

# LOOKING FORWARD TO AN EXCITING YEAR AT HMS



# HMS COMMUNITY...



# PROJECTED FALL ENROLLMENT

- **Grade Six**      **230**
- **Grade Seven**      **250**
- **Grade Eight**      **250**
- **Total**      **730**





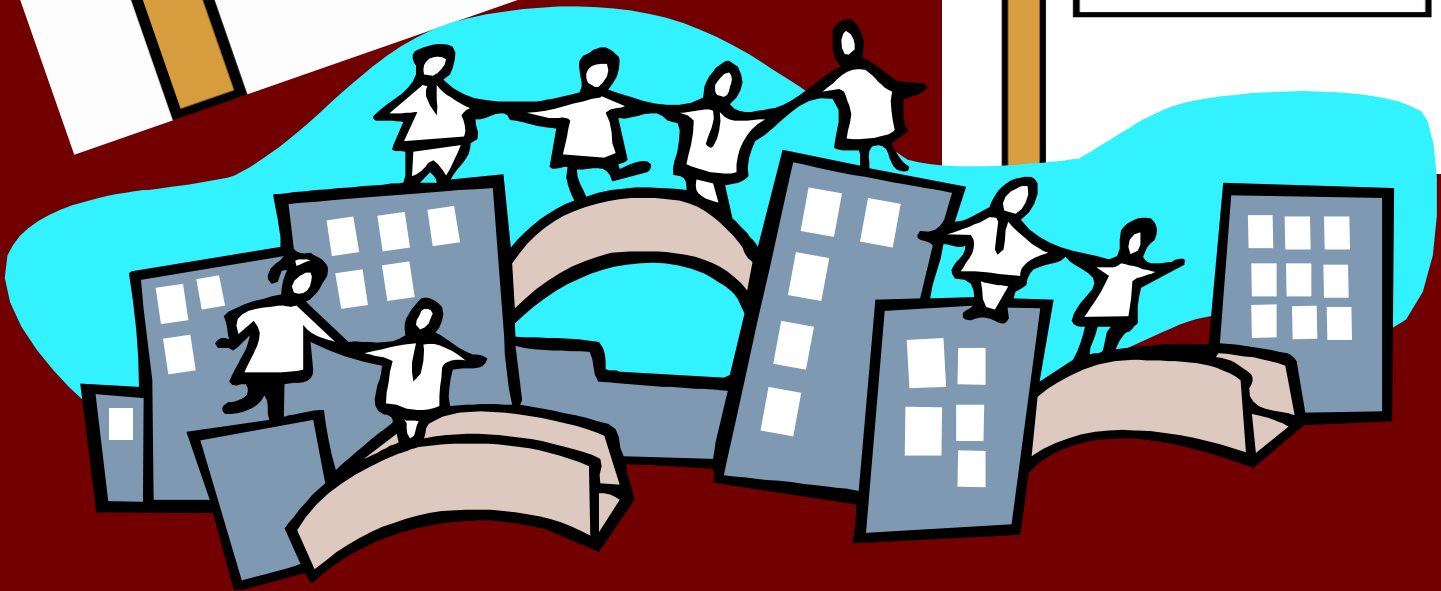
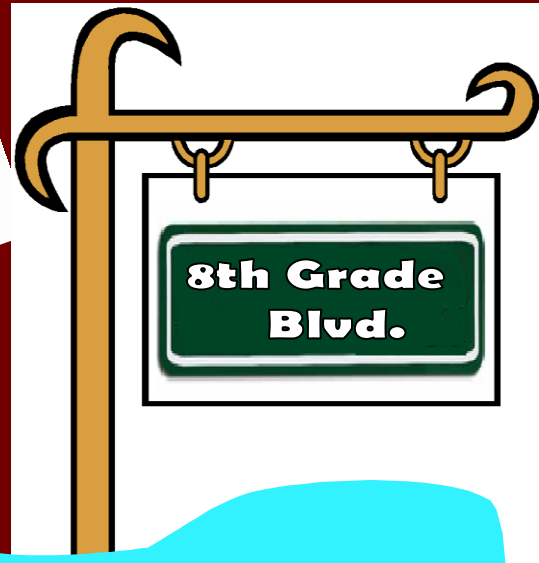
# HMS COMMUNITY STAFFING

