

Farmersville Junior High School



Supplemental Student Handbook 2020-2021

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Bell Schedule

Period	Time	Lunch	Minutes
Tutorials	7:30 - 7:50		20
1st Bell	7:50		
1st	7:55 - 8:51		56
2nd	8:55 - 10:00		65
3rd	10:04 - 10:59		55
4th	11:03 - 11:33	7th Grade	30
	11:33 - 12:03	8th Grade	30
	12:03 - 12:33	6th Grade	30
5th	12:37 - 1:32		55
FFT	1:36 - 2:09		33
6th	2:13 - 3:08		55
7th	3:12 - 4:07		55

Pep-Rally Schedule

Period	Time	Lunch	Minutes
Tutorials	7:30 - 7:50		20
1st	7:55 - 8:51		56
2nd	8:55 - 10:00		65
3rd	10:04 - 10:59		55
4th	11:03 - 11:33	7th Grade	30
	11:33 - 12:03	8th Grade	30
	12:03 - 12:33	6th Grade	30
5th	12:37 - 1:32		55
6th	1:36 - 2:31		55
7th	2:35 - 3:30		55
Pep-Rally	3:34 - 4:07		33

Advanced Courses

Honors classes are offered in grades 6-8 for Reading and Math. Placement in these classes is as follows:

- English/Reading – Students are placed in advanced English classes according to the previous year’s STAAR results and the student’s former English teacher’s recommendation.
- Math – Students take a placement test and the sixth grade released STAAR test in the fifth grade. These two test scores are combined with the student’s fifth grade STAAR scores, and the top 30% of the students are placed in the advanced math program. Parent(s) of a student not recommended for the advanced class may schedule a meeting with the principal and request their child be placed in the advanced class. The principal will make arrangements for the student to take a diagnostic test. Any student scoring 80 percent or higher on the diagnostic test may be placed in the advanced Math class.)

Curriculum in these classes is taught at a higher level and faster pace. The English classes are taught on grade level but with numerous enrichment activities and extension opportunities. The math classes are taught at a full grade level above the student’s placement. Sixth grade students take seventh grade math, seventh grade students take eighth grade math, and eighth grade students take Algebra (for high school credit).

Students in honors classes will receive a five point bonus added to their average at the end of the six weeks grading period. This bonus is given in order to maintain integrity in averaging GPA scores.

Students who average less than an 85 (after the additional 5 points are added) in an honors class at the end of a six weeks period will be placed on probation. Students on probation must raise their grades to 85 (after the additional 5 points are added) or higher the next six weeks or they may be removed from the class. Students may only go on probation once during the year for each honors class. Once a student is removed from the honors course the removal will be in effect for at least the rest of the school year, and the student will have to apply for readmission to the program. The principal and honors teachers will make the decision on readmission. The following courses are available for high school credit:

Algebra 1

Spanish 1

Business Information Management

Grading Guidelines

Student grades will be weighted follows:

Tests	50%
Quizzes	30%
Daily Work	20%

Test Retake Policy

Students have one week from the time the test grade is given to retake a test with a grade below a 70. Within that one week period the student must attend at least two tutorials with that teacher, prior to the re-take. The retake will be on the same material, but may be in a different format.

To be promoted to the next grade, a student must attain an overall average of 70 and must pass 3 of the 4 core curriculum classes (English/Reading, math, science and history). If a student fails English or Reading, then English and Reading can be averaged to determine a language arts grade, and if 70 or higher, will count as a passing language arts grade. Any class with modified content disqualifies a student from all class rank considerations. A student who attends an extended-year program (such as Summer School) must attend at least 90 percent of the program days and meet the academic proficiency standards of the course or grade level in order to be promoted.

Late Work Policy

Farmersville Junior High places a high level of importance on all work that is assigned to students. It is our belief that students should be responsible for the high academic expectations we place on them.

The first day an assignment is late there will be a 10-point deduction. Once an assignment is deemed late by the instructor, the student will be required to attend an assignment recovery session the following day during the student's lunch period to complete the assignment. In addition, parents will be notified via a text alert system that the student has missing assignments. If the student does not have the assignment turned in by the end of that day, an additional 10 points will be deducted for each additional day, and parents will again be notified of additional days of assignment recovery.

National Junior Honor Society

1. Candidates eligible for election to this chapter must be members of the seventh or eighth grade class.
2. Candidates must have been in attendance at the school the equivalent of one semester.
3. Candidates eligible for election to this chapter must have a minimum cumulative average in core classes of 90.0 percent. This scholastic level of achievement shall remain fixed, and shall be the required minimum scholastic level of achievement for admission to candidacy. Students shall then be evaluated on the basis of character, service, leadership, and citizenship.
4. The selection of members to the chapter is by invitation only; students may not apply. Membership is granted only to those students selected by a majority vote of the faculty council. The faculty council consists of five members of the faculty, other than the advisor(s), who are chosen by the principal. The term of the faculty council shall be one year. Members may be appointed to consecutive terms.

National Junior Honor Society Responsibilities

1. Membership in National Junior Honor Society is an honor and a commitment. All members are expected to continue to demonstrate the qualities of scholarship, service, leadership, and character by which they were selected. Students who fall below a six weeks average of 90.0 will be placed on probation for six weeks. Students will then be removed from the active NJHS roster unless a 90.0 grade average is achieved.
2. All members are expected to attend the induction ceremony for new members.
3. Students who are placed in ISS or suspended will be placed on probation or expelled from NJHS. Students may also be placed on probation after their third after-school detention.

Cafeteria prices for the 2020-2021 school year are as follows:

Breakfast

.30 cents for Reduced Students

\$1.25 for Full Pay Students

\$2.30 for Full Pay Non-Student

Lunch

.40 cents for Reduced Students

\$3.00 for Full Pay Students

\$3.80 for Fully Pay Non-Student