

Dear Parents and Students:

The start of a new school year is upon us. We look forward to seeing all of our students and to get the new school year started.

Our custodial crew, guidance staff, and secretaries have worked hard this summer to make sure our building is ready for the new year. The first day of school for all students is **Thursday, September 5, 2019**, an "A" day.

Student schedules will be available on the SchoolTool Parent Portal on Monday, August 19th.

Arlington is no longer mailing home schedules and summer packets for middle school students. If you have signed up but are having trouble accessing the Portal, please contact the help desk at <u>parentportal@acsdny.org</u>. If you have not yet signed up for the Portal, you must sign up in person at your child's school. For registration forms and information, visit the Arlington website at <u>www.arlingtonschools.org</u>.

SCHEDULES - Scheduling questions and/or concerns are to be directed to your child's Guidance Counselor at 223-8612. Please note: Team, teacher, and lunch period change requests will not be considered.

	Guidance Counselors	
Grade 6 – Mr. Gaetani	Grade 7 – Ms. Hertzog	Grade 8 - Ms. Pugliese

Walk-through dates – UVMS will be open for 6th grade students and students new to the building as well as their parents to walk-through during the following dates and times: 8/22 (10 am - 1 pm) and 8/27 (11 am - 1 pm and 4 pm - 6 pm).
Please note: Due to construction in our parking lot, our walk-through date(s) are subject to rescheduling if necessary.

Returning 7th and 8th grade students should NOT come to the school for walk-throughs. They have had enough time in the building to be familiar with the layout and we wish to allow new students to the building to have more attention from our student guides and staff available.

UVMS lockers do not have built-in locks. Combination locks may be purchased during this time in the main office; the cost is \$4.00 each or a set of two with the same combination is \$8.00. While here, we ask that parents strongly consider joining our PTA and SEPTA. These two organizations do outstanding work in supporting our students, your children.

7th GRADE PHYSICAL – NYS requires a physical examination for all students entering 7th grade. In addition, 7th graders must have the meningococcal vaccine that is required for entry. If you need an additional form, please stop by the Health Office or you may print one from the district website.

Open House: Thursday, September 19, 2019 - Parents and Guardians may attend either the afternoon session or the evening session. The afternoon session will begin promptly at 12:00 p.m. and end at 2:01 p.m. The evening session will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. and end at 9:01 p.m. Parents/Guardians will follow their child's "A" day schedule through class periods 1 to 9. Each period will meet for approximately eight (8) minutes. All students will be dismissed at 10 a.m. that day.

Supply Lists--Supply lists are posted on the UVMS webpage under the "Parents" menu.

I look forward to an enjoyable **2019-2020** school year for all members of the Union Vale Middle School community, especially your children. Enjoy the rest of your summer.

Sincerely, Scott Wood Principal

The Arlington Central School District mission is to empower all students to be self-directed, lifelong learners, who willingly contribute to their community, and lead passionate, purposeful lives.