

	<h1>Summit Middle School</h1> <h2>STUDENT HANDBOOK</h2> <h3>2015 - 2016</h3>	<p><b>Shana Perry</b> Principal ----- <b>Michelle Grinsteiner,</b> <b>James Keeton, &amp;</b> <b>Laura McGee</b> Assistant Principals</p>
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**Summit Campus:**

School hours for students are from 7:50am-2:40pm. Student supervision begins at 7:20 AM and ends at 3:00 PM. Please do not drop off students earlier than 7:20 AM. Students who do not ride a bus must be dropped off at the north entrances of the building and will report to the area designated for their grade. **At no time should students be dropped off in the bus loop;** this is to ensure the safety of all stakeholders at Summit.

The 7:45 AM bell will permit students to go to their lockers, restroom, and their first class period. Students are expected to be on time for their first class which will begin at 7:50 AM.

Please be aware that student supervision ends at 3:00 PM and the front office closes at 3:15 PM each day. Students who leave campus without authorization will receive disciplinary action and be considered truant.

For the safety of students, it is required that all students be picked up within 30 minutes of the end of the school day, school activity (such as study hall, clubs, or practice), sports activity (as a spectator), or ANY extra-curricular activity. Students not picked up within 30 minutes may have privileges revoked for attending additional school events. If there is an emergency situation where your student cannot be picked up within 30 minutes, please communicate this to the school office. Please realize we have the safety of your student in mind and there is no supervision following the 30 minute time period after an event.

**Attendance:** (Board Policy #4205r)

In order to be successful in school, good attendance is imperative. Students should be on time for their first class, which begins at 7:50 a.m. If your child must be absent, please call the attendance secretary (**340-2920**) by 11:00 AM on the first day of the absence.

An absence or tardy will only be excused if the attendance secretary receives a phone call, note, or an in person visit from the student’s parent or legal guardian. If a tardy is to be excused, documentation must be

submitted within three school days of when the tardy was recorded.

An absence is defined as missing more than 15 minutes of any class period. Students are allowed a maximum of 9 absences per class period, per semester (excused or unexcused). **The 10<sup>th</sup> absence may require the student to make up missed time at school at the discretion of the principal.** After the 18<sup>th</sup> absence, in any one class period, the student and parent/guardian may be required to sit before the Attendance Review Committee to discuss placement for the next year. The Truancy “Compulsory Education Law” procedures will be followed (Oklahoma Statutes, Title 70, Sec. 10-106).

**Tardiness**

A tardy may be excused for illness or personal injury, medical and dental appointments, court appearances, religious holidays and family emergencies. **If a tardy is to be excused, documentation must be submitted within three school days of when the tardy was recorded.** Excessive tardies, excused or unexcused, to first hour may result in disciplinary action.

Core teams of teachers will develop a tardy policy, including consequences, for students to abide by during the school day. Students are expected to follow the established schedule by arriving to class prepared and on time.

**Visitors:**

Parents are required to check in at the office through Lobby Guard in order to receive a visitor’s pass. Lobby Guard access begins at 7:15 AM each day. Siblings, adults, parents and non-Summit students are not allowed in the halls during the school day unless they are accompanied by a Summit Employee (conferences, school meetings, etc.). Due to space and safety issues visitors are not allowed in the cafeteria during lunches.

### Checking- out:

If you must leave school before the end of the day (illness, orthodontist, etc.) please have your photo I.D. available. The individual picking up the student must have his/her name on the students' enrollment. Only adults listed on the enrollment card of a specific student are allowed to visit with or check-out the designated student. **There are no exceptions to this practice.**

It is requested that students only be checked out for special occasions to limit the possibility of missing their afternoon classes.

