

August 2026

Dear M6D Team Families,

Welcome to Farnsworth Middle School and the Mohawk House for the 2026–2027 school year! We are so happy that you will be a member of the **Abbasi-Hart-Kelly-Puran 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, Mrs. Hart, who teaches Language Arts and Social Studies, Ms. Kelly, who teaches ENL and Ms. Puran, our special education teacher. 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 every day 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!

Communication

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. We appreciate you filling out [this Google form](#) sharing insights about your child prior to the first day of school.

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 **unwrap 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 will be organizing supplies and lockers in the first few days.

Additionally, your child will be assigned a locker for use during the day as well as for PE. They will need a lock for both lockers. We have found that students who already are comfortable with being able to open a combination lock experience much less stress and anxiety in the first week of school. There are other types of locks you can purchase. Whatever you decide, practice, practice, practice! We promise it will help!

We look forward to meeting our new students at the ***6th grade Orientation Day on September 3rd***. More information about this day will be shared with you later in the summer via ParentSquare. School officially begins the following day on **September 4th**. Your child can bring supplies with them to school on either day. Until then, enjoy the summer!

Sincerely,

Mrs. Melissa Abbasi – Math/Science
Mrs. Cheri Hart – Language Arts/Social Studies
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**Abbasi-Hart-Kelly-Puran
2025-2026
M6D Team Supply List**

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
- One composition notebook *Note: We will be decorating it, so plain is best!*
- 1 pack of Post-It Tabs (or similar)

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

- 2 combination locks (one for daily use and one for PE)
- 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 box of thick colored markers
- 1 box of colored pencils
- 1 package of thin dry-erase markers
- 6-8 glue sticks
- 2 boxes of tissues
- 4-5 THIN black Sharpie or any other thin permanent marker
- **Last name A-H:** One pack of 3x3 Post-It notes (any color)
- **Last name I-P:** One package of highlighters (any color)
- **Last name Q-Z:** One box of crayons

Optional Team Supplies:

- Reusable water bottle with sealed lid 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

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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