellphones are either put in the locker, given to a teacher, or put in book bags (5th grade only).
- ▶ Bookbags should be mesh/clear (safety first). (Lockers are \$10)
- ▶ ALL students are expected to follow the Midfield City School dress code.

CHAMPS & Foundations Demonstrate Site Ready

Rutledge Middle School is a CHAMPS & Foundation Demonstrate Site.

What is CHAMPS & Foundation?

CHAMPS & Foundations are a positive, proactive approach to improving classroom and school-wide student behavior. It is also a model to help increase student academic achievement through individual student interventions.

RMS Guidelines to SUCCESS!

Respect, Achieve, Motivate, & Succeed

(RAMS)

RMS Counseling Department

Classroom Whole Group Instruction
Small Group Instruction
Individual Counseling (as needed)

Middle School Topics Covered:

Increasing Academic Achievement
Increasing Attendance
Decreasing Discipline
Improving Effective Communication
Developing Study & Organization Skills

RMS Counseling Department

Contact Information

School Counselor:

Mrs. O. Bethel

obethal@midfield.k12.al.us

Student Medication

- ▶ Parents/Guardians, you are required to speak with the school nurse and fill out the proper paperwork for the medication your child needs at school
- ▶ If your child requires medication at school please contact the school nurse
- ▶ Masks are still optional. If students desire to wear a mask they must have their own.
- ▶ The school nurse does not have over-the-counter medication for students who may experience illness at school.
- ▶ ALL medication (prescribed or over-the-counter) must be brought to the school by parents/guardians.
- ▶ Students must be approved by the school nurse and MD to have medication on themselves.

District Lead Nurse
&
RMS School Nurse

Ms. J. Dial

jdial@midfield.k12.al.us

(205) 780 -8647 ext. 3005

School Wide Assessments

We use the research-based program **i-Ready** to progress monitor data, assess students learning, and guide our planning for instruction throughout the school year.

Fall Diagnostics Assessment: Aug. 23rd – Sept. 1st

Winter Assessment: December 12th – 16th (tentative)

Spring Assessment: May 2nd – May 12th (tentative)

Alabama Department of Education Assessment:
Alabama Comprehensive Assessment Program
(ACAP) Summative/Alternate
Spring (April/May)

Contact/Communication Information

- ▶ Parent-Teacher Conferences
 - ▶ Please email/call your child's teacher to set up a conference or call the school.
 - ▶ Please allow teachers 24 to 48 hours to return your phone call.
- ▶ If there is an emergency and you need to contact your child please call the school, not your child's cell phone.
- ▶ School information/updates can be found on the RMS Facebook page, School website, or through the school REMIND App.

School Information

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School Phone (205) 780 - 8647

We Are RUTLEDGE!



THANK YOU ALL FOR THE CONTINUOUS
SUPPORT YOU HAVE SHOWN THE FACULTY,
STAFF, AND STUDENTS HERE AT RUTLEDGE
MIDDLE SCHOOL!

“OUR BEST, ALWAYS!”

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