

WELCOME TO UNION VALE MIDDLE SCHOOL



The Home of the Rays

Welcome

Arlington High School
Class of 2026

WE ARE HERE TO HELP

Mr. Scott Wood

Principal



Mr. Paul Hackett

Associate Principal

Mrs. Lisa Roloson

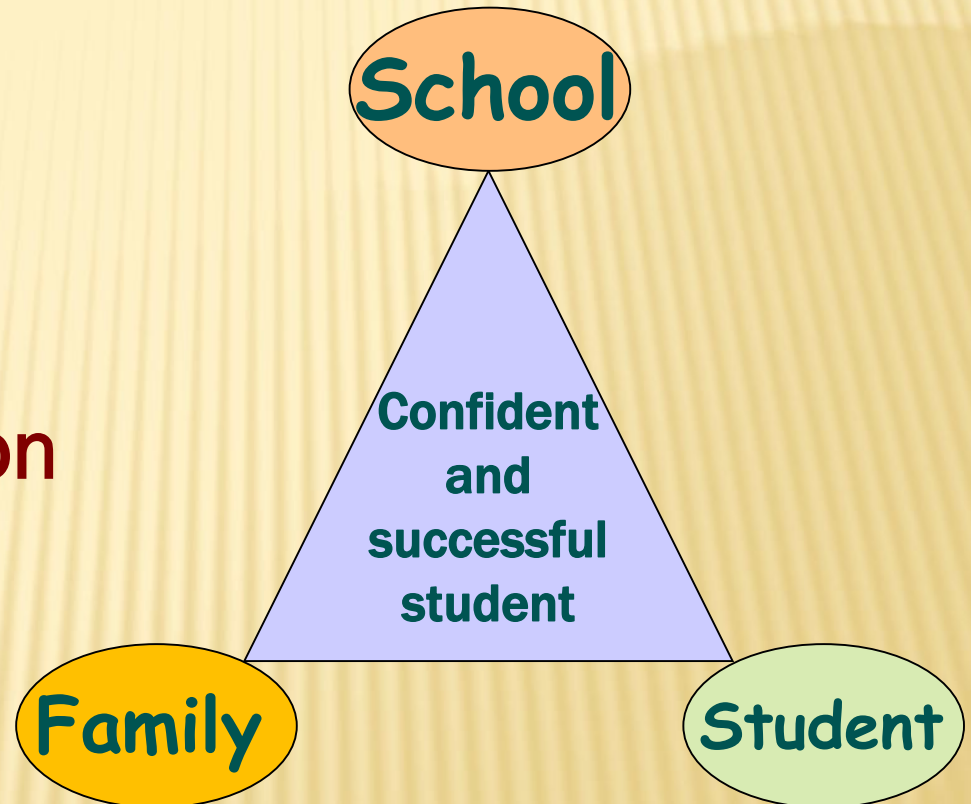
Assistant Principal

A CRUCIAL AGE

- ❖ The Whole Student and developmental stages
- ❖ Time of Transition
- ❖ Exploratory Courses

Parents

- ✖ Partners in Education
- ✖ Be Engaged
- ✖ The Team Approach
- ✖ Please Join our PTA
 - + Tremendous support to our school programs & our students



WHAT CAN PARENTS DO?

- ✘ **Make sure your child is in school and on time.**
- ✘ **Be involved! Ask questions! Stay connected!**
 - + **Kids often begin to pull away during middle school.**
 - + **This is when they need you the most, just in a different way. Mistakes are ok!!**
- ✘ **Check your child's planner every night or Google Classroom and teacher/team pages**
- ✘ **When in doubt, contact the teacher**

COMMON QUESTIONS FROM 5TH GRADERS

- What if we're late?
- What if I forget my locker combination?
- What if I get lost?
- What if I can't find my locker?
- Do we need cell phones?
- Is there enough food in the cafeteria
 -for me?
- Is there a lot of homework?
- What if I don't do my homework?
- What if I get detention?
- Does the work get harder?

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

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ACADEMIC PROGRAM

- ❖ **Academic Core Courses -
Grade 6 Teamed Teachers**
- ❖ **English—Double Block**
- ❖ **Social Studies**
- ❖ **Mathematics**
- ❖ **Science**
- ❖ **Special Education**

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

- ❖ **Physical Education – All days, all year**
- ❖ **Home and Career Skills – 1 semester in 6th Grade**
- ❖ **Art - 1 semester in 6th Grade**

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- ❖ **Music – Full year, every day or Alt days**
- ❖ **Computers – Full year, Alt days**
- ❖ **Individual programs as needed**

ACADEMIC PROGRAM

- ❖ **Academic Interventions—
Part of Master Schedule**
- ❖ **Math and Learning Lab**
- ❖ **Lunch/recess, all years**

MIDDLE SCHOOL HAS CHANGED

THIS IS NOT A FORM OF ABUSE



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SUPPORTS

❖ Counseling

- ❖ 6th Grade Guidance Counselor – Mr. Frank Gaetani
- ❖ Psychologist – Ms. Rosanne Strouth
- ❖ Social Worker – Ms. Alison Evans

❖ Librarian—Mrs. Sprague-Hicks

- ❖ Students can/will use the library during study hall, lunch, after-school and with many teachers in various subjects

❖ Nurses

- ❖ Mrs. Martyn and Ms. Shao

HOW WE COMMUNICATE WITH YOU

- ❖ **Web Pages**
- ❖ **5 week postings**
- ❖ **Paperless Initiative**
- ❖ **SchoolTool/Parent Portal**
- ❖ **SchoolMessenger-Emails and Attachments**
- ❖ **Meetings, Team and Individual Teachers**
- ❖ **Phone Calls**