### Breakfast & Lunch Information:

Students may purchase a lunch or bring one from home. Students wishing to purchase school meals may open a lunch account. The student may deposit money in the account and access the money by use of student ID number. **Parents can now manage their student's lunch account from the internet.** Log onto **mypaymentsplus.com** to register using student ID number. ID numbers for middle school students are printed on each child's schedule, progress reports, and report cards. **All students are encouraged to deposit money into their accounts before 7:45 AM. Depositing money in accounts during lunchtime is strongly discouraged.** Without money in the account, a student must pay cash for lunch and breakfast. A plate lunch of four items (entrée, two vegetables/fruits/breads, and drink) may be purchased for a reasonable price. Additional ala carte items (water, chips, muffins, ice cream, drinks, etc.) may be purchased with cash for additional cost. There are several serving lines from which students may select a variety of plate lunch items. The following procedures will assist in making lunch and breakfast a pleasant experience:

1. The breakfast food line begins at 7:20 and closes at 7:45 AM.
2. Eating area should be left clean and all lunch items removed from the tables.
3. Lunch is to be eaten in the cafeteria. No food/drink is to be taken from the cafeteria to be eaten later or stored in a locker.
4. Follow the directions of the duty teachers.
5. Do not cut into the lunch line. Take your turn and do not save places.
6. Throwing food or other items in the cafeteria can be dangerous and disruptive. Students who choose to engage in such activity are subject to swift and serious consequences.
7. Students are required to stay on the school grounds during lunch. Lunch duty teachers are in the cafeteria and outside during lunch each day to assist and supervise students. Students will go outside if

weather permits. On days the temperature is below 32 degrees students will remain in the building visiting quietly before returning to class.

8. **Students should not be checked out for lunch by anyone other than their own parent(s), legal guardian(s) or Summit staff.** Parents are reminded that we have a limited amount of time for students to eat lunch (30 minutes) and many classes are split to accommodate 8 lunch times. Although we appreciate the desire of parents to take students out for special occasions (birthdays, etc.), when students arrive late in classes after lunch, it does disrupt classes and affects the class routine.
9. ***Parents may bring lunch to school for their children only.*** Bringing items like pizzas for several students often causes problems in the cafeteria. Deliveries from restaurants will not be accepted.
10. Due to space and safety issues we cannot permit adults and non-Summit students to eat in the cafeteria during lunch periods.

### Vending Machines:

Vending machines provide drinks and snacks before and after school or during special occasions. Students are not to use the vending machines during passing time. This activity may result in confiscation of purchased item(s) at the expense of the student. All food items purchased before school must be consumed by 7:45 AM and are not to be placed in lockers. Misuse may result in loss of privileges.

### Publicity and Closed Campus:

The Edmond Public Schools Administrative Center and the campus principal must approve all posters, flyers, and informational tools displayed throughout the school. Organizations that are not school-related CANNOT advertise in the school. Summit Middle School is a closed campus and therefore does not allow access to the building for unapproved non-school related organizations. Class hours are 7:50 AM to 2:40 PM. Students should not arrive on campus until 7:20 AM when supervision begins. All students must stay on campus until the end of their scheduled day. Leaving campus without permission will result in disciplinary action and will be considered truancy.

## Transportation:

Riding a bus is a privilege which may be lost if behavior is inappropriate. On the bus, students are under the direct control and supervision of the driver. If there are problems, the driver will file a written report with the school administration and appropriate action will be taken. The following are bus behavior guidelines:

### Before Bus Arrives:

1. Arrive at the bus stop 5 minutes before the bus is due. Dress appropriately for the weather. You may have to wait in the rain or cold.
2. Wait for the bus in a safe place, stand ten feet back from the roadway, and wait until the bus comes to a complete stop before approaching it.
3. Form a single line and enter the bus in an orderly manner (with no pushing or shoving).
4. When entering or exiting the bus, always use the handrail.
5. Once you have entered the bus, find your assigned seat quickly.
6. Carry belongings in a backpack or book bag, and if something falls under or around the bus, tell the driver. **Never try to pick it up yourself!**

