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ACADEMIC ASSISTANCE: A GUIDE FOR PARENTS

Middle School Level

What is available for my child who has basic needs?

- Free Breakfast Program
- Guidance Counselor
- Mental Health Counselor
- School Supplies
- Career Development Facilitator

What is available if my child is struggling academically?

- Before/After School Programs
- Computer-Assisted Instruction
- District 56 Academy
- Summer Program

What help is available to parents who speak little English?

- ESOL Teacher

Free Breakfast Program

Breakfast is available for all students regardless of family income at no cost. Applications for Free/Reduced lunch are also available to qualifying students.

Contact Cindy Jacobs, Director for Food Services, at 938-2037.

Guidance Counselor

A counselor is available at Bell Street Middle and District 56 Academy to provide individual, small group, and classroom guidance.

Mental Health Counselor

This onsite program is available at Bell Street Middle but serves District 56 Academy as well. The counselor works directly with the Department of Mental Health.

Contact Kay Cleveland, Director of Special Programs, at 938-2542.

Career Development Facilitator

The career development facilitator works with students to help them explore careers, the schooling required, and high school course selection to meet their goals toward post-secondary education.

School Supplies

School supplies are distributed on an as-needed basis at Bell Street Middle and District 56 Academy.

Contact the guidance counselor at the school.

Before and After School Programs

Offered as funding permits, these programs help students by offering tutorial services.

Contact the principal.

Computer-Assisted Instruction

Computer labs in Bell Street Middle and District 56 Academy provide individualized instruction in reading and math. The computer lessons are self-paced and students are scheduled into the labs one-to-two times a week.

Contact the principal.

District 56 Academy

This program offers small classes that are customized to fit the students' needs. It is housed at MS Bailey.

Contact Dr. Bill Alexander, director, at 938-2568.

Summer Program

Students are invited to attend this program in the summer so that with success, they may enter the high school or the academy.

Contact the principal.

ESOL Teacher

A teacher will provide help to parents of students whose primary language is not English.

Contact Julie Keadle, Director for Learning Services, at 938-2038.

SCHOOL INFORMATION

Bell Street Middle School

Grades 6 - 8

600 Peachtree St., Clinton

833-0807

Josie Kate Haupfear, Principal

Sonya Atkinson, Guidance Counselor—7th & 8th Grades

Nancy Mead, Guidance Counselor—6th Grade

Terri O'Shields, Career Development Facilitator

District Fifty-Six Academy

Grades 6 - 9

625 Elizabeth St., Clinton

938-2566

Bill Alexander, Director

Nancy Mead, Guidance Counselor

Terri O'Shields, BSS Career Development Facilitator

Walter Gary, CHS Career Development Facilitator

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