



IDAHO CITY MIDDLE SCHOOL
GRADES 7-8
SCHOOL YEAR 2010-2011

- Superintendent and Principal
John McFarlane
- MS Dean of Students
Sean Porter
- Counselor
Berta Huffman

Daily Schedule

- Middle School students have seven classes each day.
- Passing periods are four minutes long.
- The day begins at 8:15 and ends at 3:18 PM (see Summer News Letter for details).

Meals

- All students receive free breakfast.
- MS and HS lunches are \$2.20.
- Free/reduced lunch forms will be available during registration in August.

Attendance

- School board policy requires 90% attendance. (If you do not have a temperature or are not throwing up, we expect you to be in school)
- Please excuse any absences by phone or in writing within 48 hours.
- Any absence from class without knowledge and permission of parent and/or school authority is considered a truancy.

Tardy

- Students are considered tardy if they are late for school in the morning or late for any class during the day.
- Student who are habitually tardy to class will receive lunch detention.



Code of Conduct

- It is our goal to meet the educational needs of every child by working with parents and the community. It is our philosophy that this goal is best met in an atmosphere of reasonable control and safety.
- Every effort will be made to keep MS students separated from HS students.

Lockers

- MS lockers are located in the fine arts hallway (near the music and art rooms), well away from the high school lockers.

Closed Campus

- **Students in Idaho City Middle School have closed campus.**
- **Students who live *in* Idaho City can request a lunch pass only if a parent is home during the day.**

Dress Code

- Students who wear inappropriate clothing to school will be asked to remove or cover the article.
- Inappropriate clothing includes:

- Clothing, patches, hats, etc. that contain vulgarity, references to alcohol, drugs, tobacco, nudity or foul or suggestive language or any other items considered inflammatory.
- Clothing which is exceedingly tight, revealing or immodest (transparent blouses, halter tops, backless tops or dresses, spaghetti straps, bare sides, very low cut tops, hot pants, or spandex.)
- Bare feet.

- Hats in classrooms without teacher's permission.
- Shirts that do not cover the shoulders (no tank tops).
- Shorts that are not fingertip length.
- Skirts that are not two inches below fingertip length.

Emergency Closing

- You will receive a phone call notification from LUMEN (please make sure phone numbers are updated)
- Local radio stations
- Television stations

Student Expectations

- Arrive to class on time.
- Respect self and others.
- Abstaining from any form of harassment, bullying, or intimidation.
- Have paper, pencil or pen, and textbook out and ready at the beginning of each class.
- Know and follow the rules of each classroom
- Use appropriate language.
- Follow all reasonable requests made by any staff member.

Report Cards and Progress

- Grade sheets are sent 8 times a year:
 - 4 progress reports
 - 4 report cards, one each quarter
(Dates on district calendar)
- Parents can check grades, assignments and attendance through the Parent Portal

Homework

- Extend learning opportunities
- Monitor learning experiences
- Reinforce study skills
- Create a sense of personal responsibility



Parent/Teacher Conferences

- Each fall to review current progress and ISAT goals
- Via e-mail by *teacher last name, first initial@sdo72.k12.id.us*.

Testing

- Idaho Scholastic Aptitude Test (ISAT) each spring
- 7th grade Direct Writing Assessment (Dec.)
- 8th grade Direct Math Assessment (Dec.)
- End of course assessments in core classes (each semester)

Honor Roll

- Highest Honors: 3.75-4.0
- High Honors: 3.5-3.749
- Honor Roll: 3.0-3.495
- Students with a 3.5 or better GPA will be invited to apply for membership in NJHS

National Junior Honor Society

- Consistent 3.5 GPA (1st semester and 3rd quarter grades)
- Students will need to apply and interview for acceptance
- Induction into NJHS takes place during the Academic Awards Ceremony in the spring

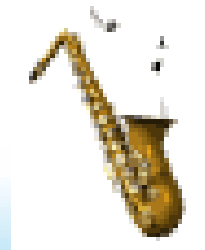
After School Activities

- Tutoring all year, Monday and Thursday

3:30 – 5:00 in the library

Fall: Football, Volleyball, Cross country

- Winter: Basketball
- Spring: Track
- Cheerleading
- Music and Art



Athletics

- All students are encouraged to participate in the sport or sports of their choice.
- You can pick up an activity packet in the office and during fall registration.
- A sports physical is required the first year and alternate years after that.

MIDDLE SCHOOL ATHLETIC PROGRAMS

We have a strong belief that participation in activities is extremely important within the educational community. Participants learn valuable life skills through our athletic programs.

- ▣ Student/athletes learn the value of teamwork and increased social skills
- ▣ Students/athletes learn the benefits of being physically active to a healthy lifestyle
- ▣ Student/athletes get important information on nutrition for lifelong health
- ▣ Learn to be positive role models within our school community
- ▣ Learn to be positive representatives of our school and community in public

Our athletic programs are lead by quality coaches who care about kids, understand the importance of having students in our school who are involved and put our students safety and well being as our number one priority.

Additions to Idaho High School Graduation Requirements

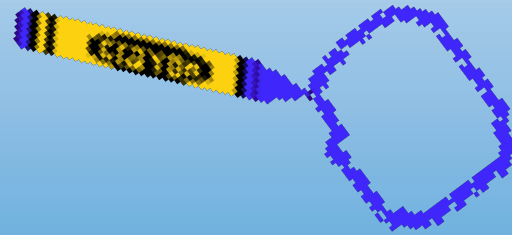
**Beginning with
the Class of 2013**

- Take three (3) years of math, one of which must be the last year of high school, and must include Algebra 1 and Geometry
- Pre-Algebra before entering 9th grade
- Take three (3) years of science (with a minimum of 4 semesters of lab science) that must include: Biology; physical science or chemistry; and earth, space, environmental, or approved applied science.

- Senior Project that includes an oral presentation and written report.
- Take the ACT, SAT or Compass exam by the end of 11th grade.
- Pass the Science ISAT, in addition to Reading, Math, and Language.

7th Grade Classes

- English
- Reading
- Math (at appropriate math level)
- Life Science
- Geography
- PE/Health
- Study skills



Study Skills/Study Hall

- Using “Success 4 Students” Curriculum

Content includes organizing the daily planner, listening and paraphrasing, memory skills, note taking, prioritizing and decision making, increasing reading speed, how to study, critical and creative thinking skills, test-taking strategies, and communicating through writing.

And...time and help with homework



*Subject to change: Final touches to master schedule are done over the summer.

8TH GRADE CLASSES

- English
- Reading
- Pre-Alg (or recommended Math)
- Earth Science
- World History
- Elective Wheel
- Elective Wheel (Art and Shop;
Spanish; Study Hall; Band)

Course Content

- Aligned to state standards by grade and subject
- Idaho Content Standards can be found at:
www.sde.idaho.gov/site/content_standards/

Questions?

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