Administration	2
Counselors	3
Nurse	1
Educators	43
Secretaries	3
Paraprofessionals/Tutors	10
Resource Officer	1
Custodians	6





# GRADE LEVEL NEIGHBORHOODS And Smaller Learning Communities



# Neighborhoods & SLC's



- CLASSROOM SPACES
  - Classrooms are grouped in one main area.
- Core Classes are clustered for students and teachers.

# 6<sup>th</sup> grade Core Teachers

- English Mrs. Bishop
- Math Mrs. Mooney
- Science Mrs. Howard
- Soc.Studies – Mrs. Doran
- English Mrs. Lieberg
- Math Mrs. Bivens
- Science Mrs. Burke
- Soc.Studies Ms. Osborne



# Other 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers

- Mr. Hogan - PE
- Mr. Murgel - PE
- Mrs. Goebel - PE
- Mr. Kepler – Art
- Mr. Rieter, Ms. Kecskes, Ms. Kale Music
- Mrs. Erickson - Computer Applications
- Ms. Curtis - Math and Resource

# 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CLASSES

- **Science** (daily)
- **Social Studies** (daily)
- **Math** (daily)
- **English** (daily)
- **Advisor** (daily)
  
- **Physical Education** (A or B)
- **Music** (A or B)
- **Computers** semester
- **Art** semester



# ADVISOR/ BOB TIME



- Building Connections—home base
- BOB Time—one day per week
- Grade-level neighborhood time for
  - Advisory/ Team Building Activities
  - Work Completion

# **BOB Lessons and Counselor Instruction**

**On Monday or Tuesday during  
advisor time, we teach lessons for  
navigating HMS.**

**These lessons center around our  
universals, which are...**

# BEING OUR BEST AT HMS

EXPECTATIONS FOR THE HELENA MIDDLE SCHOOL COMMUNITY



**BE SAFE**



**BE RESPONSIBLE**



**BE RESPECTFUL**



**BE A LEARNER**



# DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION

<https://helenaschools.org/departments/transportation/parent-portal/>

## BUS REGISTRATIONS / PARENT PORTAL

### BUS REGISTRATION ALERTS:

**Bus registration for the 2025-2026 school year will open on Friday, May 23 at 5 pm. Registrations submitted before this time will not be considered.**

Late bus registrations submitted after our deadline dates (August 8th for 1-12 grade and August 13th for Kindergarten and new to the district students) needs to allow **4-6 business days to process**. If a student is in need of transportation before we can process your registration please visit the [Bus Stop Information](#) to find an eligible stop. Once you find an eligible stop contact your student's school for a temporary one-day bus pass until we can process their registration.

#### **Important Edulog Parent Portal Information:**

Please note registrations in our Parent Portal App is a **two-step process**. The first-step is to be granted approval for your students information. The second-step is to submit a registration thru the request tab in the lower right corner.

If your child lives in two residences, each residence will need a registration form submitted. Please follow-up with a message in your registration stating your student has two residences. You can also email [transportation@helenaschools.org](mailto:transportation@helenaschools.org) to inform us about the two-residence registration. If you have a change of address, please contact your child's school first so they can get the change into PowerSchool before registering for the fall. We will not be able to process your registration until PowerSchool has been updated with the new address.

Bus Loading and Unloading in Front of School.

Departure 3:00

Breakfast kiosk in main entrance.

