

MADEIRA MIDDLE SCHOOL

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5TH GRADE ORIENTATION

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HELLO!

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We believe in Accountability & Action, Care & Connection, Challenging  
& Supporting, and Creating an Environment for Exploring.

## WHAT IS MIDDLE SCHOOL

- Looking at the *INTELLECTUAL, PHYSICAL, SOCIAL* and *EMOTIONAL* needs of each child.
- *Common team time each day to meet and discuss team-related issues, coordinates tests and prompt interdisciplinary learning and connections.*
- *Opportunities for parent-team conference/collaboration to strategize to help struggling students and collaborate on weekly agenda and parent communication.*

# WELCOME TO MADEIRA MIDDLE SCHOOL!

*Learning is personalized to ensure success.*

*Middle school is exciting!*

- *Transitions are not always easy*
- *New schedule*
- *Your own locker*
- *The cafeteria*
- *Finding friends*

# COMMUNICATION

- Schoology
  - Calendar, Assignments, Assessments and Curriculum Information
- "Peek at the Week"
  - Email communication from the team regarding upcoming events
- Email
  - Please use the "@madeiracityschools.org"
- Parent-Teacher Conferences

# HOW IS 1:1 DIFFERENT AT MMS?

- Chromebooks go home with all students
- Acceptable Use Policy applies
- "Take Home Usage Agreement"
- Insurance option - GET IT!
- Chargers stay at home
- Carry device from class to class
- Transport to and from school - students should carry them in their backpacks

# 5TH GRADE VS. 4TH GRADE?

## What is new?

- You have your own locker (no stickers please)
- Different students in each class
- You can take your chromebook home!
- Band & Choir
- More freedom & responsibility
- Schoology

## What is the same?

- You change classes
- Classes are in one section of the building
- Art & PE
- Awesome teachers who care about you!

# MEET THE 5TH GRADE TEAM!





## TYPICAL DAY AT MMS

- 7:45 - 8 - Arrival
- 8 - 8:47 - Core 1
- 8:50 - 9:32 - Encore (Music/Wellness/PE)
  - 9:35 - 10:22 - Core 2
  - 10:25 - 11:15 - Core 3
- 11:15 - 12:00 - Lunch/Recess
  - 12:00 - 12:47 - Core 4
  - 12:50 - 1:37 - Core 5
  - 1:40 - 2:27 - Core 6
  - 2:30 - 3:00 - IET

## 5TH GRADE COURSES

### Core Courses (meet daily)

- Language Arts (2 Cores)
- Science (1 Core)
- Social Studies (1 Core)
- Math (1 Core)
- Specials (1 Core)
  - Computer (Q1 & Q2)
  - Art (Q3 & Q4)
  - E-squared
  - Intervention

### Encore Courses (alternate days)

- Music (MWF or TRF)
  - Choir or Band
- Wellness/PE
  - Opposite music (MW or TR)
  - Two days a week
  - Two quarters Wellness
  - Two quarters PE

## MUSIC CHOICES FOR 5TH GRADE

- CHOICES: Band or Choir
  - Band instrument choices:
    - Percussion, Clarinet, Flute, Trumpet, Baritone, Trombone
    - Band "Try-It" Day - March 2 at MES
    - 2-3 concerts each year
  - Choir
    - Boys and Girls together
    - 2-3 concerts each year

2022-2023  
5th Grade Option Sheet

Contact Julia Cabral, Counselor  
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Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

4th Grade Teachers \_\_\_\_\_

**Required Courses:**

Language Arts (2 cores)

Math

Science

Social Studies

Computer (1sem.)/Art (1 sem.)

Wellness/PE/Music

**Music Choice (please choose 1):**

\_\_\_\_\_ Band\*

\_\_\_\_\_ Choir

\*Please write your instrument below:

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**Music Choice:**

Please choose one music class from the above list. Music is a strong part of the Madeira Middle School curriculum and as such, it is an all year commitment that meets three times per week.

**Intervention:**

Reading and Math intervention is offered at Madeira Middle School. Students in need of additional skill support in either of these areas may be recommended for either intervention classes or both. Recommendation is based on standardized test scores (MAP/AIR) as well as teacher observation. Parent permission is required and quarterly reports are sent home regarding student progress.

**Additional comments:**

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Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Email/Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

# MIXED EMOTIONS...

*I am excited about...*

- *Decorating my locker*
- *Lunch*
- *Recess*
- *More freedom*

*I am worried about...*

- *Nothing!*
- *Getting my locker open*
- *Getting lost*
- *Being late to class*

# STUDENTS

1. *The staff at MMS cares about all students!*
2. *We are on the journey with you!*
3. *We want your child to love to come to school & learn.*
4. *We want you to be connected to MMS.*
5. *We hope this is the best year yet!*



720 DAYS

5,040 HOURS

302,400 MINUTES

*Together, this will be the best four years of our student's  
lives.*



*Parent Scheduling Meeting 2/22 at 6:45pm*