



# Welcome to Patapsco Middle

NEW STUDENT AND  
FAMILY ORIENTATION

2021-2022

# TODAY'S AGENDA

- Families will engage in a review of school procedures and tips for Middle School
- Students will run through their schedules beginning with Homeroom
- You will meet your child at their locker at the end of this presentation





A PLACE WHERE  
**EVERYONE** IS VALUED  
AND IMPORTANT





**KINDERGARTEN PARENTS  
ON THE 1ST DAY OF SCHOOL**



**6TH GRADE PARENTS ON THE FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL**





Birth

Pre  
School

Elementary  
School

Middle  
School

High  
School

Post High  
School

*WHOLE-CHILD*

**GROWING, LEARNING AND  
DISCOVERING**

*Patapsco is a safe and  
nurturing environment that  
focuses on student potential  
and academic success while  
emphasizing the importance  
of the social-emotional  
well-being*

# WE ARE #OnePatapsco



## A Noble Knight

1. Resilient
2. Responsible
3. Respectful

# Updates about the 21-22 school year

- Chromebooks and their care
- Chromebooks for new students available in media right after this presentation
- Masks (students, staff, and families)
- Sanitizers
- Lockers and Backpacks
- Cleaning stations
- Quarantining through Health Services and Health Department

**Patapsco  
Middle School PTA  
2021-2022 Welcome**





**Thank You!**

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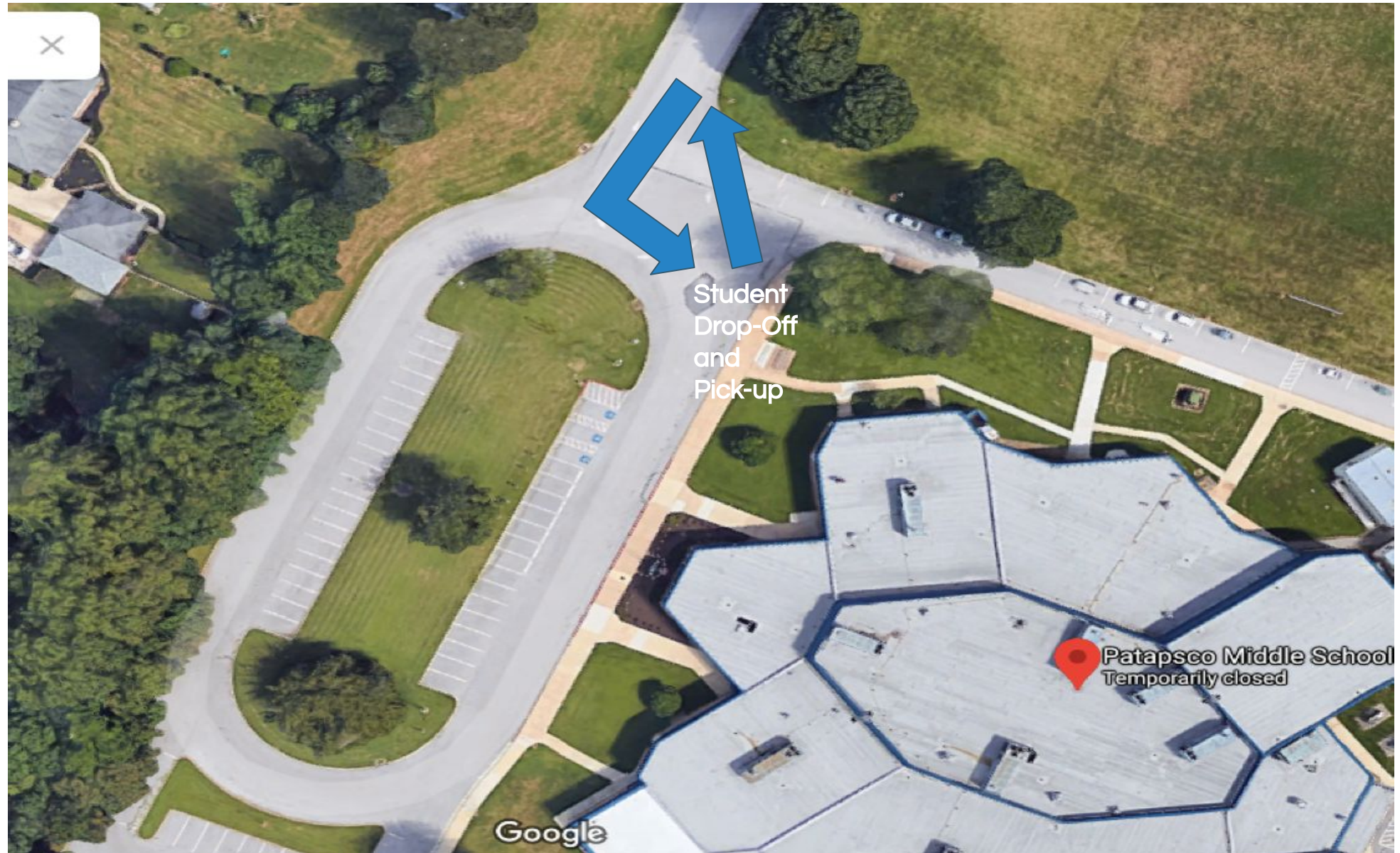
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## TRANSPORTATION