### While on the Bus:

1. All rules for the classroom apply to the bus. No loud talking or yelling is permitted.
2. Always cooperate with the bus driver and other school officials.
3. Remain seated facing forward at all times, do not change seats, and keep feet out of the aisle. Bus seats are designed to protect you in an accident and can only do so if you are sitting properly.
4. Do not be destructive. Throwing objects on or off the bus is strictly prohibited. Students and their parents may be held responsible for damage to the bus or property outside the bus. Vandalism, including writing on seats, will not be tolerated.
5. Harmful items, such as drugs, tobacco, alcohol, knives, weapons, etc., are strictly prohibited. All district policies regarding dangerous weapons and drugs apply to all students, whether at school or on a bus.
6. Be courteous to your bus driver and fellow passengers. Use no profane language or gestures.
7. Help keep the bus clean.
8. Keep all parts of the body inside the bus at all times.
9. **No food and/or beverages of any kind may be consumed on the bus.** Lunches may be taken to school if kept inside a lunch box or in a

backpack/book bag. No food or drink of any kind will be allowed on the return trip after school.

10. Only those items that can be safely held in your lap or stored under the seat will be permitted on the bus. In addition, glass or glass containers are not to be transported on a school bus.
11. Remain absolutely quiet when the bus is approaching and stopped at railroad crossings.

### When Leaving the Bus:

1. Exit the bus in an orderly manner (no pushing or shoving).
2. If you must cross the street, walk away from the bus and forward about 12 feet until you can see the driver's face. Cross only after the driver motions for you to cross, and check traffic as you cross the street.
3. If something falls under or near the bus, tell the driver. **NEVER PICK IT UP YOURSELF!**
4. Never cross behind the bus.
5. Move about 6 feet away from the side of the bus and stay away from the wheels. Do not attempt to grab any part of the bus or run after it.
6. Never attempt to crawl under the bus for any reason.
7. Go directly home after leaving the bus; do not return for any reason.

### After School Bus Procedures:

1. Students proceed immediately to the commons and cafeteria. Early bus numbers are posted and students can proceed to the bus loop. Second round bus riders proceed to the cafeteria to sit and wait for their bus number to be called.
  2. All students should remain seated and **No** student should leave the bus area unless given permission by the duty teacher.
  3. Standards of behavior should be the same as in the classroom.
  4. Never board a bus until it comes to a complete stop, and you are directed to board by the duty teacher.
  5. Dress on the bus is the same as in the classroom.
  6. Students riding the after school ZAP bus have to be assigned to by an administrator.
  7. **Students must ride their assigned bus due to limited seating and safety.** Students are not permitted to ride a bus home with a friend for a sleep over, or after-school free time, etc.
- \* For emergencies, the Transportation Department phone number is 340-2962.**

## Academic Success

At Summit Middle School, students are expected to achieve and maintain his/her best effort in each class. Students have the responsibility of staying informed on school related information and relaying such pertinent information to their parents or legal guardian. Edmond Public Schools have “gone green” and therefore do not send copies of report cards home. Progress reports and report cards can be obtained through **Parent Portal: Infinite Campus**. Parents can view their student’s grades and attendance on-line or via mobile application. To receive a username and password to access the on-line account, parents must present a photo ID to the office and use the emailed link to setup an account.

### Absences/Makeup Work:

Students must arrange to make-up work when absent. Students are allowed **one day for each day absent plus one additional day to the total**. After that time, the work is considered late and may not receive full credit. Students may utilize ZAP for completing make-up work or assessments.

All assignments can be found on [www.edmodo.com](http://www.edmodo.com) (with a login and teacher code). For access to edmodo students must create a login and use a code provided by the teacher. Students will create their account during school and information regarding access for parents will be sent home.

### Grading Scale:

**A = 90-100**

**B = 80-89**

**C = 70-79**

**D = 60-69**

**F = 0-59**

### National Junior Honor Society:

NJHS prepares students for their future steps in life and further strengthen their scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. Membership is awarded to 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students whose overall GPA is 3.5 or higher. The Grade Point Average is based on the student’s grades from the **second semester of the previous year and the first semester of the current school year**. Students also receive recommendations from teachers based on character, leadership, and academics.

## Golden Summit:

Golden Summit is considered the highest award received at Summit Middle School. Selection is based on Summit’s core values, which are respect, responsibility, and building relationships. A recognition ceremony is conducted at the end of each semester to honor the students who have been selected.

