



August, 2016

Dear Grade 8 Tiger Parents/Guardians:

We would like to welcome you and your child to the eighth grade at Coleytown Middle School! We are truly excited to have all of you with us this year. Your child will be taught by the following teachers:

Brennan Morgan – Social Studies/Team Leader
Caitlin Grogan – Language Arts
Virginia Gasparakis – Math
Kelly Baker – Science

Together, the Tigers have developed a list of supplies that are necessary for academic success in the eighth grade. Please try to have all supplies for the first day of school. We will provide an assignment planner which we will help your child use on a consistent basis. This will facilitate cooperation between school and home.

The Tiger Teachers will help students set up their notebooks during the first few days of school and will assist students in maintaining proper organization throughout the year. Your assistance at home would be greatly appreciated as well, by periodically looking at your child's notebook to see if it is organized and equipped with all materials.

Eighth grade will offer your child an opportunity to learn individually, work in groups, investigate, and discuss. Students will write, analyze, and perform activities designed to make learning more fulfilling as well as apply learned content to new scenarios. We are looking forward to working with your child to make this a successful end to his or her middle school experience.

Thank you for your support!

Sincerely,

Grade 8 Tiger Team Teachers

Tiger Team Supply List

Language Arts:

Binder of your choice
Pens & pencils
Highlighters
Post-it notes
Loose leaf paper/1 subject notebook
Dividers with tabs
Folder for non-hole punched work (optional)

Math:

1½ inch 3-ring binder
Pencils
Red pens
5 dividers with tabs
Loose-leaf paper
12 in ruler

For Algebra Honors and Algebra A classes we will be using the **TI-84 Plus** calculator. It is not required to purchase the calculator for the course. However, if you choose to purchase a calculator at this time, the **TI-84 Plus** is recommended because it will also be used in all math classes at Staples High School.

Science:

Folder
1 subject notebook (spiral or bound)
Pens and pencils

****Note to parents/guardians: Please check with your child periodically to see that they are equipped with ample supplies. They will need to be replenished periodically (probably once per quarter). A pencil pouch for all subjects is recommended.*

Social Studies:

Binder of your choice
Loose-leaf paper
6 dividers with tabs
Highlighters
Pens and pencils

Health:

Folder with pockets
Pens AND pencils
Loose-leaf paper

Physical Education:

T-Shirt (white or light gray. No v-necks, cut-offs or tank tops)
Shorts must be mid-thigh in length when waist bands are worn at the waist. (No cut-offs, spandex or leggings)
Sweat pants or warm-ups with thin waistband for pedometer
Sneakers and socks

World Language:

2 inch 3-ring binder
5 dividers
Loose leaf paper
Folder punched into the binder
2 pens (black or blue)
100 index cards.