

James Madison Memorial High School 8th to 9th Grade Transition - Class of 2024

Schoolwide Programming Events: In order to best prepare you and your child for the transition to high school, we encourage you to attend the following three events.

EVENING PARENT-STUDENT MEETING #1: 8th to 9th grade Transition Overview: Welcome to Memorial

- **Purpose:** Provide an overview of the 8th to 9th grade transition and course selection process along with program options
- **Who:** All 8th Grade families attending Madison Memorial for the 2020-2021 school year
- **When & Where:**
 - January 7, 2020 at Madison Memorial High School
 - January 8, 2020 at Spring Harbor Middle School
 - January 9, 2020 at Toki Middle School
 - 6:30 - 7:30: How to Register for Grade 9 (Full Group Presentation)
 - 20 Minute Optional Sessions to Follow (Each offered multiple times)
 - Special Education
 - English Language Learners (ELL)
 - Pathways
 - AVID
 - Dual Language Immersion (DLI) (JMM only)

EVENING PARENT-STUDENT MEETING #2: Electives Discovery Night

- **Purpose:** This night will round out your understanding of the Madison Memorial electives curriculum
- **Who:** All 8th Grade families attending Madison Memorial for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** January 21, 2020 at 7:00

EVENING PARENT-STUDENT MEETING #3: GET READY TO BE A SPARTAN

- **Purpose:** This presentation will welcome the Class of 2024 to JMM! Topics covered include the organizational (neighborhood) structure of JMM, summer enrichment opportunities, enrollment, school supplies, the first day of school, transportation, daily schedules, lunch, athletics, academic and career planning, accessing help, graduation requirements, etc.
- **Who:** All 8th Grade families attending Madison Memorial for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** May 5, 2020 at 7:00 PM
- **Optional Sessions:**
 - Pathways students and families are invited to a welcome event from 6:30-7:00 in the Wisconsin Neighborhood Center.
 - Incoming AVID students and families are invited to a welcome event from 8:00-8:30

Engagement and Program Events: We encourage families to attend the following optional events as they pertain to your specific needs and/or interests.

PROGRAM INFORMATION: PATHWAYS

- **Purpose:** Provide an overview of the Personalized Pathways Program.
- **Who:** All students and families interested in either a Health and Wellness Personalized Pathways program of study or students and families interested in an Information Communication and Technology Personalized Pathways program of study.
- **Where:** Three nights at Middle Schools (Toki, Jefferson, Spring Harbor MS)
- **When:** November/December 2019 - Specific Dates to be Determined
- **Contact:** Steve Guziewski - sguziewski@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-663-5990

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: DUAL LANGUAGE IMMERSION (DLI) COMMUNITY

- **Purpose:** Provide an introduction to Memorial and the Dual Language Immersion Program for DLI families and community members.
- **Who:** Families with students enrolled in middle school DLI programs, English Language Learners interested in the DLI program, and members of the community interested in supporting the development of the program
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** November/December 2019 - Specific Date to be Determined
- **Contact:** Lorie Oler - ljwesolek@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-633-6044

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: ENGLISH LANGUAGE LEARNER (ELL) PARENT GROUP

- **Purpose:** JMM's Latino Parent Group builds understanding of the school experience in the Spanish-speaking families of Memorial High school as they connect to the JMM, MMSD, and Madison communities. It is a bridge between families adjusting to a new culture and language and JMM's school community to better support the academic achievement and socio-emotional growth of our students.
- **Who:** Parents of English Language Learners at Madison Memorial for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School - Fox Neighborhood Center
- **When:** 6:00 - 7:30 on February 20th, 2020; March 19, 2020; April 16, 2020
- **Contact:** Anne' Knezevic - aknezevic@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-663-5995

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: PARENTS UNITED FOR RESPONSIBLE EDUCATION - AFRICAN AMERICAN PARENT GROUP

- **Purpose:** Parents United for Responsible Education provides a safe place for African American parents to discuss the importance of parent involvement in the education of their child or children. We plan to work together to hear your school-related issues and concerns and seek solutions.
- **Who:** Parents of African American students at Madison Memorial for the 2020-2021 school year
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** Specific Dates to be Determined
- **Contact:** Andrea Jones - apjones@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-663-6168

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: ATHLETICS - SPEED & STRENGTH TRAINING

- **Purpose:** The Memorial Athletic Department offers a Summer Speed & Strength Program for all athletes. The program includes a dynamic warm-up, instruction in proper technique on all lifts, speed and agility drill instruction, plyometric training, and a log book to chart progress. All skill and experience levels are welcome. Five different session options will be offered, including sessions for female athletes only and incoming 9th graders only. Specific session information will be made available by the Memorial Athletics Department in the spring.
- **Who:** All students interested in participating in athletics at Madison Memorial High School
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** Summer 2021
- **Contact:** Jeremy Schlitz - jschlitz@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-663-6079

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: SPARTAN 101

- **Purpose:** This four day summer program helps incoming Memorial freshmen learn about making a successful transition to high school. Freshmen will meet older students, teachers, principals and school staff while learning about curriculum, scheduling, clubs, sports, study skills and more! Sign up through MSCR.
- **Who:** All incoming freshmen interested in a summer transition class
- **Where:** Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** One week sessions are offered in both June and August. Consult the MSCR Course catalog for course sign-up information

ENGAGEMENT OPPORTUNITY: ATHLETICS - ATHLETICS KICK-OFF EVENT

- **Purpose:** This event will review the required forms for all students participating in athletics during the 2020-2021 school year and allow athletes and families to meet with coaches for sport specific information. The event will cover the Athletic Code as well as student-athlete and parent responsibilities to the Code, school, and team. All Memorial students who wish to participate in a WIAA sport during the 2020-2021 school year must attend this event with a parent or guardian.
- **Who:** All students interested in participating in athletics at Madison Memorial High School
- **When:** July 29, 2020; 6:30PM - Main Gym & Auditorium
- **Contact:** Jeremy Schlitz - jschlitz@madison.k12.wi.us - 608-663-6079