### R.t.I. & FOCUS:

Any 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who does not demonstrate proficiency on the state mandated assessment will be assigned to FOCUS/RtI for the following school year. A letter is sent home with all students on Information Day outlining this program and Summit Middle School’s commitment to ensuring student academic growth and success. Any 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grade student who did not receive a proficient score on their Oklahoma Core Curriculum Test will be placed in FOCUS for the succeeding school year.

### ZAP (Zero’s Aren’t Permitted):

ZAP is a program designed to assist students in assignment completion. ZAP is offered on Tuesday and Thursday of each week from 2:40 to 4:25 PM, with district transportation available. A student who does not have his/her assignment/homework for the respective day will make a call to his/her parent or legal guardian to provide notification of the missing assignment and the need to attend ZAP. If the assignment is not given to the teacher by the assigned ZAP day, the student will attend the after-school-program. Parent contact will be made prior to all ZAP placements and it is our goal that students complete their assignments on a regular basis to help ensure learning and academic growth is taking place.

## School Protocols

### Backpacks:

Students are welcome to use backpacks for the purpose of transporting books and materials to and from school on a daily basis. However, during the school day, **backpacks, book bags, large purses (book size), and string bags must be stored in lockers from 7:50 to 2:40**. Students may not bring these items to class, as recent research has shown that excessive weight of some backpacks can be detrimental to student health. In addition, students need to learn organizational skills of arriving in class with needed materials without carrying all the materials they own.

### **Lost and Found:**

Articles found in and around the school will be placed in the lost and found bins located by the elevator. All unclaimed items will be donated to a charity at the end of each semester. Students are strongly encouraged to label all personal property with his/her full name.

### **Telephones:**

The telephone in the office is available to students for EMERGENCY PURPOSES and requires a pass to the office from a teacher. Students may use an office telephone if they are ill, need medication, or if a school activity changes unexpectedly (For example, a sports practice is cancelled.) Students may not use the phone during passing time without a pass from a teacher.

If a parent or legal guardian calls for a student at school, a message will be taken and then delivered to the student. In case of an emergency, the message will be delivered immediately.

Messages left after 2:00 PM are often difficult to deliver before the 2:40 PM bell. Due to personnel constraints, parents are strongly urged to ask the secretaries to deliver only vitally important messages! Personal plans (such as going to a friend's house after school, etc.) must be made in advance and are not justification to miss class and utilize a school phone.

### **Wireless Communication:**

A student may possess a wireless telecommunication device, i.e. cellular phone, while on school premises. Teachers will provide educational opportunities for students to access their electronic device using the district Wi-Fi. Students will be given instruction on how to access the Wi-Fi. **However, the device should remain in the "power off" position throughout the school day, until the teacher gives permission to access.** In order to not disrupt the learning environment phones should remain off. Students who fail to comply with this policy will visit with an administrator and their phone may be confiscated and held in the office until a parent or guardian claims it. Repeated violation of this policy may require discipline action and be required to turn in their phone to the office daily.

### **Textbooks:**

Students are responsible for textbooks issued to them until the end of the school year or withdrawal from school. Students should write their names inside the cover of each textbook. Whether the book is lost, stolen, or damaged by the student or unknown persons, the student is responsible. Students must pay for lost, stolen, or damaged books. Obligations must be cleared in the Financial Office before receiving grade cards or cumulative records.

### **Team Policies and Procedures:**

Core teams will develop consistent and specific team practices and procedures applicable to each team member. While Board Policy and school rules supersede team rules, students are expected to adhere to the expectations set forth by the designated team of teachers.

### **Lockers:**

Lockers are provided for your use and convenience and are the property of the school. Be sure to follow these guidelines:

1. Keep your locker combination a secret. After closing your locker, always turn the dial.
2. Once you have been issued a locker, you may NOT change or share lockers without permission from a principal. *Violation of this rule may result in loss of locker privileges.*
3. Do not bring valuable items to school, such as an amount of money more than the price of a lunch.
4. Students who misuse or purposely abuse/vandalize lockers will be subject to disciplinary consequences.
5. Lockers are not to be decorated with stickers, etc. Removable items are permissible.
6. **State law (Section 24-102of Title 70) provides that "Pupils shall not have any reasonable expectation of privacy toward school administrators or teachers in the contents of a school locker, desk or other property. School personnel shall have access to school property in order to properly supervise the welfare of pupils. School lockers, desks and other areas of school facilities may be opened and examined by school officials at any time and no reason shall be necessary for such search."**
7. Edmond Public Schools is not responsible for any lost or stolen items.

