



## Welcome to the Sapphire Team!



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**Mrs. Gallagher** (Team Leader/French)  
**Mrs. Wexler** (Science)  
**Mrs. Staublely** (Mathematics)

**Mr. Sallof** (Social Studies)  
**Ms. Moses** (Language Arts)  
**Ms. Faulkner** (Language Arts/Resource)

**Ms. Dombek** (PE)  
**Mr. Pia** (Music)

We hope you are having a restful, relaxing summer full of time with your family and friends! We are very excited to have you on our team this year. As a team, we plan to help you discover the most effective ways for you to learn. We will work with you on developing strategies to improve the quality of your work, your independence and your confidence as a learner.

### Here are the expectations we have for ourselves and all Sapphire students:

- Be present, prepared and focused each school day.
- Find your voice and participate in classes.
- Continue to be responsible, respectful, and good citizens.
- Participate in extracurricular activities.
- Choose to be positive and kind to others.

Share what team you're  
on with your friends!

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### What skills will help you be more successful in your classes? Here are our top three:

- **Plan ahead:** You have activities and other obligations outside of school— we know that! Take the time to plan ahead when other activities fall on the same times as school responsibilities. We like to say “being a student is your job” so it must be a priority. Communicate with your parents/guardians and your teachers about any absences you may foresee due to travel, family obligations, etc.
- **Self-advocate:** We encourage you to ask questions during class and to seek us out for extra help. Very often seeing a teacher for just a few minutes during lunch, learning lab or before or after school can make a significant difference in your understanding. One of the best ways to self-advocate is to email teachers with specific questions. Most of the time, we can respond soon after and help you solve a problem prior to the next day!
- **Work well with others:** This year you will be asked to work as part of a group. We will work with you on how to be an effective group member. These skills include the ability to listen to others’ ideas, share your own thoughts, recognize and compliment other students’ ideas and strategies, as well as share the workload required. Effective groups not only create a great final product but learn a lot along the way!

We look forward to meeting you and working with you this year. **Enjoy the remainder of your summer!**



# 7th Grade Supply List



- 1 large 3 ring binder (3 inches or larger) or an organizational system that works for you (ie accordion, separate folders, etc.)
- Tab dividers
- Dry Erase Markers (please no red)
- White lined paper
- Earbuds
- Pencils
- Colored pencils
- Highlighters
- Erasers
- Hand held pencil sharpener
- Calculator
- Pencil pouch to hold these supplies
- Free choice reading book, which you will carry with you to **all** classes, **every** day.
- Personal Daily Planner of your choice
- Composition notebook (50 or 100 pages)

\*There may be additional items required by individual teachers. You will get this list when you come to school.

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## Cost estimates for '18– '19 7th grade trips

There are already a few field trips planned to extend and enhance your learning. To help families plan ahead, we are sharing estimated dates and costs of field trips this year.

- Team building trip to Camp Sloper, September..... \$20
- Science Center Trip, March.....\$25
- End of Year Trip; June..... \$45
- Yearbook (optional)..... \$23