

Welcome to PVJH

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Key Team Members

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Student Goals for Success

To assist students as they transition to junior high we recommend they...

- strive to do their best academically.
- embrace mistakes – leads to learning.
- complete their homework and read for enjoyment everyday.
- commit to attending school everyday.
- come to school with a positive attitude.
- get involved in multiple after school activities.

General Information

- New Construction
- School Day
 - Start time – Busses – Lunch – Lockers – Passing Time
- Character Counts – Expectations
- Electronic Devices
- Advisor-Advisee period
- Immunization – Needed for 7th Grade
 - Tdap & Meningitis (No Grace Period – need August 23rd)

Changes from Elementary

- Earlier start time
- Additional teachers (6 to 8 teachers per day)
- Increase in homework
- Letter grades for all classes
- Social changes due to new classes and two lunch periods
- Multiple opportunities to get involved after school
- Role of counselors
 - Vera French school-based therapy

7th Grade Course Offerings

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- **Core Classes**

- Language Arts – Math – Science – Social Studies

- **Orientation Classes**

- Art – Design & Modeling – FACS – World Language

- **Specials**

- Physical Education and Health

- **Electives**

- Band (M/W/F) – Chorus (T/Th/F or T/Th) – Orchestra (M/W/F)

Making the Academic Transition

- Student Planners
 - Organization
- Binders/files for homework—color coded
- After school study table assistance
- Infinite Campus – Student Portal
 - Weekly missing assignment email
- Teacher websites

Communication Networks

- District Calendar
- e-News (upcoming events, newsletters, announcements...)
- Daily announcements on junior high website & school monitors
- Weekly calendar on cafeteria wall
- Infinite Campus – Parent Portal
- Email / Phone calls

Activities

- Sports
 - Season I: Football – Volleyball – Cross Country – Cheerleading
 - Season II: Girls Basketball – Wrestling – Cheerleading
 - Season III: Boys Basketball– Swimming – Cheerleading
 - Season IV: Track – Strength & Conditioning
- Physical & Concussion Forms
- Transportation

Activities

- Art Club
- Polar Bear Running Club
- Environmental Club
- Tennis
- Chamber Choir
- Math Counts
- Mock Trial
- Geography Bee
- Spelling Bee
- Chess
- Robotics
- Yearbook
- Drama Club
- Newspaper
- Spartan Book Club
- Student Council
- Anime Club
- FACS Club
- Partners with a Purpose

Registration and Transition Dates

- **February 28th and March 2nd:** Elementary Conferences & Registration for 7th grade
- **April:** 7th grade student panels visit the elementary schools
- **Middle of May:** 6th graders visit PVJH during school day

Registration and Transition Dates

- **Wed., Aug 16:** Back to School Day
- **Thurs., Aug 17:** New JH Students to District Welcome Reception
- **Thurs., Aug 17:** JH Open Until 7:00
- **Wed., Aug 23:** First Day of School
- **Thurs., Aug 24:** JH Open House 6:30