

Opportunity Hall

DMS works diligently to encourage students to complete all work and to not accept zeroes. Each nine weeks, students are given two opportunities to complete up to two assignments per subject for a grade up to a 50. Opportunity Halls will be held during Team Time on:

September 5	January 30
October 3	March 5
November 7	April 3
December 12	May 8

Report Card

Report cards will be issued following the end of each nine week grading period. Report Cards will be sent home with students on:

October 20
January 12
March 23

* End of the year report card will be mailed home in May.

The mission of the Dacula Middle School is to be a supportive community of lifelong learners, to respect each individual, and to inspire all to reach their maximum potential.

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Staying Connected with Dacula Middle School



“In this complex world, it takes more than a good school to educate children. And it takes more than a good home. It takes these two together.”

Dorothy Rich

DMS is on the Web

Visit the DMS website for the most up-to-date information on school related events. You will also find homework help, counseling assistance, school calendar, testing information, clubs, school newsletters, PTA and School Council information, and much more. Don't hesitate, visit us on the web today.

Parent Workshops

Mark your calendar for two very exciting learning opportunities for you and your child. DMS will host two parent workshops this year focused on helping parents support their children in the areas of writing and math.

Parent Writing Workshop

October 21, 2008 (6:30 p.m.)

This workshop will train parents how to use the state writing rubric and specific strategies for improving their child's writing.

Family Math Night

February 21, 2009 (6:30 p.m.)

Family Math Night will be an exciting evening for all! Join us as we explore the world of mathematics.



Communication Tools

Daily

- Homework Hotline
- Homeworknow.com
- Student Agenda Book

Weekly

- Electronic Newsletter (emailed every Friday)
- Progress Report (sent home via email or with student every week)

Monthly

- PTA Board Meetings
- School Council Meetings

Quarterly

- Team Newsletter (sent home with report card)
- School Newsletter (sent home with report card)

Semester

- Early Release Conferences:
November 12-13 & February 11-12
- Parent Advisory Council Meetings (PAC)
ALL parents are invited to participate

**Additional conferences held as needed throughout the year*

Agenda Books

Students are expected to write down all assignments in class as well as homework. Test and quiz grades should be recorded regularly as well. The agenda serves as a planner, hall pass, and media check out tool and should be with the child at all times.

Promotion Criteria



6th grade students must earn passing grade averages **each** semester in no less than 4 out of 5 classes with connections classes combined into one semester average. Both language arts and math must have passing averages **each** semester.

7th grade students must achieve a passing score on **each** of the following tests: CRCT Reading, CRCT Math, CRCT Language Arts, CRCT Science. Students must also earn a minimum grade average of 70, **each** semester, in Social Studies.

8th grade students must earn passing grade averages **each** semester in no less than 4 out of 5 classes with connections classes combined into one semester average. They must have passing averages **each** semester in language arts and math. Students must also achieve a passing score on each of the following State assessments: CRCT Reading, CRCT Math, Georgia 8th Grade Writing Assessment..