Grimmer Middle School

August Newsletter

Welcome Back!



Meet the Grimmer Office Secretaries

Left to Right: Debbie Boyer, Meryl Larson, Becky Hupp, Annie Strubing

• These are the ladies who you will talk to whenever you have questions or need help navigating Grimmer. They are wonderful people who will take care of you!

Check Out Grimmer's Website

Important Dates for August and Back to School

July 31-August 3rd - Online Registration

You should have received an email with instructions

August 10 - Open Building from 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM

- This is a great day to find your locker and drop off supplies
- Our halls are open for you to map out your routes to classes
- Principals will be here to answer any questions

August 15 - First Day of School!

- Grimmer open its doors at 8:15 AM each morning
- First Period begins at 8:47 AM
- Our Day ends at 3:40 PM

August 18 - Picture Day

Event Code is <u>79159RF</u>

August 24 - Grimmer Open House

o 5:30 - 7:30 PM

About the Morning Drop Off Line

- We share a building with Watson Elementary. They begin their day right around 8:00 AM. The first day of school is always a big deal, but especially at the elementary level with kindergarten. The drop off line will be crowded and it will move slower than usual on day one. Grimmer does not open its doors until 8:15 and we do not start class until 8:47. If you are able to arrive closer to 8:30 on August 15 then you may have an easier experience in the drop off line.
- Only Staff, Preschool Families, and Approved School Activities are allowed into the
 parking lot in the mornings. All other parents dropping off their children will use the
 drop off line which wraps around the back of Grimmer and Watson. Staff members and
 police will be out directing traffic. This includes Tuesdays and Thursdays when we offer
 tutoring in the morning.

Athletic Announcements

- Football begins August 9 Wednesday from 3:40-5:55 at Clark.
 - Football is open to 7th and 8th grade students
- Girls Volleyball will have tryouts August 16 18
 - Volleyball is open to 7th and 8th grade
- Boys and Girls Cross Country will have call out meeting when we return to school
 - Cross Country is open to 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students
 - First Practice is August 21.
- All Student Athletes need to have an IHSAA physical done after April 1,
 2023 and have their parent/guardian register them in <u>Final Forms</u> to be eligible to compete.
- Students will come home with student agendas on the first day of school.
 On pages 3 & 4, you will find all information regarding athletics

Attention 7th Grade Families!

Do you want to be in NJHS during your 8th grade year?

NJHS Criteria:

- 2 School Activities (such as school sponsored sports or clubs)
- 2 Out of School Activities (such a club swimming and piano)
- o 3.3 Cumulative Grade Point Average
 - Find all NJHS information on page 6 in your student agenda

*We want you to have this information now so you can plan accordingly

Planning out the Year at Grimmer

Grimmer School Wide Events

- Open Building August 10: 10:00 6:00 PM
- First Teacher Day August 14
 - Teacher Meeting: 8:15 9:30 AM (in the Library)
- Picture Day: August 18
- Open House August 24: 5:30 7:30 PM
- Pep Assembly September 20: 2:15 PM
- PSAT October 11 (8th Grade)
- Halloween Dance October 20: 6-8 PM
- Veterans Day Ceremony November 10: 9:00 AM
- Book Fair November 6-10
- First Semester Reward Trip December 14
- Winter Dance February 9 6-8 PM
- Straight A Breakfast February 9 8:45 AM
- End of Year Celebration May 24

*ILEARN window is roughly April 15 - May 10 (this is an estimate)

Early Release Days

- September 12
- October 10
- November 14
- February 13
- March 12
- April 9
- May 14

Grimmer Reward Field Trip

This year, Grimmer is sponsoring a reward field trip for students who meet the following criteria:

- No Grade lower than a C- on their quarterly report cards
 - We will run a 2nd quarter grade check on December 8 at the end of the day
- A 90% attendance rate
- No disciplinary infractions greater than a detention
 - No more than 2 detentions for the semester

Our goal is to provide a fun incentive for students to work towards. We want to prepare students for real world working experiences, and many careers offer incentives. This trip is an extra incentive. There is no academic negative impact for not qualifying for this incentive. We understand there are doctor appointments and other things that come up.

| Early Release Day Schedule (No Advisory) | | |
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| 5th Grade | 8:47AM - 9:50AM | ELA or Math Block 1 |
| | 9:55AM - 10:56AM | ELA or Math Block 2 |
| | 11:01AM - 11:29AM | Period 6 |
| | 11:34AM - 12:02PM | Lunch |
| | 12:07PM - 12:35PM | Period 7 |
| | 12:40PM - 1:10PM | Period 8 |
| 6/7/8th Grade | | |
| | 8:47AM - 9:17AM | Period 2 |
| | 9:22AM - 9:50AM | Period 3 |
| Grade 6 | 9:55AM - 10:23AM | Lunch 6A |
| | 10:28AM - 10:56AM | Period 4 |
| | 11:01AM - 11:29AM | Period 5 |
| Grade 7 | 9:55AM - 10:23AM | Period 4 |
| | 10:28AM - 10:56AM | Lunch 7B |
| | 11:01AM - 11:29AM | Period 5 |
| Grade 8 | 9:55AM - 10:23AM | Period 4 |
| | 10:28AM - 10:56AM | Period 5 |
| | 11:01AM - 11:29AM | Lunch 8C |
| | 11:34AM - 12:02PM | Period 6 |
| | 12:07PM - 12:35PM | Period 7 |
| | 12:40PM - 1:10PM | Period 8 |
| Early Release Dates: | | |
| September 12th | February 13th | May 14th |
| October 10th | March 12th | No Early Release Days in |
| November 14th | April 9th | August, December or January |
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