- Bus lists can be found on HCPSS and Patapsco website
- Students must ride the bus they are assigned
- Drop-off/pick-up procedures
- What if your child wants to ride a different bus?

## Student Drop-Off - 7:45/ Pick-Up - 2:55





# Assistant Principal

Heather Dinicola



## CAFETERIA UPDATES

- Breakfast and Lunch are available for all at NO CO
- Breakfast: doors open at 7:50
- Lunch: 30 minutes and includes recess
- Outside Eating Options- dependent on weather and staffing- tables and buckets/ Hand sanitizing recommended before, during, and after recess
- Free and Reduced Paperwork- given out in homeroom

# Recess- weather appropriate clothes

We take the following into consideration regarding recess each day:

- Temperature and humidity
- Wind chill
- Heat index and air quality
- Age of students
- Length of time outdoors
- Adequacy of the children's clothing
- Condition of the playground
- Falling precipitation (more than a sprinkle or mist)
- Thunder and lightning

Generally, it is assumed that students will be outside for recess when the temperature combined with the wind chill is not less than 20 degrees Fahrenheit or the heat index reading is less than 95.



# Cell Phones

HCPSS policy indicates that middle school students are not permitted to use cell phones at any time during the school day unless directed by staff.

## CELL PHONE TIME OUT

- Your cell phone needs a time out because you did not follow the electronic device policy at Patapsco Middle School.
- Remember that cell phones/devices are to be “OFF and AWAY unless I say it’s okay.”
- Please put your electronic device in this pouch for safe keeping, and leave it closed on your desk until the bell rings. Return the empty pouch to your teacher after the bell.

### Sequence of Consequences:

1. Warning
2. Parent contact
3. Parent contact, MIR, and morning detention
4. Parent phone call and Office Referral



**Relax...**the world existed just fine before cell phones, and you will be okay! I don't want you distracted by your phone.

**I want you to be an active part of our class community.**

# School Counselors

Kendra Lee (A-L)

Morgan Kempthorn (M-Z)

Dr. Annie Goldthrite (School Psych)

Amira Anderson (School Counseling Intern)