### **Passing Time:**

Time between classes is to be utilized for preparing and organizing materials needed for classes, using the restroom, and getting a drink of water. Misuse of this time may result in loss of privilege. Passing time is limited to **3 minutes**. However, an additional two minutes are available and used at the team's discretion.

## Prohibited Items:

Significant amounts of money and other items of value are not to be brought to school. Edmond Public Schools cannot assume responsibility for any lost or stolen items. ***Skateboards, roller blades, squeeze bottles or other open containers are prohibited at Summit. Nuisance items such as toys, games, audios, CD players, headphones, iPods, cell phones or other wireless devices may be confiscated if found in use during class time or passing period and released to parents upon contact and request. Students who bring these items to school do so at their own risk. Summit is not responsible for lost or stolen items. Cell phones and other wireless devices are to be turned off from 7:50 AM to 2:40 PM unless they are used for educational purposes at the teacher's discretion.*** Students are not permitted to bring any sort of merchandise to school for personal sale or re-sale.

## Proper Dress:

**The student dress code is based upon the premise of recognizing fashion without sacrificing decency, safety, and appropriateness. It is the intent to restrict extremes and indecency, which will detract from the main purpose of the educational program. Dress and grooming which causes or is likely to cause disruption of the instructional program of the school is prohibited.**

The following are general protocols and guidelines regarding proper dress. Inappropriate attire at **Summit** includes BUT IS NOT LIMITED to the following:

1. District Policy Guidelines as seen in the Middle School Student Handbook. Board Policy #4510 revised 04-02-01
2. Our administrators utilize the “dollar bill” test in determining whether an article of clothing is too short. This simply means that the ENTIRE hemline of any skirt or shorts worn MUST be within 6 inches above the crease of the knee.
3. Trench coats, bulky coats, or long coats resembling trench coats are not to be worn in the building.
4. Students are not allowed to display bandanas of any color on school grounds.
5. Our administrators will assess student dress based on an incident, detection, analysis, and response process. This is to reduce the disruption and distraction of the educational program at Summit Middle School.

## School Programs and Services

### Counseling and Guidance:

The counselors are available to work with students on a daily basis. Please contact the counselor when situations or concerns arise that has an overall impact on a child and his/her well being. Programs and activities are scheduled to take place throughout the school year and include group and individual counseling. Other responsibilities of the counselors include facilitation of parent-teacher conferences, participation in team meetings, planning school-wide activities, and preparing bullying prevention programs. In addition, our counselors coordinate and implement state mandated testing, and enrollment and scheduling procedures. Our counselors are highly skilled, believe in the best interest of all students, and are a great resource for all Summit Middle School stakeholders.

### Eagles Nest:

Eagles’ Nest is a pizza lunch in our media center, sponsored by our Parent Club, for students who are being recognized for making good choices. Eagles’ Nest is held during grade level lunches, three times a semester. Students receive a certificate written by their nominating teacher and are served lunch by the counselors and administrators.

### First Aid and School Nurse:

In the event your child becomes ill, he/she is encouraged to seek help from his/her teacher or the office staff. If an emergency occurs, parents will be notified as soon as possible. If parents are unavailable, the emergency notification person(s) listed on the enrollment card will be contacted. Edmond Public Schools offers the services of a school nurse. She is available on specific days and can be requested for immediate service in times of need.

### Student Medication:

State Law binds the school on procedures regarding medication. The procedure is very strict because medication can be very dangerous if it is misused or abused; therefore, the following procedures will be followed:

1. Only medication, which has been prescribed for a student by a physician, can be administered by school personnel. **This includes non-prescription or over-the-counter medication.**
2. Medication brought to school to be administered by school personnel will be in a prescription vial with the pharmacy label that states the physician’s name, the name of the medication, and the directions. Only



if a physician has made a diagnosis and has directed that specific medication be given, will it be done. Non-prescription medicines must be in the original container and accompanied by the physician's written request and instructions. In the event a physician provides sample medication for the student, a signed statement from the physician must accompany the medication, stating the name of the medication and directions for administration.

