

# The Viking View “from the middle” Grades 6, 7, and 8

We are beginning a new school year and introducing a brand new focus at our junior high! Research suggests that the middle grades are the best time for career exploration. To that end, students in grades 6th-8th will be exploring their interests and future career opportunities through classroom lessons and activities. Some of their class assignments will reflect further study of the 17 career clusters as identified by Michigan Department of Education. We believe this will better prepare our students to make informed decisions about their future educational paths. We are excited about this new venture and know the students will be, also.

If you'd like to share information about your career with our students, please contact Mrs. Wildner in our office. We'd love to have you!

### Upcoming Dates

- Wed, Aug.14th  
First day for students!
- Labor Day break  
Aug. 30-Sept.3
- Smile! It's Picture Day  
on Mon. Sept. 23rd



Our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students are assessed in math and reading three times each school year. Our final assessments in June revealed that 32% of our students who received intervention in reading, had moved up an entire tier in reading! Of the students in math intervention, 31% moved up at least one tier. Two students actually jumped two tiers! Way to go!

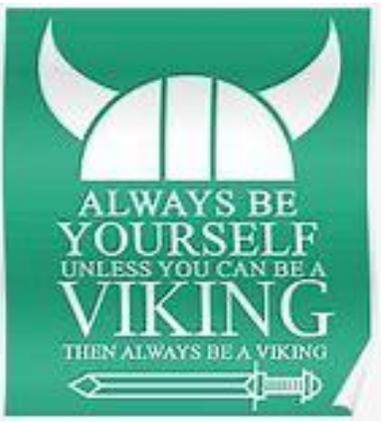
## WELCOME TO THE START OF THE 2019/20 SCHOOL YEAR!

Mrs. Morley has rejoined the Viking Nation as our Dean of Students. She will also be teaching high school math.

In addition, we have some new class offerings with two art classes, beginning and advanced band classes, Michigan History, S.T.E.M., and computers.

**IT'S GOING TO BE A GREAT YEAR!**





## Did You Know...?



**Did you know** our 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students have daily access to Chromebooks? There are many ways we use technology in the classroom. Students use Chromebooks to read ebooks, research, write documents, create slide presentations, play learning games, take quizzes, and various other applications. At A-F, we are preparing our students for tomorrow by using today's technology.

### Meet the Junior High Staff!

Andrew Beauvais - Building Principal, Athletic Director

Abi Wildner - Building Administrative Assistant

Nicole Morley - Dean of Students

Mark Cockerill - Math, Science, P.E

Faye Dycus - English, Special Education, Intervention

Andrew Hoffman - Science

Alice Hudson - Social Studies, Math, S.T.E.M.

David Johnson - Intervention

Lee Matherne - Special Education, Communications

Kerry Myers - Art

Krystal Prime - Intervention

John Timko - Music

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