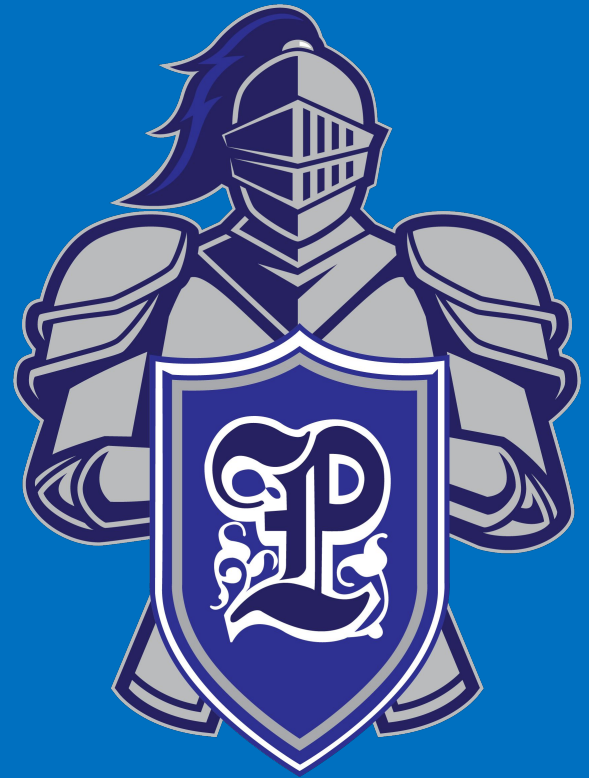


- Support the health, safety, social and emotional well-being of our students so they may successfully access their education.
- 1:1, small group, classroom lessons, grade level and school wide initiatives.

# International Liaison

Jamie Kim

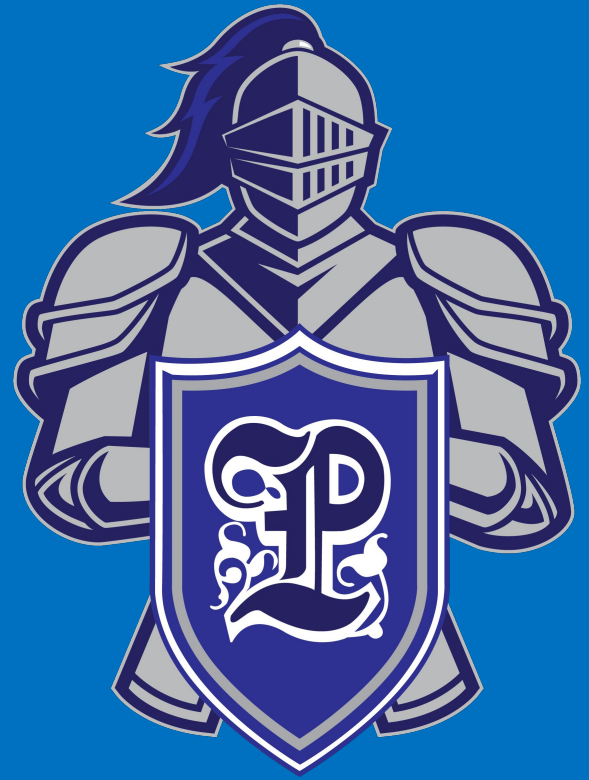
- Interpreting/Translation Services
- Bridging Cultural Differences



# Student Services Secretary

Lindsey Miles

- Late Arrivals
- Conferences
- Absences and Notes







# School Secretaries

Ashley Anderson & Sandy Nedzel

- Visitor Sign-In
- Early Dismissals
- Photo ID
- Buzz and introduce yourself



# Nurses

Megan Blouse and Diane Standeven



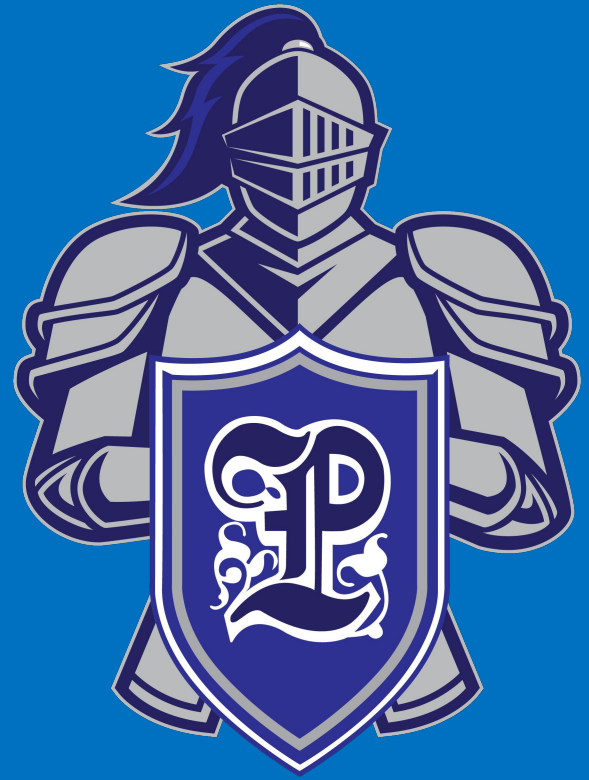
- Daily Health Check
- Quarantine- contact tracing done by nurse and Howard County Health Department
- Flu Clinic October 18th

