

# Memo

**To:** Board of Trustees  
**From:** Principal - Shay Swan  
**CC:** Rob Sauer  
**Date:** 9/3/25  
**Re:** Board Report - Homedale Middle School

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## **Registration / Enrollment:**

Listed below are our current enrollment numbers, these numbers have stabilized after enrolling and dropping students at the beginning of the year. Our enrollment numbers are up 5 students in comparison to this time last year.

5th Grade: 94  
6th Grade: 106  
7th Grade: 100  
8th Grade: 94  
Total: 394

## **School Attendance**

HMS had 96.37% attendance in the first two weeks of school. . This is a very high number, let's see if we can maintain it :) Relationships matter!



## Advisory Time

As a school we have put a huge focus on our daily Advisory Time. This twenty five minutes of time should be used to provide students with personalized academic, social, and behavioral success. It is also a great time to strengthen students' relationships with their teachers and fellow students.

To bolster the effectiveness of Advisory, we have created a common schoolwide schedule (listed below) that every teacher and student follow. So far, our focus has led to meaningful and positive change for students.

### Advisory Schedule

**\*\*All grades will be on the same schedule\*\***

**Monday - Study Skills**

1. Monday Check In (5 min)
2. Imagine Math (20 min)
3. Individual Binder Check (During IM)
4. Monthly Grade Check w/ Progress Report (10 min)

### Advisory Schedule

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**Tuesday - Life Skills**

1. Life Skills Lesson (15 min)
2. SSR / Whole Group Read Aloud (10 min)
  - a. Grade Level Novel

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**Wednesday - Reading Focus**

1. Daily Grade Check (5 min)
  - a. Lumen
2. SSR / Whole Group Read Aloud (15 min)
  - a. Grade Level Novel
3. Novel Discussion (5 min)

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**Thursday - Study Hall / Enrichment**

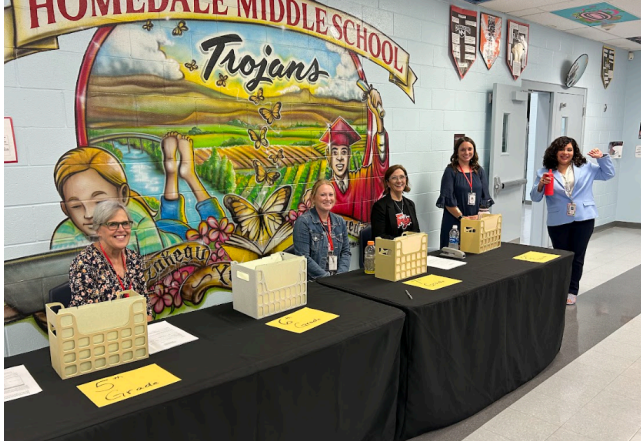
1. Students with D, Fs attend a study hall in 1-2 rooms, Students with A, B, and Cs attend an enriching activity prepared by 1-3 teachers.
  - a. This advisory day should be discussed weekly during collaboration.
  - b. Study Hall - Has to be an independent study. It cannot be a social period.
  - c. Enrichment - Art Project, Cooking, Dodgeball, Kickball, Crocheting



## Registration / Open House Night / Back to School:

HMS has had a very successful start to our year. Both registration and open house night were well attended and operated very smoothly. It has been great to have teachers and students back in the building.

These last few weeks, we have been excited to get students back into the classroom. The teachers have done a very good job with starting relationships and communicating school and classroom expectations. Overall, it has been a very uneventful start to our year.



### Meet the Teacher!

Kelli Aitchison



**Welcome to 8<sup>th</sup> grade MATH!**  
My name is Kelli Aitchison. My family and I live in Wilder and my kids attend Homedale Elementary. I'm excited for my second year here at Homedale Middle School and being involved in this great community! I have a passion for math education and I hope to bring many engaging and fun learning experiences into our 8<sup>th</sup> grade math classroom this year!

**My Experience**  
This will be my 14<sup>th</sup> year of teaching! I spent the majority of my teaching career teaching 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade math in the Caldwell School District.

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Concept**  
This year we will learn...

- Rigid Transformations & Congruence
- Dilations, Similarity & Slope
- Linear Relationships
- Linear Equations & Linear Systems
- Functions & Volume
- Associations in Data
- Exponents & Scientific Notations
- Pythagorean Theorem & Irrational Numbers

**Bell Schedule**  
1<sup>st</sup> period: 7:50-8:54  
2<sup>nd</sup> Period: 8:57-9:54  
3<sup>rd</sup> Period: 9:57-10:54  
4<sup>th</sup> Period: 10:57-11:54  
5<sup>th</sup> Period: 11:57-12:54  
Lunch: 12:54-1:21  
Period 6: 1:24-2:21  
Period 7: 2:24-3:21  
Trojan Time: 3:24-3:49

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**GO TROJANS!**