3. A written request signed by the parent or guardian must accompany the medication, stating the student's name, the name of the medication, the amount to be given, and the time it is to be given.

Medication, which is to be administered for more than ten (10) days or only when necessary, also requires a written and signed physician's statement. Appropriate forms are available in the office upon request. **No student should have medication or a chemical substance at school unless it follows the prescribed procedure and has been properly checked in for safekeeping in the office. Violation of this procedure can result in serious disciplinary consequences with possible suspension out of school.**

### Media Center:

The Media Center hours are 7:30 AM to 3:00 PM. The Media Center Specialist is happy to assist students in the use of books, audio-visual materials, and computer technology. Students may utilize a hall pass to visit the media center. Books circulate for two-week periods and certain magazines can be checked out overnight. A notice of overdue materials will be sent to the student's team teachers and fines may be assessed for overdue materials. Any lost, stolen, or damaged items are the student's responsibility. \*Failure to return books or assessed fines may result in the holding of progress reports, school records, or prevent participation in school activities.

### School Activities

Students, who are absent the day of an activity, whether it is an excused absence or unexcused absence or if they are serving a **suspension**, may not be allowed to participate in after school or evening activities. Parents are responsible for picking up their student(s) from extra-curricular activities in a timely manner. Students left longer than 30 minutes past the conclusion of the activity, including practice, may not be allowed to attend further events. The school cannot assume responsibility for students if they leave the supervised school activity and/or area.

### Sports:

Numerous sports are available in which 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students may participate. Girls and/or boys

may participate in the following sports: football, softball, volleyball, basketball, baseball, cross-county, track, golf, tennis, and wrestling. Students must provide a current completed physical form to the site athletic director and Summit coaches are required to keep a copy of documents at all times to ensure student safety. Physicals must be on file in order to participate in practices and games. **Current is defined as after May 1<sup>st</sup> of the current school year.** Parents are encouraged to keep a copy for their files. All additional consent forms must be completed online <https://edmondschools.rankonesport.com>

### Eligibility:

#### **New School Year and Semester Grades**

A student must be passing five classes from the previous year or semester. If not, the student will not be eligible to participate during the first SIX WEEKS of the next semester.

A student regains eligibility by achieving passing grades in ALL SUBJECTS at the end of a six-week period.

Students enrolled for the first time must comply with the same requirements.

#### **Weekly Eligibility During a Semester**

The Oklahoma Secondary Schools Activities Association has established strict policies and procedures regarding scholastic eligibility for 7th and 8th grade students. In adherence to these rules, we are required to do weekly grade checks on Wednesday to determine eligibility for every student involved in a competitive activity (interschool athletics, band, vocal music, and orchestra).

Student eligibility will be checked during the fourth week and each succeeding week thereafter. A student must be passing all subjects in which he/she is enrolled. If not, the student will be placed on probation for the next one-week period. If the student is failing one or more classes at the end of the probationary one-week period, the student will be ineligible to participate during the next one-week period. Week periods will begin on Monday and end on Sunday.

A student who is not passing all subjects will be notified by school officials. **EACH STUDENT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR INFORMING THEIR PARENT CONCERNING THEIR ELIGIBILITY STATUS.**

A student who is failing for two consecutive weeks will be ineligible to participate in any activity the second week.

A student who has lost eligibility under this provision must be passing all subjects to regain eligibility.

## General Information

### EPS Middle School Handbook:

The information provided in the student agenda is to introduce the general rules and regulations of Summit Middle School. It is in no way to be a totally inclusive document. Please refer to the EPS Middle School Handbook for detailed information on policies and procedures including but not limited to **Dress Code, Dangerous Weapons, Drug and Alcohol Free campus, Tobacco Policy, Transportation, Title IX, Sexual Harassment, Internet Access Agreement, Discipline Policies, Bullying and Harassment, FOCUS, and Eligibility.**



### **2015-2016 School Calendar Quick Reference**

Please check the calendar on our website for upcoming events and download the School Way app [www.schoolway.com](http://www.schoolway.com) to your electronic device to receive reminders and updates.

