

Welcome to PVJH

COMMITTED TO EXCELLENCE
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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...

- Work hard
- Embrace **mistakes** – leads to learning
- Complete assignments and read for enjoyment everyday
- Be at school everyday
- Positive attitude
- Be involved in school activities

General Information

- School Day
 - Start time – Lunch – Lockers – Passing Time (4 minutes)
- PVJH Expectations
 - Be Responsible
 - Be Respectful
 - Be Safe
- Backpacks
- Electronic Devices
- Meningitis Immunization – Needed Before 1st day of school for 7th Grade **No Grace Period**

Changes from Elementary

- Earlier start time – 7:34
- Additional teachers (6 to 8 teachers per day)
- Letter grades for all classes
- Multiple opportunities to get involved after school
- Advisor-Advisee period
- 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
- **Wellness/PE**
 - 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
- Student Independence
- 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 & Infinite Campus
- 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 (Activity Bus)

Activities

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

Registration and Transition Dates

- **February 27th and March 1st:**
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

- **Thurs, Aug 16:** Back to School Day
- **Fri, Aug 17:** New JH Students to District Welcome Reception
- **Fri, Aug 17:** JH Open 10:00-3:00
- **Mon, Aug 20:** School Open until 7:00
- **Thurs, Aug 23:** First Day of School
- **Tues, Aug 28:** JH Open House 6:30