



Gillette Road Middle School  
5th Grade Orientation  
May 2020

**The administration, teachers, and staff at Gillette Road Middle School are committed to providing our students a high quality education by working collaboratively in the following ways:**

Providing a safe, respectful, and nurturing environment that challenges our students to learn and grow.

Striving to support our students in successfully transitioning through early adolescence and preparing for their future as productive, empowered citizens.

Valuing our diversity and encouraging curiosity and academic achievement through differentiated instruction, student engagement, and providing a variety of extracurricular experiences.

Using a collaborative approach where we work to share resources and expertise to meet students' needs and challenge each student to reach their full potential.



**Learning  
Growing  
Succeeding  
TOGETHER**





# 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Schedule

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- 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Students Share a Common Corridor
- Students are placed on a Team of 2 or 3 Teachers
- Students receive 80 minutes of instruction in ELA & Math each day; Science & Social Studies for 80 minutes every-other-day
- 2 Day Rotation for Specials by Semester (Physical Education all year; Art, Music ½ year)
- 40 Minutes for Lunch; Students eat with Team



# Arts at GRMS

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- Band
- Orchestra
- School Musical
- Chorus
- Art and Music as Specials (5-7)
- Festival of Arts
- Marching Band Club
- Color Guard Club
- Yearbook Club
- Anime Club

# Technology at GRMS



- Innovator's Club
- Announcement Team
- Technology Class (Grade 7)
- Tech Crew (Grades 5-7)
- Annual Science Fair
- Instructional Platforms: Google Drive, Google Classroom



# Communication



- GRMS Website
  - Weekly Calendar
  - Teacher Pages/Contact Info
  - Daily Announcements
  - School Handbook
  - SchoolTool
- School Messenger
- Monthly Principal's Notes
- GRMS Facebook Page

# Student Support Services

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## Services Offered:

- Newcomers' Groups
- Social Skills Development Groups
- Crisis Intervention Team
- Tutoring Club
- Peer-To-Peer Program
- Student Counseling

# School Security



- Limited Public Access to Building
- Full-Time Security Guard
- Shared School Resource Officer
- Ongoing Collaboration with Law Enforcement
- Continuous Refinement of Security Procedures



# Student Clubs and Academic Programs



- Bowling Club
- Student Council
- "I Make a Difference" Club
- Superintendent's Advisory Council
- Military Support Group
- Book Club
- Spelling Bee
- Innovator's Club
- Game Club
- Intramural Basketball
- Anime Club
- School Musical

# Building a Safe, Nurturing School Climate



- Ongoing Character Education
- School Assemblies
- Classroom Presentations on bullying, internet safety, and harassment
- Building-wide student support systems
- Dignity for all Students Act

# Office Staff

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- Mrs. Brown, Building Secretary
- Mrs. Spring, Guidance Secretary
- Mrs. Fratianni, Office Secretary
- Mrs. Davern, Receptionist



# School Hours

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- School Day: 8:00 am-2:40 pm
- Afterschool Activities: 3 pm-4:10 pm
- Late busses: 4:10 pm, Monday-Thursday
- ½ Day Dismissal: 11:15
- Homework Cart: Front Door until 6 pm

# The Next Steps

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- ◉ Please contact us with special concerns regarding placement
- ◉ Placements mailed late August
- ◉ Student tours in August (TBD)
- ◉ Supplies list posted on website
- ◉ Call us with questions 315-218-3000

GILLETTE ROAD MIDDLE SCHOOL

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*Parent-Teacher Group*



- Gillette Road Middle School has an active and committed Parent Teacher Group (PTG)
- The group meets the second Thursday of each month
- The group is currently receiving nominations for all of its officer position for the 2020-2021 school year
- For more information, please contact our parent group at [gilletterdptg@gmail.com](mailto:gilletterdptg@gmail.com)

# Summer Tours & Welcome

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- A plan for to welcome our incoming fifth graders and their parents will be developed and shared in the weeks ahead
- Our fourth and fifth grade counselors are planning our “Peer-to-peer” orientation for students. Fourth grade students will experience this program virtually, during the first week of June in their current Google classroom

As this orientation event for parents usually occurs with the opportunity for parents to interact with us as this presentation is made at our school building, with tours that follow, we know that parents may have questions.

Please send your questions to:

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