Hello AMMS Families,

We hope that you are having a wonderful summer vacation! It is our pleasure to welcome you to the 2018-2019 school year at Autrey Mill. The first day of school is Monday, August 6, and our school hours are 8:55 AM until 4:05 PM.

Our Sneak Preview will be Thursday, August 2nd. Please plan to join us at the following times:

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8th graders – 1:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. (Doors will open at 1:00 p.m.)
7th graders – 3:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (Doors will open at 3:00 p.m.)
6th graders – 5:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. (Doors will open at 5:00 p.m.)
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We know that many families have children in more than one grade level, but we ask that you adhere to this schedule so that we can ensure that the correct teachers are available when you come to meet them. Please note that you can come anytime during your grade level's time period. You don't have to be here right when the doors open. The entire process should take only about 45 minutes. Please plan to visit our wonderful school store during Sneak Preview – you can get all your school supplies at great prices in one spot!

Before Sneak Preview, we are asking that you read and complete several forms found below.

#### 1. Proof of Residence

If you are a sixth grader you will need to bring two PROOFS OF RESIDENCE with you. The list of acceptable proofs of residence is listed below; you must bring one proof from each list. In order to receive a schedule, you must bring the proofs of residence with you to Sneak Preview.

- One Utility Proof: Water Bill, or Gas Bill
- One Residence Proof: Copy of home mortgage payment; current bank statement; Copy of Home Contract; Homeowner's/Renter's Insurance card; Current paycheck stub; State driver's license/ID with current address; Current HOA Bill/Statement
- 2. <u>Technology Use Agreement</u> All Parents should complete this form online.
- 3. Digital Citizenship Training All 7th & 8th grade Students must complete before August 6th in order to be issued an iPad on August 7th. 6th grade students will complete the training the first few weeks of school.

**Students play Common Sense Media's Digital Compass Simulation**. "Students learn the fundamentals of digital citizenship through animated, choose-your-own-adventure interactive experiences. Students are invited to explore digital dilemmas, make good (and not-so-good) decisions, and try out possible solutions through stories and mini-games – all without risking their real-world reputations." (Modified from Common Sense Media)

Students can play online or install the app on any device. The simulation can take up to 10 hours, however it does not have to be completed in one sitting. <a href="https://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/digital-compass">https://www.commonsensemedia.org/educators/digital-compass</a>

**4. Complete this quiz online after exploring Digital Compass**. (7th and 8th grade students only)

Student must receive a minimum of an 80%. Students have 3 attempts to pass. <a href="http://www.quia.com/quiz/6849223.html">http://www.quia.com/quiz/6849223.html</a>

Please email Ashley Perry at <a href="mailto:perryam@fultonschools.org">perryam@fultonschools.org</a> with questions.

5. JOIN AMMS PTA and COMPLETE YOUR DIRECTORY INFORMATION ONLINE. Go to <a href="MySchoolAnywhere">MySchoolAnywhere</a> before Sneak Preview, and go straight to the PTA FASTPASS line at Sneak Preview, OR PRINT the <a href="PTA">PTA</a> <a href="Membership">Membership</a> (printed) COMPLETE, AND BRING TO SNEAK PREVIEW along with your check to AMMS PTA.

All parents are encouraged to join at the highest level they can afford.

## Every membership matters! Help AMMS PTA obtain 100% participation from our families

\*\*NOTE: If you are a returning family, your information from last year will already be in the online directory – you will just need to update it. The system automatically promoted students to the next grade level and deleted any graduates from last year. If you had a sole student graduate last year and now have a rising 6th grader, you will need to re-enter your directory information.

- 6. PTA Volunteer Form please complete this form online.
- 7. If you plan to volunteer at AMMS, you must complete the <u>Volunteer Training</u> and fill out the Volunteer Form. Bring the completed volunteer form, the training confirmation and a copy of your driver's license to the AMMS Front Office. All volunteers must have completed forms on file. This can be done after Sneak Preview.

Please read the following **CAREFULLY**, so that you'll know what to do on Sneak Preview day:

When you arrive, you will enter the gym or the cafeteria. **You will need to visit both spots – but it doesn't matter where you start.** Our advice is that you go to the area with the shortest line!

# **IN THE GYM,** you will do the following

- Pay for your lockers. (\$10.00)
- Pay for your PE uniform. (\$30.00) PE uniforms are required at AMMS. If you have one from last year that still fits, you are welcome to use it again this year.
- Pick up PE uniform(s) by showing your pink receipt.
- If you are a 6th grader you will present your two proofs of residency, if you have not already done so. If you have completed all your online forms and we have your two proofs of residency, you will receive a "Ready to Roar" card that you will use to get your schedule in the media center.

## **IN THE CAFETERIA**, you will do the following:

- Go to PTA FASTPASS line if you already joined online before Sneak Preview
- Join the PTA if you have not already, and confirm your Directory information
- Pay for lunch and breakfast
- Purchase a year book

Please note — if you join the PTA at the Lion's Den, Diamond or Platinum Level, a yearbook is included with your membership. In planning for the 2018-19 school year, we hope that you will seriously consider joining the PTA at the highest level you can afford. We are proud that we do not have any additional fund-raising throughout the year and we are especially proud of the support that our PTA provides our school with your generous donations. Because of the generosity of our PTA, we have been able to expand our technology infrastructure throughout the school. It is our hope that we will be able to continue to increase our technology offerings for teachers and students, with your help. We promise that you will not be asked to sell or buy anything to help raise money for our school. Joining at the \$150 Gold level meets all of our 2018-2019 budget needs. Joining at the \$75 Silver level will help meet our basic budget needs.

**IN THE MEDIA CENTER**, you will do the following:

- Check your bus route for the 2018-2019 school year
- Pick up your schedule
- Get your locker assignment by showing your pink receipt copy.
- Move to your homeroom class to meet your teacher.

#### **IN YOUR HOMEROOM CLASS**, you will do the following:

- Meet your homeroom teacher.
- Verify all information on the Student Contact form address, phones, emergency contacts, etc.
- If you have time, you may walk through your child's schedule to find his/her classes.

## **AT THE SCHOOL STORE**, you can do the following:

- Purchase all of your school supplies, including locker shelves and accessories, in the school store. Pay no taxes, get great prices and support our school at the same time.
- Take your supplies right to your locker!
- Buy your AMMS spirit wear.
- Use your \$20 school store coupon you received for joining the PTA at the \$150 Gold level or higher.

Please keep in mind that our parking lot is very small and that we expect large numbers of students and parents to attend Sneak Preview. If you live close by and can walk to the school, we would really appreciate it. Perhaps you and another family or two could carpool. We appreciate any consideration that you can give to our limited parking situation. Again, consider arriving later after some of the early birds have finished!

Don't worry if you're unable to make it to Sneak Preview. Many students will see the school and their teachers for the first time on the first day of school. We will have administrators, counselors, and parent volunteers available to help students find their classes and purchase necessary items on August 6th.

The Autrey Mill PTA, administration, faculty, and staff are excited about the opportunities that await us as we continue to work and learn together. We encourage every parent to become involved during the 2018-2019 school year.

Sincerely,

Trey Martin, Principal

Elizabeth Stansbury and Brooke Eiseman, PTA Co-Presidents