

WELCOME TO Delta POD

6th Grade Orientation 2024-2025

DEAR DELTA FAMILIES,

We look forward to working with you and encourage your support in making your child's first year at Bemidji Middle School a success! Here are a couple of helpful tips

for this school year.

HELPFUL TIPS:

• Pod Supplies

- 2 boxes of tissues
- Pencils
- Colored Pencils
- Glue Stick Pack
- Highlighter
- Ream of Paper (optional)

• Remind

- Daily assignments and all Delta Announcements will be posted on remindme - **text 81010** ☺

• Google Classroom

- Login: First_Last@isd31.net
- Password: 31 FL _ _ _ (lunch pin)

CONTACT INFORMATION

Delta teachers: email first_last@isd31.net OR 333-3215 (voicemail)

Gretchen_Zilka (Language Arts) Ext. 51029

Jeffrey_Brown (Social Studies) Ext. 51031

Sarah_Lutz (Special Education) Ext. 51026

Madeline_Meiers (Science) Ext. 51030

Abe_Schwartz (Math) Ext. 51032

Email is the best method to contact Delta teachers.

Delta Schedule

HOUR	CLASS	TIME
1st	CORE	8:35-9:35
2nd	ALLIED ARTS	9:39-10:39
LUNCH	LUNCH	10:42-11:07
3rd	CORE	11:09-12:09
4th	CORE	12:13-1:13
5th	ALLIED ARTS	1:17-2:17
6th	CORE	2:20-3:20

• Accelerated Reader

- All students enrolled in reading class will have quarterly AR Goals

• Daily Reading

- One of the best things you can do for your child is to encourage this habit. An easy way to accomplish this is to enforce the rule that electronics/tv can only be used after 20-30 minutes of reading. The more they read, the better readers they will become.

• PPR = Positive Peer Relations

- Weekly Social Emotional Lessons

Curriculum Overview + Supply List

Math

- Number and Operations
- Algebra Concepts
- Geometry and Measurement
- Data Analysis and Probability

Students will have access to Bigideas.com.

This will provide access to a digital textbook..

Supply List

- Yellow Folder
- Wide Ruled Composition Notebook
- Wide Ruled Paper
- Dry Erase Markers (Black)

Science

- Earth and Space Science
- Earth's Systems
- Earth's Geologic Processes
- Earth - Sun - Moon Systems
- Weather Systems
- Climate

Supply List

- Green Folder
- 1" or 2" Binder
- Optional: \$10 lab donation (used for ice, batteries, craft sticks, sugar, etc. used in experiments)

Social Studies

- Minnesota History
- Minnesota's physical features and location of resource
- Minnesota's government & economic systems
- Historical inquiry and events, issues and individuals significant to Minnesota history beginning with the early indigenous people of the upper Mississippi River region
- The unique role Minnesota played, and continues to play, in regional, national, and global politics

Supply List

- Red Folder
- Notebook

Language Arts

- Writing
- Spelling, Grammar, Usage, Comprehension, and Vocabulary Expansion
- Speaking, Listening, Viewing

Supply List

- Blue Folder
- 100 Page Composition Notebook

Reading: Taught by pod teachers - only materials needed=AR Book

TIPS FOR SUCCESS

ASSIGNMENTS

Use of a blue assignment sheet is required. Delta teachers record the daily assignments on the board every day. Students are given time to copy each assignment. Completed assignment sheets are turned in every other Monday and new copies are handed out.

Sign up for Remindme: 81010 text @ You will receive a daily text of assignments as well as any special pod announcements/reminders.

Helpful Ideas

- Schedule a daily work time with your child.
- Arrange a quiet homework area without music, phone, or T.V.
- Help your child organize what needs to be done.
- Check over blue assignment sheet

MONITORING YOUR CHILD'S PROGRESS

Parental monitoring is key to each child's success. Consulting Family Access or contacting the teachers will help your child have a successful year. Family Access can be viewed at <http://www.bemidji.k12.mn.us>. To register, click on the Skyward Family Access button.



Email/Voicemail: call 333-3215 and dial the following extensions:

- Mr. Schwartz ext. 51032, Abe_Schwartz@isd31.net (Math)
- Ms. Lutz ext. 51026, Sarah_Lutz@isd31.net (Special Education)
- Ms. Meiers ext. 51030, Madeline_Meiers@isd31.net (Science)
- Mr. Brown ext. 51031, Jeffrey_Brown@isd31.net (Social Studies)
- Ms. Zilka ext. 51029, Gretchen_Zilka@isd31.net (Language Arts)

*Email is the best method of communication.

- Please be sure to keep your email address up-to-date on Skyward. Delta Pod teachers often send out group emails to Delta parents.
- Mid term reports will be posted to Family Access and only mailed home upon request.

Student Information Sheet

delta pod

Please complete this sheet only if there are special concerns you would like the Delta teachers to be aware of.

STUDENT NAME	_____	_____		
	first	last		
AGE	_____	BIRTHDATE	_____ / _____ / _____	
		month	day	year
SCHOOL ATTENDED LAST YEAR	_____			

Delta families, please list or explain anything concerning your child that you would like us to be aware of. You may also contact us to discuss any issues.

DELTA SCIENCE

donation



DEAR DELTA FAMILIES,

Delta science students will be involved in many labs and hands-on activities throughout the school year investigating our Earth and Universe. I am asking all families who are able to contribute a \$10 lab donation. The donation is voluntary. Some examples of what the money will be used for are consumable items such as ice, food coloring, craft sticks, batteries, sugar, salt, cooking oil, etc.

Checks may be made payable to BMS.

Thank you for your support of our science program! I look forward to a great year with your child.

Sincerely,

Madeline Meiers



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