

SUCCESS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL



Your Parent/Guardian and everyone here at Bolivar Middle School wants you to have the best possible education so that you can feel pride in yourself with a job well done. The following guideposts were written by a group of 8th grade students who were all successful and wanted to leave with you their key(s) to success.

- Attend regularly.
- Be punctual.
- Respect your teachers
- Respect your classmates and schoolmates.
- Respect yourself.
- Be prepared.
- Obey all school rules.
- Use your time wisely. Don't procrastinate.
- Have the will to do your best.
- Believe that you can do, and you will do.
- Keep your work and yourself neat and clean.
- Never leave school in doubt about any assignments. Seek help from your teacher.
- Don't worry about what others may say; just do your work.
- Don't cheat.
- Be patient, kind, trustworthy, and friendly.
- Participate in extracurricular activities; join a school club.
- Study! Study! Study! Set up a regular study work schedule.
- Take your books home everyday; don't leave them in your locker.
- Listen! Listen! Listen!
- Set a goal and realize that your major purpose for attending school is to **learn**.

GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

The Guidance Department at Bolivar Middle School is committed to helping you reach your full academic potential. Counselors work with parents, teachers, and administrators to help students adjust and succeed in middle school and beyond. Counselors welcome students who seek help on their own, as well as those students who are referred. The students can sign up for appointments in the guidance office. Counselors are available for drop in meetings with students before and after school hours. You can also request an appointment by signing up on the counselor's appointment sheet located in the Guidance Department.

Counselors go into the classrooms for group guidance sessions covering orientation, school procedures, test preparation, career exploration, and scheduling procedures. Counselors work with the 8th graders and their parents on the four-year high school plans.

Conferences with the teachers can be arranged through the guidance office. This can be with an individual teacher or with the team of teachers during the teachers' planning time. If you have any questions or comments, please call Mr. Willie McKinnie or Mrs. Connie Young at 731-658-4563.

CAFETERIA PROCEDURES

Bolivar Middle School Cafeteria provides both breakfast and lunch programs to all students. During breakfast time (7:30-7:55) students report directly to the cafeteria. During lunch servings students will be taken to the cafeteria by the classroom teacher. They are to stand in line politely and quietly. Students shall place all trays and trash in the appropriate place. The cafeteria is to be left clean for the next group's use.

Students may pay for breakfast or lunch in advance by taking the money to the office before school. It will be recorded there and turned in to the cafeteria.

NATIONAL SCHOOL LUNCH PROGRAM

Bolivar Middle School participates in the National School Lunch Program and offers students nutritionally balanced meals daily. Free and reduced-priced meals are available based on financial need. At the beginning of each school year an application will be given to the student to take home to parents in order to apply for free/reduced meals. This application is to be brought back to school and there will be notification of eligibility. Any student who does not return the application by the deadline will be required to pay full price until the application has been processed. Information on this program can be obtained from the Principal's Office and at the Hardeman County Board of Education.

The Bolivar Middle School Cafeteria uses a computer tracking Point of Sale System for meal purchases. The computer system at all points of sale will make it possible for customers to prepay by placing money on account. All points of sale will also accept cash.

