



NEED To Know.....

STUDENT PROFILE - If you have not already done so, please complete the PARENTVUE Re-Enrollment (on this webpage) to verify/update contact numbers, email address, emergency contacts, bussing and mailing information for both student and parent. District 206 uses this contact information to communicate with parents/guardians and students so it is important that this is completed by August 11th, if possible.

PARENTVUE / MY ALEXSCHOOLS PORTAL - is a safe and secure way for parents to access information about their child/ren, monitor and support their academic success and enhance school to home communication. *If you do not already have an account set up or are having issues accessing your account, please contact Tech Support at tsupport@alexschools.org or call 762-3333.* Parents are strongly encouraged to activate their account and utilize this tool throughout the year.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES - The Discovery School Supply list can be found online. [Click here](#) and scroll down to find the middle school list.

ATTENDANCE, GUIDANCE OFFICE/STUDENT SUPPORT - [Click here](#) to review information.

THE DAILY BULLETIN - is a resource for students and parents to stay informed of events and happenings each day at DMS. The Daily Bulletin can be found on the main page of the Discovery website ([DMS Site](#)).

ACTIVITIES / ATHLETICS / FINE ARTS - Visit our website [Activities](#) for information on activities offered at Discovery Middle School. Here you will find starting dates and times as well as fees for activities as well as any weather related announcements for your student's activity. Activity registrations are completed online and a current physical (completed within the last 3 years) needs to be on file PRIOR to registering your student for a sport activity. Physicals can be dropped off in the main office or faxed to 320-762-8347. If your family is experiencing roadblocks in your student participation, contact the Discovery School office for information regarding assistance with activity fees and activity supplies.

- **Activities Resource Links for you:**
 - [Register your student for an activity](#)
 - [Sports Physical Form](#)

Schedules, maps, and driving directions can be found on the [Central Lakes Website](#). Any changes (start times, locations) will be updated here as well.

Cardinal Activities and Schedules can be found at: www.central.lakes.conference.org.

PARENT-PRINCIPAL CONNECT - Parent-Principal Connect Meetings are being held on a monthly basis. Our overall goal in coming together for Parent-Principal Connect meetings is to foster partnership between school and home, increasing opportunities for relevant family engagement at the middle school level. Please reach out to Heather Timm, Principal and/or Sara Kusters, Assistant Principal if you have any questions or suggestions relating to these opportunities.

PADLOCKS/LOCKERS - All students MUST have a padlock PURCHASED FROM DISCOVERY SCHOOL. 7th and 8th grade students should have padlocks previously purchased. ***Incoming 6th graders and students new to the district will need to purchase a combination padlock for \$6.00. You will be able to purchase these on the website or from their homebase advisor during orientation/open house on August 30th.*** Unless students lose their padlocks (and would then have to purchase a new lock), they will keep that padlock through their years at Discovery and then take it with them to the high school. Students are not allowed to use a personal lock on their school issued locker.

FOOD SERVICE -

Breakfast, Lunch, Additional Servings & Snacks

Meals for all students are FREE for the 2023-2024 school year. This includes one free meal for breakfast and one free meal for lunch. If a student wishes to have additional servings, the student must have money in his/her family lunch account. Additional snacks may be purchased when there is money in the family lunch account. Snacks may also be purchased if a student brings in money to pay for this snack at lunch time. Meal account payments can be made online and there is also a payment dropbox in the main office.

Free & Reduced Information

While one free breakfast and one free lunch is provided daily, we encourage families who fall within the income guidelines to complete Free & Reduced applications. The information on the application is confidential. Funding for some of the district's educational programs is based on the number of our students who are eligible for and receive free or reduced-price meals. Qualifying families may also receive discounts on school sports/activities and community education fees.

Visit the Food and Nutrition Services section of the website: [Free and Reduced Meals](#) to complete this online application or to access FNS contact information for questions.

Family Accounts: To register and/or access your account online, go to lobby.wordwareinc.com and follow the instructions. (If this is your first time accessing your family meal account, please call 320-762-3315 to obtain your Family Key number.) Once registered, you will be able to access your account balance, view transactions, make payments, set limits on ala carte purchases, and more!

What's for Lunch? Here is a link to find out what is for lunch at each building. [Lunch Menu](#)

HEALTH OFFICE - Our Health Assistant will be in the health office during open house on Wednesday, August 30th, from 3:30-7:30. This is a great opportunity to bring in health conditions paperwork and prescription medications along with the [Authorization of Medication Administration](#) form signed by your provider.

Parents/Guardians of middle school students must complete the [Authorization to Self-Carry OTC Medications](#) form if they'd like their child to carry OTC medications like Tylenol, Advil etc. Parent/guardian and student signatures are required. These forms will also be available in the main office and health office on open house night.

ACCIDENTAL MEDICAL INSURANCE - Please [click here](#) for information concerning accidental medical insurance. If you are interested in getting this for your student, insurance forms are available in the Discovery School office. Please be aware that School District 206 does not provide any type of health or accident insurance for injuries incurred by your child(ren) while at school.

WEBSITE RESOURCE

- The District 206 website is: www.alexschools.org. You can go to Select a School and choose Discovery Middle School to reach the middle school website.

IF YOU HAVE ANY OTHER QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL OUR MAIN OFFICE AT 762-7900. THANK YOU!