



**Maumee City Schools**  
Gateway Middle School

**6th Grade Handbook**

2014-2015



## **As 6<sup>th</sup> grade teachers we believe:**

Instruction, guidance, and inspiration will help each of our students fulfill their potential.

In providing an orderly, safe climate conducive to teaching and learning.

In integrating the curriculum to facilitate connections between the disciplines.

Communication between and among students, teachers, staff, and parents is vital to a healthy school atmosphere.

**The following guidelines/policies are specific to the sixth grade. They are in compliance to the list that is found in the student agenda book. Please refer to both as needed.**

### **Homework Policy:**

- Important part of learning process directly connected to classroom instruction
- Due the next day unless otherwise notified by classroom teacher
- Late or missing may result in a reduction of points or a zero
- Expected to be completed in a neat and legible fashion in format assigned by the teacher

Sixth grade students who consistently complete their homework on time will be eligible for a variety of awards intended to reinforce positive academic behavior.

## **Detentions:**

Detentions may be given as a consequence for those behaviors detrimental to the learning process.

Detentions could be served before or after school, or possibly during lunch at the teachers' discretion. Parents will be notified in a timely fashion for those detentions that would require transportation outside of the daily schedule.

## **Tardies**

Please be aware that the Gateway staff is very sympathetic to sixth graders still "finding their way" during the first weeks of the school year. The policies listed below will not go into effect until students have been given a reasonable opportunity to orient themselves to their new surroundings and schedules.

The classroom teacher for may give Tardies:

- arriving past the bell
- unprepared for class

3 accumulated tardies may result in a team detention.

## **Class Supplies**

Students should have the supplies that were on the supply list given out before school started. They should be replenished as necessary. Pencils are always in high demand. Please be careful to purchase the correct calculator as described on the supply list.

## **Cell phone/Electronics**

Cellular/electronic devices are to be kept turned off and stored in the student's locker upon arrival at school each day. Any student requiring to call home during the day must use an office phone.

## Communication

Here are some of the many methods of monitoring your child's performance while he or she is a student here at Gateway:

Agenda Book

Weekly email alerts regarding information from each teacher

Telephone

Email a specific teacher

Arranging to attend a team meeting

Mid-term progress reports

Powerschool online gradebook

Team web pages:

Team Pinnacle- [Teampinnacle.weebly.com](http://Teampinnacle.weebly.com)

Team Intrepid- <http://maumeek12intrepid.weebly.com>

## Homework Hotline

To leave a voice message, or check homework assignments dial **891-JETT (419-891-5388)**. Your call will be answered and you will hear recorded instructions. You may listen to the message or immediately press the 3-digit code number of your teacher.

<b>Teacher</b>	<b>3-digit code</b>
<b>Team Pinnacle</b>	
Mrs. Ripmaster (Team Leader) ELA	215
Mrs. Taylor - Intervention Specialist	226
Mr. Rominski - Math	208
Miss Stevens - Social Studies	204
Mr. Weigman – Science	216
Mrs. Muczynski _ Reading	262
<b>Team Intrepid</b>	
Mrs. Zellers (Team Leader) Intervention Specialist	211
Mrs. Stratton- Math	205
Mrs. Baron- ELA	207
Mrs. Wannemacher- Social Studies	210
Mrs. Taborn- Science	217
Mrs. Kleinfelter- Reading	311

**Other Teachers (both teams)**

Mrs. Snyder - Computer Literacy	261
Mrs. Gawron- Reading	305
Mrs. Martin – Reading	246

**Power School**

You can view your child's grades, as well as any missing assignments, electronically via Power School online. Please address any questions regarding your child's performance directly with the classroom teacher. Office will distribute the password the first week of school, along with a directions sheet.

**After School Activities**

Gateway offers a wide variety of after school activities. We strongly encourage your child to participate in at least one. Information regarding these activities will be conveyed through the daily announcements, as well as online on the Gateway Middle School website. [www.maumee.k12.oh.us/gatewayms](http://www.maumee.k12.oh.us/gatewayms)

**Dress Code**

The dress code in its entirety can be found in the student agenda book. This dress code will be enforced. Please refer to it if you have a question as to what is allowed concerning student attire. We do recommend that your child keep a dress code appropriate sweatshirt or fleece in their locker.