

Greetings YMS 7th and 8th-grade Parents:

I am very excited to get your students back to YMS on August 13th. It has been far too long not seeing their faces and hearing their voices. I am proud of the safety measures we have in place at YMS for the 20-21 school year and I know that teachers are anxious to get students in their classrooms so they can continue to do what they do best!

We will be having an Open House on Tuesday, August 11th. 7th-grade Open House is at 5:30 p.m. and 8th grade will begin at 6:30 p.m. In order to keep our capacity below the level required to have the Open House, we ask that you please do NOT arrive more than 5 minutes early for the event. Also, keep the time spent at YMS to no more than one hour. In other words, 7th grade Open House is from 5:30-6:30 p.m. and 8th grade is from 6:30-7:30 p.m.

The Open House will start in the gym with a presentation from the YMS staff about our safety preparations at YMS, how we can partner together during this abnormal time, teachers explaining a few “things to know” about their classes, as well as what you should know about each grade level.

At the conclusion of the gym presentation, you will be directed to the commons where students can pick up their schedules. You can then see a member of the transportation department for busing. You can visit with the school nurse about any health needs for your student. You can place personal items in your locker or you can also put lunch money on the student’s account as well as sign-up for the After School Program.

Here are the safety measures and considerations we will put in place for the evening:

- Masks are required to attend and need to be worn at all times. Since we cannot guarantee social distancing we require everyone in attendance to wear a mask.
- No more than two adults with each student. Please leave other children or adults at home. We have just enough room for two adults per child and no more.
- Even as masks are worn please be mindful of social distancing.

- We will have specific entry and exit procedures in and out of the gym in order to decrease person to person contact.
- A reminder that we do not want anyone in YMS for longer than one hour. All paperwork will need to be taken home and returned by August 13th!

If you have any questions please call YMS 402-362-6655 or send me an email at kenny.loosvelt@yorkdukes.org. Again, I can't wait to see our YMS Dukes!

Kenny Loosvelt-Principal