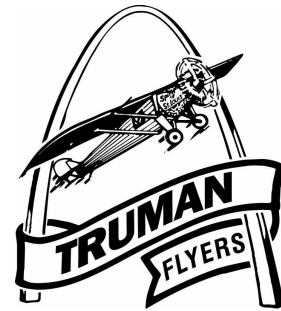


# Harry S. Truman Middle School

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April 6, 2018

Dear Parents/guardian:

It is hard to believe that in a few short months we will welcome a new class of sixth graders into our middle school community! We hope that you are equally excited to begin the transition to Truman Middle School. While this transition can prove to be unsettling for some parents, rest assured that the activities below ease this transition and enhance your child's success in middle school. We encourage you to take advantage of the opportunities available in an effort to prepare both you and your child. Listed below is an overview of each of the activities that will take place over the next several months.

We are looking forward to getting to know and serve your family. Please feel free to contact the office at any time with questions you may have about the transition to sixth grade. Welcome to Truman Middle School!

- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Meeting**-The below meetings are ways for you to get involved at Truman Middle School.
  - **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Orientation** (April 23rd, 6:00 PM, Truman Café) – Dr. Straatmann, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. O'Daniel, and Mrs. Pulliam will offer a brief presentation and tours of Truman Middle School. This is a great opportunity to get a feel for the school and learn about academic and extra-curricular programming.
  - **Truman Parent Group (TPG)** (April 26th at 7:00 PM, Truman Band Room) – Our Truman Parent Group is looking for officers for several positions on the board. If you are interested please contact them at [trumanpto@lindberghschools.ws](mailto:trumanpto@lindberghschools.ws). Voting on the 2018-2019 TPG board will take place at our April 26th meeting.
- **5<sup>th</sup> Grade Student Orientation** (May 4<sup>th</sup>) – Fifth grade students will have an opportunity to tour Truman, learn about the middle school program, meet teachers, and see group performances. This activity is held during the school day and brings all three elementary schools' students together.
- **6<sup>th</sup> Grade Transition Day** (August 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 AM-12:00 PM) – Incoming sixth grade students are invited to spend time at their new middle school, with the entire campus to themselves. They will tour the building, begin to make new friends, interact with teachers and student leaders, and get their long-awaited schedules. This will be a great day to practice the full middle school experience. More details will be forthcoming on this day's activities.
- **Open House** (Monday, August 13<sup>th</sup>) – All Truman families are invited to join us for this evening. There will be a presentation by your student's team teachers providing an overview of curriculum and details about how their team functions. Elective, exploratory, and SSD teachers will also be available for visits.

Sincerely,

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