



## **Middle School (6-8) Frequently Asked Questions**



**1. What time does the school day begin and end?**

Middle School classes begin at 8:25am. The regular school day ends at 3:35pm.

**2. What school supplies are needed?**

Supply lists are available at [www.oakgrovelutheran.com](http://www.oakgrovelutheran.com) and in area stores.

**3. How early may students be brought to school and where should they be dropped off?** Students may come to school any time after 7:45am. Middle school students should be dropped off in the loop in the front courtyard. Doors on the outside access points of campus will be locked. Students arriving at school before 8:15am must wait in Card Commons, located in the lobby of Gorder Gym.

**4. Is transportation available to and from school? Where does the shuttle drop students off and pick them up?**

Students can ride our shuttle between campuses in the morning and the afternoon. The shuttle picks up students at our elementary in the south parking lot and drops them off at the North Campus near Gorder Gym. In the afternoon, the shuttle picks up students at North Campus by Gorder Gym and brings them to the elementary parking lot. For more information, including the current schedule, fees and registration form, visit [www.oakgrovelutheran.com](http://www.oakgrovelutheran.com).

**5. Who do I contact if my child misses school?**

If your child is not at school due to an illness, trip or an appointment, contact Mrs. Vogel at [miriam.vogel@oakgrovelutheran.com](mailto:miriam.vogel@oakgrovelutheran.com) or 701.373.7100 as soon as possible (email is preferred). If the student is late or needs to leave for an appointment, Mrs. Vogel also needs to be contacted. The student must sign in and out at the main office whenever arriving or leaving campus once the school day has begun. If missing days are known in advance, request a pre-excuse form from the office, notifying teachers and getting any assignments that may be missed.

**6. How late may the students be on campus and where may they go to be picked up?**

Students not participating in a supervised school activity are to be picked up by 4:00pm. Students should be picked up from the loop in front of the courtyard at the center of campus.

**7. What is the schedule for chapels?**

We have a 20 minute chapel on our regular days of school and various special 30-60 minute chapels throughout the school year. Guests are always welcome!

**8. Is breakfast served?**

Breakfast is available to students starting at 7:45. Students charge breakfast to their lunch accounts.

**9. What's for lunch?**

Lunches cost \$4.25. Weekly hot lunch menus can be found at [www.oakgrovelutheran.com](http://www.oakgrovelutheran.com). We also provide ala carte items. Students are encouraged to take hot lunch first, with the ala carte providing additional options for hungry students! Students and/or parents may deposit lunch money in accounts at any time in the high school office, in the lunch line or go to [www.myschoolbucks.com](http://www.myschoolbucks.com) to charge to your credit card.

**10. How can I find out a daily schedule for school activities?**

The Daily Bulletin will be emailed out to your primary family email daily in the afternoon. This Bulletin includes academic, athletic and other events for the day as well as announcements. Our website also has a school calendar with events. You will also receive the Middle School Messenger in your primary family email once a week.

**11. How do I check my student's grades and attendance?**

The Family Portal is available for students and parents to check assignments, grades and attendance. Please ask a teacher if you need help logging in. Your username and password remain the same as your student transitions from middle school to high school.

**12. Can my student be in band and choir?**

Band and choir are open to all middle school students.

**13. Does the middle school have a yearbook?**

The middle school yearbook will include many pictures capturing all the activities and special days throughout the year. The middle school fee covers the cost of all middle school yearbooks.

**14. Are there school clubs & activities for middle school students?**

Refer to the Opportunities Brochure on our website at <https://www.oakgrovelutheran.com/activities>.

**15. Do Middle School students participate in service projects?**

Middle school students make tie blankets for the Ronald McDonald House, contribute to Fill the Dome, and perform additional area service projects to build service and leadership.

**16. What special field trips do the middle school students take?**

Middle School students typically have a ski trip and an end of the year activity. The activity fee covers these annual events.

**17. Is there a way for my student to earn money for future high school trips?**

A majority of our students are involved in activities which will require travel and the expenses that accompany these trips. We have options for students to defer some of the costs. All students and parents have the opportunity to do this in several different ways. Money collected from these opportunities is only available to go towards Choir or Band tour, Mission trips, the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> grade World Classrooms trip and other school related trips. This money cannot be used for any other school expense. For more information, contact Nicky Bogenreif at 701.373.7146 or [nicky.bogenreif@oakgrovelutheran.com](mailto:nicky.bogenreif@oakgrovelutheran.com).

**18. Please review the Oak Grove Student Handbook at [www.oakgrovelutheran.com](http://www.oakgrovelutheran.com).**