# P.T.S.O.

Parent-Teacher-Student Organization



[helenamiddleschoolptso@gmail.com](mailto:helenamiddleschoolptso@gmail.com)

# Schedule Information

- **School starts at 8:05 A.M.**  
**and ends at 2:50 P.M. (Monday's**  
**end at 2:05 P.M.)**
- **A days M & W – alternating Fridays**
- **B days T & Th**
- **When are schedules ready?**
- **What do schedules look like?**

# Helena Middle School Student Schedule

**Student Name: Susan X. Ample**

**Student Number: 00000**

**Grade: 6**

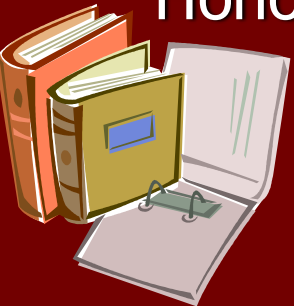
**Locker: 0025**

<b>Period/ Day</b>	<b>Term</b>	<b>Course Title</b>	<b>Teacher</b>
<b>P1(A)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Band 6</b>	<b>Mr. Reiter</b>
<b>P1(B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Physical Wellness 6</b>	<b>Mrs. Goebel</b>
<b>P2(A-B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Science 6</b>	<b>Mrs. Burke</b>
<b>P3(A-B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Math 6</b>	<b>Mrs. Bivens</b>
<b>P4(A-B)</b>	<b>SEM 1</b>	<b>Art 6</b>	<b>Mr. Kepler</b>
<b>P4(A-B)</b>	<b>SEM 2</b>	<b>Computers/Health</b>	<b>Mrs. Erickson</b>
<b>P5(A-B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>English 6</b>	<b>Mrs. Bishop</b>
<b>P6(A-B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Social Studies 6</b>	<b>Ms. Osbourne</b>
<b>P7(A-B)</b>	<b>26-27</b>	<b>Advisor 6</b>	<b>Mrs. Burke</b>

# Assistance and Support



- Reading Intervention
- Collaboration Math for Intervention
- Study Skills (IEFA and Spec. Ed.)
- Advisor
- Academic Assistance Program
- Advanced Math Option
- 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math options (Math 8, Algebra I, Honors Math I)



# MIDDLE SCHOOL ACTIVITIES



## ■ Intramurals

- Cross Country
- Basketball
- Volleyball
- Wrestling
- Running Club
- Track



# STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS

- Science Olympiad
- Math Counts
- Student Library Advisory
- Student Council
- Neighborhood Outreach
- WEB Leaders
- Industrial Tech Club
- Jazz Band
- Creative Writing Club
- Art Club



CLUB	ADVISOR/Student Leader	MEETING DATE	TIME	ROOM
Art Club (8th Grade Only)	Smith	Quarter 2 & 3 Only	Lunch/Recess	216
Aviation Club	Friez	Tuesdays	Advisor	Library
BookWorms	Fuhrman/Franzen	Fridays	Lunch	228
Cheer Club	Hall	Thursdays (December)		Weight Rm
Chess Club(6th)	Friez	Thursdays	Lunch	Library
Chess Club(7th/8th)	Sebastian	Thursdays	Lunch/recess	128
Coloring Club (7th/8th)	Glueckert	Tuesdays	Lunch/recess	219
Creators Club	McLane	Tuesdays	Advisor	117
Dungeon & Dragons(6th/7th/8th)	Osborne	Tuesdays (9/10)	3-4pm	205
Environmental Awareness Club	Howard	Tuesdays/Thursdays	Lunch/Recess	108
Harry Potter Fan Club	Bivens	Tuesdays	Lunch/Recess	107
Help Stop Shark Extinction	Fuhrman	Tuesdays	Lunch/Recess	228
Jazz Band	Reiter	Tuesdays/Fridays	7am	233
Lego Club	Friez	Thursdays	Lunch recess	Library
Magic Cards Club	Hall	Tuesdays	TBA	201
Magic Gathering Club (7TH & 8TH)	Chandler	Tues/Thurs	Lunch	106
Makerspace	Friez	Fridays	Lunch	Library
Math Counts (6th/7th/8th)	Ehli/Roberts	Wed (Mid-Oct)	2:50-4	215
Mine Craft	Friez	Fridays	Advisor	Library
Mine Craft Mini Groups	Hall	Tuesdays	Advisor	201
Newsletter Club	Friez	Thursdays	Advisor	Library
NEWS Production	Toivonen	Wednesdays	Lunch/Recess	232
Paper Dragon Puppet Club	Bivens	Tuesdays	Bivens	107
Prodigy Club	McLane	Thursdays	Advisor	117
Robotics	Friez	Thursdays	Advisor	Library
Running Club	Bishop	Tues/Thurs (3/11-4/24)	3-4 pm	Outside
Science Olympiad (7th & 8th)	Grotbo	Wednesdays	Lunch	122
SLAC	Friez	Wednesdays	Advisor	Library
Speech & Debate	Lieberg	Wednesdays	Lunch/Recess	111
Student Council (7th/8th)	Fuhrman	Wednesdays	Lunch/Recess	228
Volleyball/Tetherball	Glueckert	Thursday	Advisor	Cafeteria
Wiffle Ball	Nicholson	Tues/Thurs	Lunch/Recess	Outside
Yarn Club	Burke	Tuesdays	Lunch/Recess	206

