

August 2023

Dear M6D Team Families,

Welcome to Farnsworth Middle School and the Mohawk House for the 2023–2024 school year! We are so happy that you will be a member of the **Abbasi-Hart M6D Team**. We are looking forward to a school year filled with lots of learning, new friendships, and fun!

Mohawk 6D is made up of Mrs. Abbasi, who teaches Math and Science, and Mrs. Hart, who teaches Language Arts and Social Studies. Your child will be placed in a homeroom with Mrs. Abbasi or Mrs. Hart and will follow a schedule based on the letter day. All students see all of us everyday for an 80 minute “block” class. In addition, they will be attending Encore classes like Health, Art, PE, Music, Technology and F.A.C.S. and Tutorial throughout the week. It’s a busy day in 6th grade with lots of new faces to meet! We are looking forward to meeting you, teaching you what 6th grade is all about and making your 6th grade year at Farnsworth a great one!

### **Parents**

No one knows your child better than you. It would be so helpful if you would write a letter to us all about your child. Please tell us anything you think we should know about your son or daughter. We always enjoy reading these letters, and it allows us to begin the school year already knowing a bit about each child. We welcome any and all of your thoughts or ideas. ***Please email this letter to us during the summer (see addresses below) or have your child bring your letter to school on the first day.***

**IMPORTANT!** Throughout the school year, information will be sent to the email address(es) you’ve provided in [eSchool](#). Please make sure your preferred phone number and email address is correct so that you don’t miss out on announcements about school procedures and opportunities for you and your child to visit FMS as the summer progresses.

### **Students: Summer Reading**

During the summer, the FMS expectation is that each student will read **at least one book**. Write down the title and the author and be prepared to write and share information about the book in the first week of school. If you need some ideas of what to read, refer to the [recommended reading list](#) on the district’s website for suggestions. We **strongly encourage** students to keep reading this summer. We already have our summer reads lined up!

### **School Supplies**

Good organizational skills are a major factor in student success in middle school. To help you get prepared, we have attached a list of school supplies needed for the upcoming school year. We ask that you **unpack and label everything at home** as best you can using the attached list so that we can get off and running smoothly in our first few days.

We look forward to meeting you at the **6th grade Orientation Day on September 6<sup>th</sup>**. More information about this day will be shared with you later in the summer.

Sincerely,

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**Abbasi-Hart**  
**2023-2024**  
**M6D Team Supply List**

\*\* Please bring all LABELED supplies to school on Sept. 7th \*\*

**Science & Math (Mrs. Abbasi):**

- ☐ One **RED** plastic two pocket folder (no prongs)-labeled Math/Abbasi/M6D
- ☐ One **GREEN** plastic two pocket folder (no prongs)- labeled Science/Abbasi/M6D
- ☐ Texas Instruments TI- 30X IIS Scientific Calculator

**Language Arts & Social Studies (Mrs. Hart):**

- ☐ One 1 ½ inch binder with pockets on the inside cover and a clear cover sleeve on the front and back
- ☐ Two dividers - this will separate the binder into LA/Word Study/Social Studies
- ☐ TWO composition notebooks *Note: We will be decorating one of them so plain is best!*

**General Team Supplies: (some of these will be community supplies to be shared by all)**

- ☐ Agenda/homework planner of your choice
- ☐ 1 combination lock
- ☐ Individual pencil bag or case- will be carried around to all classes
- ☐ One heavy-duty plastic 2-pocket homework folder (no prongs)
- ☐ 1 pair of earbuds/headphones (with a microphone if possible)-to use for ALL classes
- ☐ **100** or more pencils (Ticonderoga® preferred)
- ☐ 1 Package of pens- any color
- ☐ 1 box of thin colored markers
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- ☐ 3-4 glue sticks
- ☐ Three boxes of tissues
- ☐ 1 package of THIN black Sharpie or any other thin permanent marker
- ☐ **Last name A-H:** One container of antibacterial wipes
- ☐ **Last name I-P:** One box of gallon zipper bags
- ☐ **Last name Q-Z:** One box of sandwich size zipper bags

**Additional ENCORE Class Supplies** (click for the list)

**Optional Team Supplies:**

- ☐ Reusable water bottle to be used during the day (no glass please)
- ☐ Hand held pencil sharpener
- ☐ Wireless mouse to use with Chromebook
- ☐ Personal hand sanitizer to be kept in locker
- ☐ Chromebook carrying case/cover

Students will carry their supplies to their individual classes throughout the day, including their Chromebooks, and keep the rest of their supplies in their lockers. Please keep the Chromebook charger at home and get into the habit of charging it at the end of EVERY DAY. We hope this list will make your school shopping easier. Please email us with any questions.

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