# Data Clerk

Jennifer Douglass

- our website [www.pms.hcpss.org](http://www.pms.hcpss.org)
- HCPSS Connect and School Messenger
- Emergency Information

and FAMILY FILE



# Knight Time- each Wednesday (8:05-8:42)

Homeroom Assignments 2021 - 2022								
6th Grade			7th Grade			8th Grade		
Student Last Name	Homeroom Educator	Room	Student Last Name	Homeroom Educator	Room	Student Last Name	Homeroom Educator	Room
<b>A - Cha</b>	Gudelsky	A4	<b>A - Bo</b>	Dubbs	B4	<b>A - B</b>	Azat	F9
<b>Che-E</b>	Kruger	A6	<b>Br-C</b>	Goth	TR1	<b>C-Do</b>	Cozzo	C1
<b>F-He</b>	Ordovensky	B3	<b>D-Go</b>	Martin	C3	<b>Dr-Gr</b>	Dymek	B6
<b>Hi-Kok</b>	Price	D5	<b>Gr-Ke</b>	Mitchell	F1	<b>Gu-Kei</b>	Eckert	A3
<b>Kol - Mc</b>	Harris	D4	<b>Kh - Mc</b>	Richardson	D8	<b>Kej-Mars</b>	Herold	C2
<b>Me-Ola</b>	Saks	C5	<b>Me-Pag</b>	Schluter	B5	<b>Mart-O</b>	Na	F3
<b>Olb-Re</b>	Shaw	D1	<b>Pah-Sam</b>	Sherrow	TR2	<b>P-Sam</b>	Stephenson	D6
<b>Ri-St</b>	Weeks	B2	<b>San-So</b>	Vasquez	A5	<b>San-Tha</b>	Stielper	F4
<b>Su-Z</b>	Shum	D11	<b>St-Z</b>	Drake	D12	<b>Tho-Z</b>	Wardlaw	E4

Some weeks will vary but topics:

Academic, Social-Emotional Learning, Clubs, etc

\*We may have special club days with longer periods

# Assistant Principal

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- Intramurals (after school)
- Clubs
- One Wednesday a month during Knight Time and on special occasions as community-building time
- Students will be polled for suggestions the first week of school
- All students and staff participate in a club



# What is Canvas?

Canvas provides the platform for sharing class resources, detailed and hyperlinked assignments or unit plans, and online blended learning

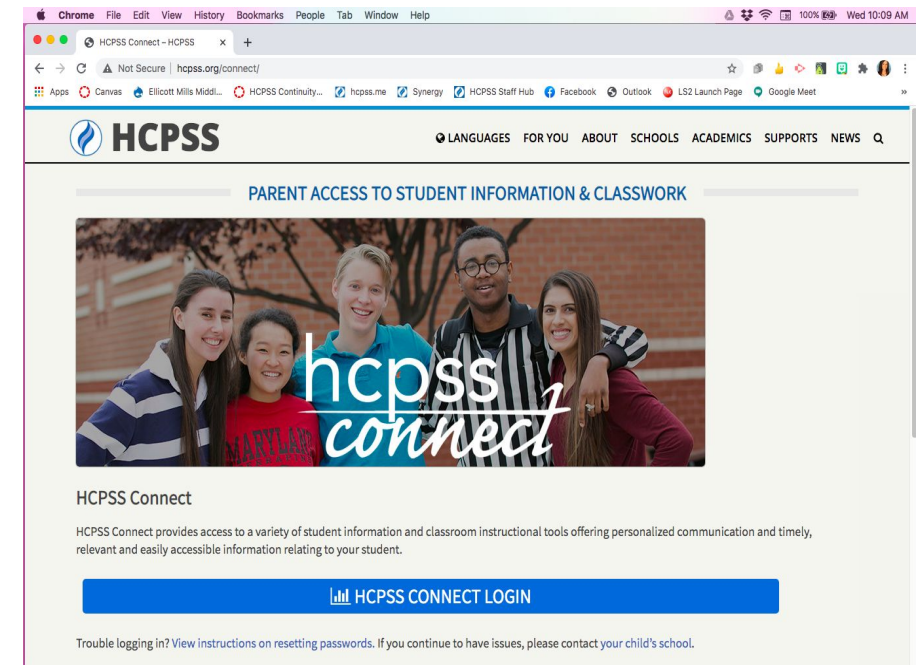
Teachers have homepages, put grades into Canvas, and can utilize tools like the Calendar, Announcements, and the Inbox to communicate with students and families.



