



Intermediate School



Why have an Intermediate School?

Safe Transition

- ▶ **Intermediate provides a safe transition between Elementary and Middle School**
 - ▶ An increased challenge for 5th grade
 - ▶ A good transition for 6th grade in preparation for middle school

Continued Organization

- ▶ **Emphasis to develop organizational skills**
 - ▶ Binder
 - ▶ 5 subject folders
 - ▶ Locker
 - ▶ Planner

Increased Responsibility

▶ Homework

▶ 5th grade:

- ▶ Math homework 3-4 nights a week
- ▶ Bible memory weekly
- ▶ Occasional history, science and language

▶ Light homework on the weekends for projects

▶ **Students develop improved study habits and will need to study at home for quizzes and tests**

▶ **Students learn how to develop good time management**

Intermediate Teachers

- ▶ **Mrs. O'Bryant: 5th grade homeroom, Bible, and math**
- ▶ **Mrs. Foster: 5th grade homeroom and reading**
- ▶ **Mrs. Garza: science**
- ▶ **Dr. Nanney: history**

Schedule

- ▶ **7:30am drop-off without a morning care charge**
- ▶ **School day goes from 8:00-3:35**
- ▶ **Class periods are 45 minutes long**
- ▶ **Students must ensure that all assignments are turned in during each class period**
- ▶ **Students will switch for core classes**

Elective Options

- ▶ **Choir – 5th and 6th grade**
- ▶ **Band – 6th grade only**
- ▶ **Computer – 5th and 6th grade (if they didn't take it in 5th grade)**
- ▶ **Art – 5th and 6th grade**
- ▶ **Drama – 5th and 6th grade**

Sign up will be through a Google Form sent to the parent's email in late June or early July.

PE

Athletics

- ▶ Students will change for PE daily
- ▶ Students will need to have a small gym bag for PE clothes
- ▶ All uniforms should be labeled with student's name

Students are required to wear the following uniform items during PE:



▶ Fall

- ▶ Football (only 6th)
- ▶ Flag Football
- ▶ Volleyball (girls)
- ▶ Cross country (girls and boys)

▶ Winter

- ▶ Basketball (girls and boys)

▶ Spring

- ▶ Track (girls and boys)

▶ A fee is assessed for each sport

Uniform Changes for Intermediate

- ▶ **Boys – No change from 4th grade**
- ▶ **Girls – Girls no longer wear the jumper; daily uniform is the same for pants/shorts, skirts and tops**
- ▶ **Girls – For Chapel**
 - ▶ The jumper is replaced with a skirt and there is an option of two different white button-down blouses

Chapel Uniform

 <p>¾ Sleeve blouse OR Short Sleeve Tapered Oxford with monogram</p>	 <p>Plaid pleated skirt (worn with modesty shorts)</p>	 <p>White or black knee-hi socks</p>	 <p>Solid white or black opaque tights (no patterns allowed)</p>	 <p>Black Monogrammed Cardigan, Pullover, or Vest (sweaters must be worn on chapel days from October 1-March 1)</p>
 <p>Shoe options (see options on right)</p>	<p>Shoe Options</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• School approved black leather shoes (penny loafer, oxford, ballet style, Mary Janes)• Black leather Sperry-style shoes with black soles• Black and white leather saddle oxfords			

Consistency in Discipline

- ▶ **Honorable Character in 5th-6th Grade**
 - ▶ All the IS teachers use the same system
 - ▶ Weekly character log sent home to the parents (instead of blue conduct folders)
 - ▶ Reward system

How Can Parents Help?

- ▶ **Buy a padlock to practice locker opening skills**
- ▶ **Help students use the organizational tools provided**
 - ▶ Students should keep items in their binders and not remove them without the teacher's direction
- ▶ **Encourage your student to communicate with his/her teachers to self-advocate**
 - ▶ Students who work on developing relationships and open communication with their teachers are often the most successful.