# #1 BE NICE. #1 BE NICE. #2 TELL THE TRUTH. #3 OFFER TO HELP. #4 CLEAN UP. #5 DON'T GIVE UP.

Veterans

Memorial Middle

School

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I will post important information in Canvas. Please check the Announcements page each day for a snapshot of what was completed in class that day.

8<sup>th</sup> Grade

**Physical Science** 

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We will <u>not</u> be using the textbook on a daily basis. Most at-home assignments will consist of: -completing classroom assignments -completing assignments on Canvas

Register to receive text messages and/or e-mail messages with reminders, homework assignments, and other class information.

When you sign up, remind101 will not share your phone number/email address so everything stays private!

All Remind101 notifications can also be viewed on the Canvas without enrolling in the service.

KEEP CALM AND DO YOUR HOMEWORK

## Homework Policy

I expect you to complete unfinished classwork at home for homework.

When classwork is not finished you fall behind the next day during class.

I rarely assign additional homework.

Extra Help

If a student is having trouble they should speak with the me as soon as possible. I will work with the student to schedule time for extra help. Extra help is available before and after school but parent-teacher contact is necessary to ensure that transportation is available.

#### devices in the classroom

No student is to bring their personal device into the classroom for any reason. This includes phones, tablets, laptops, earbuds, and fidget spinners. Devices need to be turned off and kept in lockers during my class. If a student does not have a locker, he/she needs to turn off their device and keep it out of sight during class. 1<sup>st</sup> offense: device turned in to the office for student pick up at the end of the day

2<sup>nd</sup> offense: device turned in to the office and kept for
3 school days (student may pick up at the end of day 3)
3<sup>rd</sup> offense: device turned in to the office and kept for
5 school days (parent must pick up at the end of day 5)
4<sup>th</sup> offense: student has lost BYOD privilege

\*\*CHECK THE VMMS HANDBOOK FOR MORE INFO\*\*

### **Student Supplies**

- One 2 inch binder with 3 dividers
- Plenty of notebook paper
- Pencils and blue or black ink pens
   The following are not required, but are greatly appreciated:
- Hand sanitizer
   Hot glue sticks
- Kleenex
- Clorox wipes
- Pipe cleaners Construction paper

#### New State Standards Starting this school-year, the Georgia Department of Education will be rolling out new science standards for each grade-level. These new standards require students to play an active roll in their learning, thus relying less on the teacher for answers. Students will be asking questions, developing activities/labs, analyzing data, and communicating results. There will be less time spent taking notes and more time completing group activities.

There will be a learning-curve for both students and teachers, but please feel free to let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

### Parent Volunteers

I would love to have more parent involvement this year! So many of you have careers in fields related to science, and I would LOVE to have you come in and speak to our students. Please let me know if you are interested!!

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