SAFETY

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SCHOOL SAFETY

✘ Prevention and Response

+ Drills, SRO, Grace Smith House, Arlington Resources

✘ We are here to help

TRANSPORTATION

✘ Bus rules

✘ Late Bus Plan

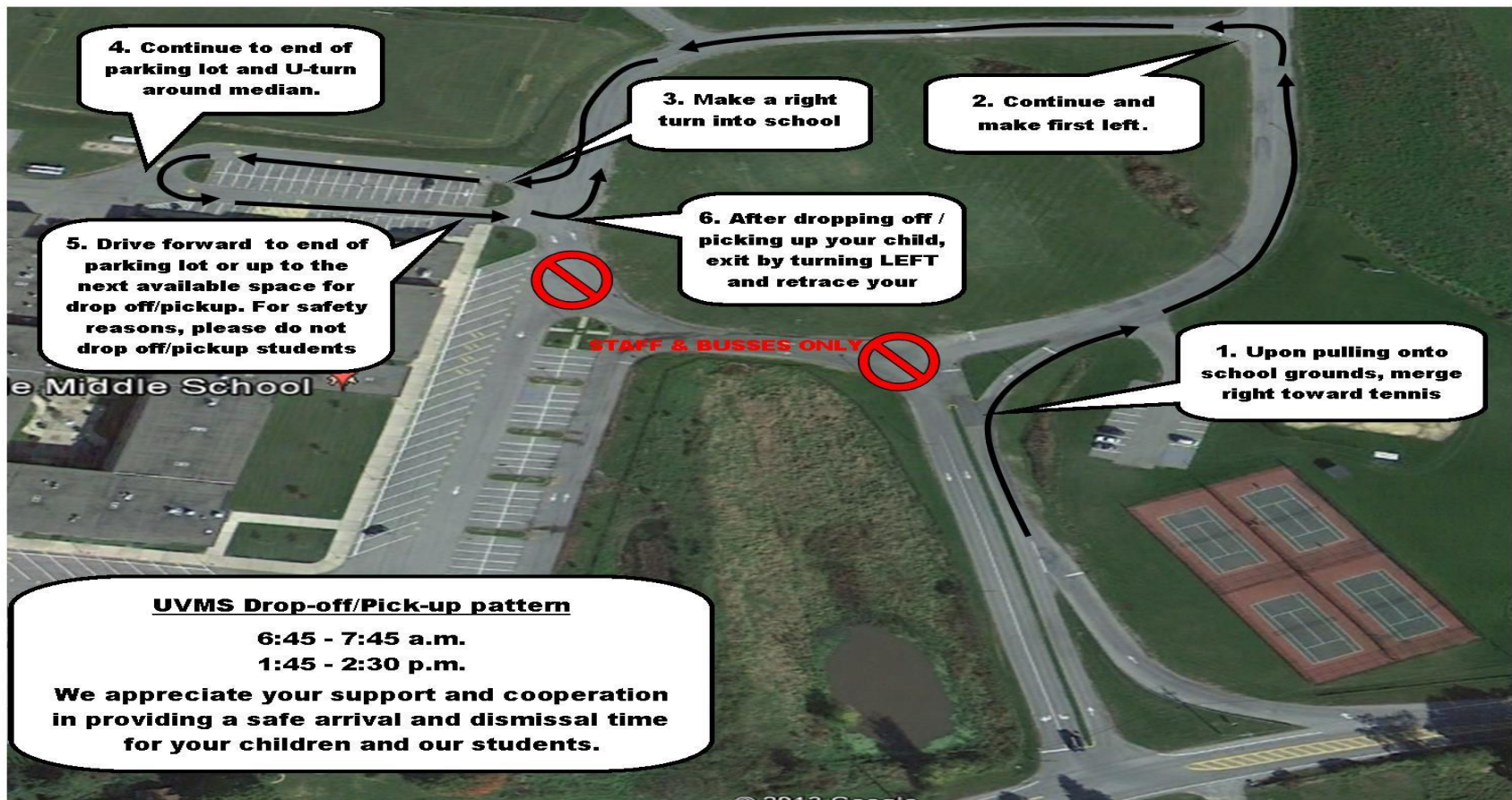
✘ Days available

✘ Use the bus



TRAFFIC

- ✘ We *highly* encourage use of District busses
- ✘ Traffic *will* make your child late



NEW TO THE SCHOOL

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AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

- ❖ Be here, be involved
- ❖ School clubs
- ❖ Intramurals
- ❖ Interscholastic sports for grades 7 and 8
- ❖ Brochures brought to 5th grade classes

STUDENT PLANNER AND LOCKERS

❖ Supplies

❖ Student Planner

❖ Lockers

- ❖ No Key Locks in Hallways or for PE
- ❖ 1st Day of School Procedure, including “early” dismissal for 6th Grade

STUDENT VISITS

- ❖ **Students visited, met with us and toured the building**
 - ❖ **May 21st – Beekman**
 - ❖ **May 30th – Noxon Road**
 - ❖ **June 5th – Titusville**
 - ❖ **June 6th – Vail Farm**

TENTATIVE WALK-THROUGH DATES

✘ August 22

+10 am – 1 pm

✘ August 27

+11 am – 1 pm

+4 pm – 6 pm

THANK YOU!

Please Arrive Home Safely
