

Fifth Grade Parents,

March is here, and it is time to start thinking about your learner's exciting new path they will begin next fall at Harrisburg North Middle School. Our administrative team would like to extend an invitation to join us in the upcoming weeks to talk about some of the upcoming

On **Monday, March 12th** at 6:30 PM, we invite our **Explorer and Journey** fifth-grade parents to join us in the North Middle School Performing Arts Center.

On **Monday, March 19th** at 6:30 PM, we invite our **Endeavor and Horizon** fifth-grade parents to join us in the North Middle School Performing Arts Center.

Our topics will include:

Personalized Learning Pathway – Next year, we will offer a choice to our 6th grade learners of a traditional or personalized learning pathway. Both pathways will offer rigorous curriculum, peer collaboration, and standards-based assessments that will help us identify your son or daughter's areas of strength and opportunities for growth. Each pathway is designed to focus on individual learning styles and preferences.

6th Grade Band & Chorus – Our music teachers would like to share their programs with each of you and talk about your student joining them for band, chorus, or both!

iPads & Take-Home Devices – Harrisburg North Middle School will begin to use iPads as our 1:1 device of choice with your son or daughter's class! In addition, we will offer the opportunity for them to extend their learning experience at home with take home devices.

Advanced Program – With the 2018-2019 school year, we will transition to an "all-in" advanced program. With our growth and scheduling challenges, we want to ensure we are giving all of our learners an opportunity to succeed, and this move will allow us to go more in-depth with cross-curricular offerings.

Middle School Scheduling – As your learner transitions from elementary into middle school, it is our desire to help them as they grow from a primary to a secondary learner. We will walk you through what a school day will look like for a traditional learner (TL) and a personalized learner (PL).

ICU Database – At North Middle School, we are committed to 100% completion of 100% assignments to ensure that all of our learners have mastered the skills needed for the next level. The ICU Database is a communication tool designed to facilitate the conversation between students, teachers, and parents. This trifecta of support will help us move our learners down the path of responsibility and ownership.

Please do not hesitate to email or call if I can answer any questions you may have. I look forward to seeing you all in the coming weeks.

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