



## **SUCCESS FOR EVERY OAK RIDGE STUDENT**

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### **General School Information**

**School Website:** <http://jefferson.ortn.edu> Click on blue links to go straight to the website!

**Pupil Services Website:** <http://ortn.edu> click on *Pupil Services* for information on attendance policies, discipline code handbook (includes dress code information), residency, pupil aid applications, cross boundary information, tuition policies/rates and street listings according to school zones.

**School Mascot and Colors:** Eagle, Blue and Gold

**School Hours** 7:40-2:45 (M, T, TR, F) and 7:40-12:45 (W)

Students may not arrive to school prior to 7:00 a.m. Sixth grade students gather in the gym prior to the 7:30 a.m. bell. Seventh and Eighth grade student will gather in front of the school on the pavement area or in front lobby at 8<sup>th</sup> grade locker area. Students are dismissed from the gym for breakfast (6<sup>th</sup> grade) around 7:10 a.m. and 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade from front lobby. When the bell rings at 7:30 students will be dismissed to their first period class. All students must be in their first period class by 7:40 a.m.

Students must leave school grounds by 3:15 PM (M, T, TR, F) and 1:15 (W)

### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Required Courses**

English, Math, Reading, Science, Social Studies, Physical Education, Art, Keyboarding and Career Exploration

### **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Elective Courses**

Band, Orchestra, Chorus and Study Hall

### **Clubs and Activities**

An updated list of Clubs and Activities will be published on the JMS website at the beginning of the school year. Please refer to this year's list on our webpage as a reference for programs we offered this school year. If you have specific questions, you may contact the listed club sponsor.

### **Homework Help Program**

Teacher volunteers provide before and after school homework help. This time provides an opportunity for students to get help on specific assignments or have a quiet place to work. An updated list of homework help sessions will be published on the JMS website at the beginning of the school year. Please refer to this year's list on our webpage as a reference for sessions we offered this school year. This is not tutoring.

### Parent to School Communication

**Skyward** – This online portal allows students and parents to view, grades, schedule, attendance, discipline, cafeteria balance, message center and assignments. The access link is on the Jefferson Home Page. Skyward usernames and passwords are provided at the beginning of the year. Non-custodial parents must contact director of Pupil Services, Dr. Henderson to receive access to Skyward. A valid and working email address must be in the Skyward system in order to receive log in information.

**Canvas**- Parents will need to create their own username and password for their Canvas account. Canvas provides a platform where all communication is held for weekly and daily assignments.

**Skylert**- Oak Ridge Schools has implemented an alert system, which will contact parents and staff by phone for emergency situations or school announcements, called "Skylert". In order to receive messages from this system it is essential that correct telephone and email information be listed in the family contact component of our Skyward Student Management System. Please contact the school and update telephone numbers and email addresses as needed to continue to receive information from Skylert.

**Student Planners**-Students use planner for recording of daily assignments as well as teacher or parent notes. Planners will be made available to all student free of charge at JMS during the first week of school.

### Grading Scale

A (93-100) B (85-92) C (75-84) D (70-74) F (69-Below)

### Jefferson Cafeteria Meal Program

Jefferson cafeteria serves breakfast and lunch daily. Updated meal prices will be published at the beginning of each school year. The menus for are posted monthly on the school website.

Family Pupil Aid Applications for free and reduced price meals will be sent home with students during the first week of school.

### Contact Information

**Principal's Office** 425-9301

**Counseling Office** 425-9302

**School Nurse** 425-9338

**School Fax** 425-9339

**Transportation** 425-3191

**Oak Ridge Schools Extended Childcare Program 425-9007**

**Pupil Services 425-9009**

**Save the Dates- These dates are tentative due to COVID-19**

**Thursday, July 25<sup>h</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> Grade New Student Orientation from 1:00pm-2:30pm at Jefferson Middle School**

**Monday, July 29<sup>th</sup> – First day of school!**

**Tuesday, August 4<sup>th</sup> – Fall Open House, Time TBA**