

BURRILLVILLE MIDDLE SCHOOL

NEW STUDENT/PARENT FAQ'S

GENERAL INFORMATION

- **What are the school hours?** 7:40 AM – 2:07 PM
- **Where can parents find important papers that have been sent home?** On the BMS website under Parent Information.
- **Who do I contact with 504 questions?** Contact a guidance counselor (listed below).
- **How do the lockers work at BMS?** Each student is assigned a locker and a combination-lock at the beginning of the school year. Students must use BMS locks.
- **What is the name and number of the school bus company?** Dattco (401) 371-2774
- **What sports are offered at BMS?**
 - Fall: Boys Soccer, Girls Soccer, Boys/Girls Cross Country
 - Winter: Boys/Girls Wrestling, Boys Basketball, Girls Basketball
 - Spring: Baseball, Softball, Girls Lacrosse Club
- **Can I visit the building or take a tour?** Yes, contact Raechel Robidoux robidouxr@bsd-ri.net to set up a tour.
- **Are cell phones allowed?** Only in common areas (before school/cafe/tertia/halls).
- **How does my child get a Gmail account?** Accounts will be set-up after enrollment.
- **How do parents and students get a Skyward account?** Accounts will be set-up after enrollment.

LUNCH

- **Do I need to fill out the lunch form if I know my family won't qualify?** Yes, we ask that every family fill out the form.
- **Should I send my child to school with cash or a check for lunch?** You can do either, or you can deposit money into their lunch account online as well.
- **If I write a check for the lunch program, who should I make it out to?** Burrillville Youth Nutrition Services.
- **How does my child use their lunch account?** When purchasing lunch, they punch their number into the keypad. It's automatic deduction from their account.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- **Does my child need to change for physical education?** Students are required to bring a change of clothes suitable for the day's activities and dress for each PE class.
- **If a student is able to return to fitness after an injury, who should they give the note to?** The school nurse, who will then notify the fitness teachers.

CLASSES

- **What is the difference between English and Literacy?** English is a traditional ELA class, where Literacy is a support class for students who need extra help in reading and writing.
- **What is CCE (Cross Curricular Extension)?** This class (7th & 8th grade) is designed to expose students to deeper exploration of content areas. Students will rotate through the 4 course offerings each quarter. .

- **What is FSSE?** (Foundational Skills in Secondary English)? This course will provide grade 6 students with the skills necessary for success in Middle School and beyond
- **What math classes are offered?** General math (6,7,8), honors math (6) pre-algebra (grade 7), algebra (grade 8)
- **What is numeracy?** Why does my child have to take it? Should he/she take it? Numeracy is a remedial math class. Students are individually recommended for the class so, yes, it's highly recommended.
- **How does a student get into honors math, pre-algebra or algebra?** They are recommended for the class by their prior year's math teacher.
- **What exploratory classes are offered at BMS?** Art, Band, Chorus, Music Appreciation, Science Explorations, Technology Education, Construction, Project Lead the Way, Digital Media, Mind-Body-Spirit & Spanish.
- **Can my child join chorus?** Yes, contact their guidance counselor (listed below) with the request.
- **Can my child join band?** Yes, contact their guidance counselor (listed below) with the request.
- **Do you need to know how to play an instrument to join band?** No, they don't need to play to join. Contact the band director, Garrett Campbell: campbellg@bsd-ri.net with questions about playing.

QUESTIONS?

- **Who can I contact if I have any more questions?** Raechel Robidoux, Assistant Principal robidouxr@bsd-ri.net

DOCUMENTS:

- [Daily Announcements](#)
- [Daily schedule](#)
- School Lunch Forms (*will be posted shortly*)
- [Student Dress Code](#)
- [Summer Reading](#)
- [School Supply List](#)
- [Parent/Student Handbook](#)
- [Program of Studies](#)
- [Curriculum of classes](#)

CONTACT INFORMATION

- Principal: Kathryn Lord, lordk@bsd-ri.net
- Asst. Principal: Raechel Robidoux, robidouxr@bsd-ri.net
- Guidance Counselor: Pam Connors connorsp@bsd-ri.net (teams 6Smith, 7 Mowry & 8 Mowry)
- Guidance Counselor: Robert DeLellis delellisr@bsd-ri.net (teams 6 Nipmuc, 7 Greene & 8 Burrill)
- School Psychologist: Alyson Doumato, doumatoa@bsd-ri.net
- School Social Worker: Danielle Anderson, andersond@bsd-ri.net
- School Nurse: Jennifer Poisson, poissonj@bsd-ri.net
- Student Assistance Counselor: Mrs. Krystal Alves-Amoroso, amorosok@bsd-ri.net
- Speech & Language Pathologist: Michelle Stanley, stanleym@bsd-ri.net