

Welcome to Team Lakemont Park

The teachers of the Lakemont Park Team are excited about the upcoming 2013 - 2014 school year. We are looking forward to meeting each of our students and working together to have a great school year.

Because junior high school brings many new challenges, we stress developing organization and responsibility. Changing from one teacher to seven teachers, moving from classroom to classroom, and keeping track of assignments for each subject can sometimes feel overwhelming. Teachers will help students to develop organizational skills that will help them successfully manage materials and assignments. Printed below are some of the requirements and suggestions that Team Lakemont Park has for students:

- **Pencils** Students will be <u>required</u> to have a pencil in every core class, every day. No exceptions! Students who come to class unable to participate because they did not bring a pencil will lose preparation points for the day.
- Calculator <u>Although this is not required</u>, purchasing a Texas Instrument TI-30XIIS
 to be used at home for math homework would be helpful since this is the model
 provided in class for students. Class calculators may not be taken home since we
 have only one class set for all students to share.
- AM and PM Three-ring Binders (suggested) We strongly recommend that students have one binder for morning classes and one binder for afternoon classes. Each section should be labeled for each class. Former students have said that this was one of the most helpful ways to keep materials organized.
- **Thumb Drive (suggested)** Some people call it a "flash drive." No matter what term you use, this tool will be very helpful, particularly for Integrated Science.

Thanks in advance for your help. Together we can make the transition from elementary school to junior high school a smooth one. We look forward to working with you and your son or daughter in the upcoming school year!

Sincerely,

Mr. Bollinger (World Geography), Mrs. Conway (Pre-Algebra), Mrs. Piper (Integrated Science), Mrs. Baughman (English), Mrs. Good (Reading), and co-teachers Mrs. Nagle, Mr. Sinisi, Mr. Genovese, and Mr. Monahan