

Frequently Asked Questions



Q. How long do we have for lunch?

A. Every lunch period is a half hour. You will eat lunch with 6th graders only.



Q. May we sit wherever we want at lunch?

A. Yes, as long as you and your classmates act responsibly in the Cafeteria.

Q. Is Springfield Township Middle School big?

A. STMS has three floors. The 6th grade homerooms and most of their classrooms are on the first floor. You will travel to other parts of the building for lunch, specials, and assemblies.

Q. May I carry a backpack from class to class during the school day?

A. No, backpacks present a safety hazard when they are stored on classroom floors. You must keep your backpack in your locker and only carry the books you need at specific times.

Q. Do 6th graders take a foreign language at STMS?

A. No, foreign language classes don't begin until 8th grade.

Q. Can we chew gum at school?

A. No.



Q. What is "Spartan Block?"

A. Spartan Block is an activity period held first period every day. For the most part, students can select the activities that they want to participate in. There are many options to pick from, including: Chorus, Band, sports activities, Art Club, games, fitness activities, yoga, cheerleading, dance options, and many more!

Q. What is Color Day?

A. Color Day is held near the end of the school year. The entire student body is divided into two teams (Blue or Silver) which compete against each other in small group athletic activities. All sorts of sports activities are represented from ultimate Frisbee to volleyball to basketball to street hockey and more. The faculty competes against each other as well!

Q. Is there a dress code at STMS?

A. Yes, your clothing must meet the dress code. The dress code is outlined in the front of the agenda book that you will be given during the first week of school.

Q. What is a "detention?"

A. Detentions are assigned by a principal when a student has repeatedly made poor choices. They may be assigned before or after school or during lunch. Detentions provide students with an opportunity to reflect on their behavior choices and move forward in a positive direction.

Q. Can 6th graders play interscholastic sports for STMS?

A. No, interscholastic sports (where you compete for STMS against neighboring middle schools) begin in 7th grade. This is a League rule. You may, however, attend all sporting events and cheer the Spartans on!



Q. How long do we have between classes?

A. You have approximately three (3) minutes between every class.

Q. May I use a cell phone at school?

A. Your cell phone may be used during the school day with teacher permission only. At all other times, your cell phone must be silenced and secured in your locker. You may use it on school grounds and in the building freely before and after the official school day.