<b>August 20</b>	<b>First Day of School</b>
<b>August 31</b>	<b>Open House</b>
<b>September 7</b>	<b>Labor Day (No School)</b>
<b>September 21</b>	<b>Teacher Work Day (No School)</b>
<b>October 15-19</b>	<b>Fall Break</b>
<b>October 8</b>	<b>Parent/Teacher Conference 4:30-8pm</b>
<b>October 12</b>	<b>Parent/Teacher Conference 4:30-8pm</b>
<b>November 25-27</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Break</b>
<b>December 21-January 1</b>	<b>Winter Break</b>
<b>January 4</b>	<b>School Resumes</b>
<b>January 18</b>	<b>Martin Luther King Day</b>
<b>February 15</b>	<b>Presidents' Day</b>
<b>March 14-18</b>	<b>Spring Break</b>
<b>April 29</b>	<b>April Day (No School)</b>
<b>May 24</b>	<b>Last Day of School</b>
<b>May 30</b>	<b>Memorial Day</b>





# Get Involved at Summit!

Summit Middle School provides students countless activities and organizations. We believe students should receive a well rounded education and take part in activities and organizations that are important to them. Research shows that students who “plug in” to school and are involved with activities and organizations are successful in school and graduate. Below is a list of organizations and activities, with a brief description, that are offered to all Summit students:

## **Athletics**

Students at Summit can participate in the following organized sports: Girls Volleyball, Girls Softball, Cross Country, Track, Basketball, Golf, Wrestling, Tennis, Baseball, Football, and Olympians.

## **Chess Club**

Summit Middle School students who enjoy playing chess are welcome to join the Chess Club. This is open to all grade levels and playing levels. A student only needs permission to stay and a ride home. The dates and times will be announced. Please listen to the announcements for this information.

## **Drama Club**

Drama club is an organization for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Drama Club always gets a great club t-shirt each year and has a drawing for a monthly prize. Drama Club has guest speakers, former Summit Eagles now at Santa Fe who come and share their experiences, play/drama games, prepares scenes to perform at school functions, and has a community outreach at Christmas. "Santa Paws" collects items for the Humane Society.

## **FCCLA**

Family Career & Community Leaders of America is an after school organization open to all students at Summit.

## **Geography Bee**

Geography Bee is held once a year for all Summit students and is a competition that gages student understanding of world geography. The overall Geography Bee winner for Summit Middle School will move on to compete at the regional level.

## **Lunch Bunch Book Club**

About once per month the library will host a Lunch Bunch Book Club for students in each grade (7 per book discussions per grade). Students will check out the appropriate book and read it before the assigned date. The school cafeteria will make sack lunches for the participants to have in the library. The librarian will furnish dessert and lead the discussion. Students learn to listen politely and attentively to one another. They learn that there is no *right* opinion when evaluating literature. They learn to appreciate literature on a higher level.

## **Scholar Squad**

Scholar Squad is the name of our competitive academic teams. Competitions are similar to TV's *Jeopardy* game – except teams play rather than individuals. Practice occurs after school.

## **TSA**

TSA is an engineering club who meets after school on Tuesdays for students who love to build things, take things apart, and have an interest in the way things work. This organization provides participation and leadership in a variety of challenging, educational, and fun activities. Students have the chance to compete through a variety of local, state, and national events. Some of our awards this past year were in Leadership, Marine Design, Bridge Building, Techno Talk (building and texting the instructions), Website Design, Technical Drawing, and Prepared Speech.

## **Friends of Rachel**

Friends of Rachel is a student organization dedicated the mission of Rachel's Challenge which is to promote and initiate acts of kindness on campus and throughout the community and world. Friends of Rachel organize and support various activities throughout the year such as: Red Ribbon Week, Santa Fe Homecoming Week, Homecoming Parade, Double Wolf Dare Week, HOOPLA, canned food drives, school spirit banners, and dress up days.