

**Voorhees Middle School**  
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Dear Parents/Guardians of Incoming Sixth Grade Students:

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As Principal of VMS, it is my pleasure to officially welcome you to our school. The first event to take place as you start the journey of being a VMS parent is our parent night. **Incoming 6th Parent Night is scheduled for Monday, June 12th at 6:00 PM in the VMS Theater.** It is our hope that this orientation meeting will be the start of a smooth and on-going transition from elementary to middle school. If you miss this evening, the presentation will be on the VMS website, as well as the district website, after June 3rd. This night is for parents only.

In the very near future, our counselors and some VMS students will be meeting with 5<sup>th</sup> graders at each of our elementary schools. These meetings will give us an opportunity to share information about VMS and answer student questions. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders always love to get the opportunity to speak to current VMS students!

Parents often ask us about after school activities at VMS. There are a multitude of clubs and activities that include intramural sports, student council, chess, running club, gaming, newspaper, adopt-a-grandparent, band, vocal music, drama, and more. In addition we have an exceptional interscholastic sports program. However, before any student may participate on any interscholastic sport team, they must have completed an annual physical examination by their family doctor within 365 days before the first day of the team's tryout. School permission forms must be completed and submitted to the school nurse. Physical forms are available for download from our website under Programs-Nurse's Office-Sports.

6<sup>th</sup> grade orientation for the students will take place on **August 19th and August 20th**. Students with a last name starting with A-M will attend on August 19th and students with a last name that starts with N-Z will attend on August 20th. Please plan accordingly! This day will consist of ice breaking activities, locker opening, a scavenger hunt of the school and more. This is a very exciting day for our new 6<sup>th</sup> graders as it is the start of becoming a VMS Viking!

I look forward to working with you and your family. I will be sending updates and detailed information throughout the summer.

Sincerely,

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