

# EXCEPTIONAL HEIGHTS

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## WELCOME

The "Exceptional" 8th grade team is very happy to welcome you to 8th grade! All of the hard work and dedication you have put into your children have helped them get to this point. We are very proud to have your child in our classes and know that they will do well .

While in the 8th grade, your student is expected to maintain strong grades and outstanding character. Their success in 8th grade will depend on hard work, effort, and dedication. They will be expected to complete homework each night , read a variety of materials, and learn more about the world around them. As their teachers, we look forward their future as we help prepare them for high school and beyond.



## TECHNOLOGY

Technology is an integral part of learning at W.A. Perry. Students will use Microsoft Office and various other resources throughout the year to help strengthen skills and foster mastery.

A few of the programs that students will use in various classes are ALEKS, USA Testprep, STAR, Mastery Connect, and No Red Ink. These programs can be accessed outside of the classroom. Students who work with these programs extensively are guaranteed to experience overall academic growth.




## 8.5 ACADEMY

The transition to high school is a vulnerable time. As students navigate a heavier workload and greater independence, they struggle to make the small decisions needed to stay on track, and to know when and how to ask for help.

For many, it is a defining moment in establishing an academic identity. W.A. Perry's 8.5 Academy will share information as well as present speakers that will help make 8th graders accountable for their own growth and success as they prepare for high school.



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## TEACHER'S CORNER

The "Exceptional" eighth grade team is led by a phenomenal group of educators who desire to share a wealth of knowledge with your children. The 8th grade team consists of the following faculty members:

**8th Grade Administrator:**

Mr. Scott Sayers

**8th Grade Guidance Counselor:**

Mr. William Jarman

**English/Language Arts:**

Mrs. Vicki Vanderhorst

Ms. Jennifer McGill

**Math:**

Ms. Chynna Wilson

Mr. Kevin Fletcher

Ms. Lawanda Champaign

**Science:**

Ms. Ginger Spencer

Mrs. Novena Peddalagalla

**Social Studies:**

Mrs. Antoinette Gibson

**Special Education:**

Mr. John Gantela

Mrs. Susmitha Bonakurthy

Ms. Sheonne Carter

Dr. Delia Boca

Please check with your child's teacher regarding tutoring hours and strategies to help assist your child in the classroom.



## VIRTUAL SCHEDULE

### Virtual Schedule

**14th Block Algebra I & Social Studies** \*Notated on affected students' schedules



Office Hours 8:10-8:40

2nd Block 8:45-9:25

Transition 9:28-9:43

3rd Block 9:46-10:26

Transition 10:29-10:44

4th Block 10:47-11:27

Lunch 11:30-12:05

6th/7th/9th Block 12:08-12:48

Transition 12:51-1:06

11th Block 1:09-1:49

Transition 1:52-2:07

12th Block 2:10-2:50

Transition Virtual School 2:53-3:02

13th Block Virtual School 3:05-3:45

Office Hours 3:05-3:45



## TIME MANAGEMENT

-Track assignments on the monthly calendar in the Agenda books. Then check off each item as it is completed.

-Work backward from the due date of larger assignments and break them into nightly tasks.



-Help your child record how much time he/she spends on homework each week

to figure out how to divide the time into manageable chunks.

-Designate a time for homework, and help your child stick to the schedule.