# CREATING A CARING SCHOOL COMMUNITY...



BOB  
Time

**BOBCAT PAWSITIVES**  
Helena Middle School

STUDENT NAME \_\_\_\_\_ GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

SELECTED FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted By: \_\_\_\_\_



BE SAFE  
BE RESPONSIBLE  
BE RESPECTFUL  
BE A LEARNER

BOB  
Pawsitives

WEB

Where  
Everybody  
Belongs



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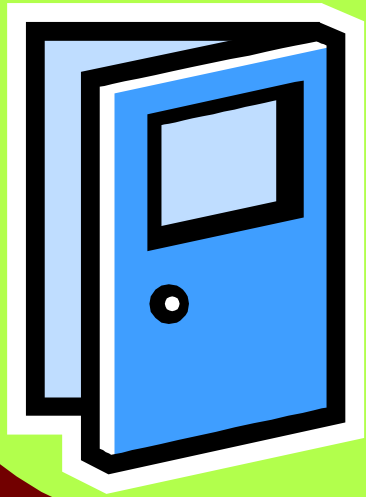
# Student Check Out Procedures

- Parent presence is required for safety of children when checking out of school.
- Advanced calls are appreciated.
- Students wait in office for parents.

# Making A Successful Transition



# Start the day right...



School is open for  
students and parents at  
7:45 a.m.

Students need to be in  
classrooms if at HMS early.

The Café does open at  
7:15 for students to  
assemble and or eat  
breakfast.

# BE PREPARED

- **Supply Lists**
- **Computer Mouse**
- **Assignment Notebook**
- **Combination Lock (Practice)**
- **Binders**
- **Student Handbook**
- **Tour the Building** (when available)
- **Relax!**



# Parent Involvement



- The most accurate predictor of a child's success in school is the degree to which a child's parents have exhibited three qualities:
  - 1) expressing high expectations for the child's school performance
  - 2) creating a home environment that encourages learning
  - 3) becoming involved in the child's education both at school and in the community.

# LINKING HEALTH AND NUTRITION TO LEARNING...



Water  
Bottle  
Filling  
Station



Snack Time

# COUNSELING SERVICES

## Promote and enhance the learning process

- Foster attitudes, skills, knowledge that support
  - Academic Development
  - Personal/Social Development
  - Career Development