# Logging in to Canvas

HCPSS Connect

<http://www.hcpss.org/connect>



# Logging in to Canvas

- Parents must use the email address and password set up in your Family File.
- Assignments or documents linked in Canvas are NOT viewable to anyone without an HCPSS email address. If you want to view such documents, you must have your child log in.

# Suggestion

- Set a time each week to do a Canvas walkthrough with your child. Have your child show you their grades, their assignments, and any other agreed-upon aspects in Canvas.
- Your child has access to more information than you do, so we advise conversations about grades and assignments always begin between parent and child. We encourage students to advocate for themselves and contact teachers using the inbox or via email.

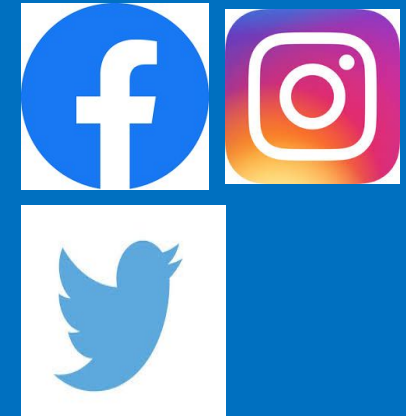
# Canvas Guides for Students and Parents

Find Answers and Tutorials @

<https://hcpss.instructure.com/courses/9495>

# Staying Connected

- PMS.HCPSS.ORG
- School Messenger
- Canvas Announcements
  
- Facebook.com/PMS.HCPSS.ORG
- Instagram- PATAPSCOMS
- Twitter- @HCPSS\_PMS





# SAVE THE DATE...

9/09 Back to School Knight- 6:00PM

9/27 Picture Day

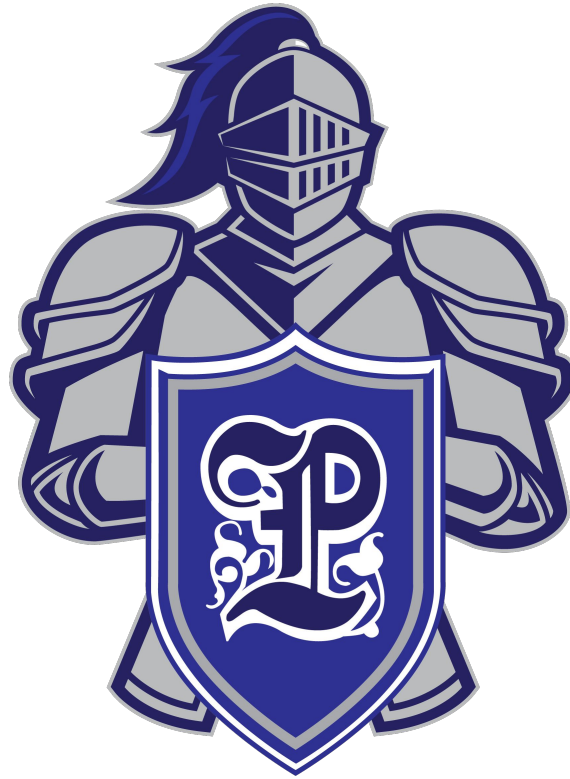
9/22 PTA meeting- 7:00 PM

# Spirit Wear!- closes 9/12

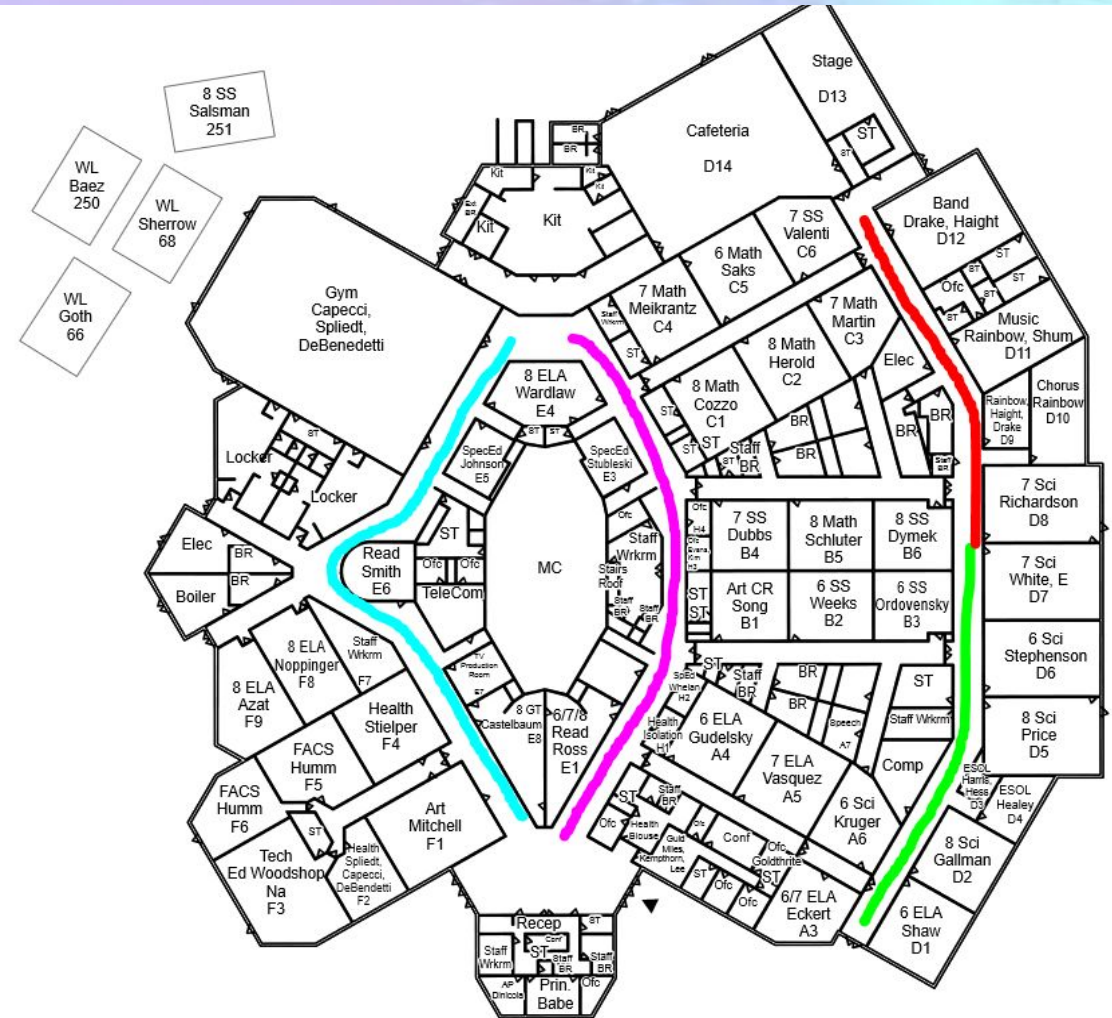


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You have officially been  
“Knighthood”



Grade	Location
6th	D-Hallway
7th	South Entrance/Main Hall
8th	North Entrance/Main Hall
Band & Orchestra Students	D-Hallway



## Patapsco MS

### First Floor