# The Bobcat Café



## SEPARATE LUNCHES

ENHANCES SOCIAL  
INTERACTION WITH  
ALL GRADE LEVEL  
PEERS



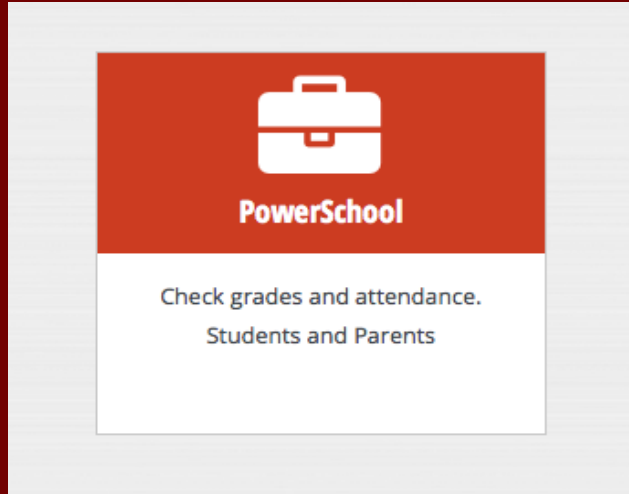
# Drop Off Areas

- Helena Avenue (Park and upload)
- Parking Lot
- Idaho Street (Park and unload)
- No Parking Area (Bus Drop off and Pick-up)
- Safety Of All Children Is A Priority
- Quickest/Easiest: Idaho Street, Café Opens at 7:15
- Rodney Street (No stopping or Parking)

# Parents and Students have a great opportunity to **ACCESS** Student Grades and **COMMUNICATE** with teachers through PowerSchool.

Find PowerSchool from our HMS website or <https://hsd.powerschool.com/public>  
You can also download a phone application.

**Your Elementary Login will work. We will communicate PowerSchool startup information in the fall.**

A screenshot of the PowerSchool "Student and Parent Sign In" page. At the top right is the Helena Public Schools logo with the tagline "—a great place to learn". The page has a dark teal header with the PowerSchool logo and name. Below the header, the title "Student and Parent Sign In" is centered. There are two buttons: "Sign In" and "Create Account". A "Select Language" dropdown menu is set to "English". Below that are input fields for "Username" and "Password". A link "Forgot Username or Password?" is located below the password field. A "Sign In" button is at the bottom right. At the very bottom, there is a copyright notice: "Copyright © 2005-2016 PowerSchool Group LLC and/or its affiliate(s). All rights reserved. All trademarks are either owned or licensed by PowerSchool Group LLC and/or its affiliates."



Grades and  
Attendance



Grade  
History



Attendance  
History



Email  
Notification



School  
Bulletin



My  
Schedule



Balance



My  
Calendars




Demographic  
Change

## Email Notifications

### What information would you like to receive?

- Summary of current grades and attendance
- Detailed reports showing all assignment scores for each class
- Detailed report of attendance
- School announcements






How often?

Once a week 

Send now?

Yes

Science 6 Burke, Katherine	B 87	B+ 89	B+ 88
Choir 6 Reiter, Tyson	A- 91	A 94	A 93
PhysicalWellness 6 Hogan, Anthony J.	A 100	A 100	A 100
Art 6 Kepler, Mike	A 94	B+ 88	A- 91

Due Date	Category	Assignment	Flags	Score	%	Grade	
03/14/2024	Habits of Work	 Lesson 2.2, Activity 4 - Sorting tool		5/5	100	A	<a href="#">View</a>
03/08/2024	Habits of Work	 OAC Review on TEAMS		8/8	100	A	<a href="#">View</a>
03/07/2024	Habits of Work	 OAC 1.3 activity 5		5/5	100	A	<a href="#">View</a>
03/07/2024	Habits of Work	 OAC Lesson 1.2, Activity 4		5/5	100	A	<a href="#">View</a>

**Assignment**

Lesson 2.2, Activity 4 - Sorting tool

**Category**

Habits of Work

**Category Description**

Assignments in this category are daily lesson assignments. These assignments will be completed in class and/or for homework. These assignments are considered practice of the learning target knowledge or skill.

# School Nurse Information

- **Mrs. Kowalski, RN**
  - **406-324-1016**
  - **Immunes**
  - **Health History**

# Final Details

- **Registration will be online. We will go Live tomorrow! Link on the website: [hms.helenaschools.org](https://hms.helenaschools.org)**
- **Schedules Mailed Home Middle of August**
- **Students/Parents encouraged to tour the building once they receive schedules.**

# Registration Form

<https://hms.helenaschools.org/>



# Conclusion and Questions

## Thank you for attending!

- WE appreciate your attendance and participation in the education of your child.
- WE look forward to teaching your student!
- THE END 😊