

**Welcome to  
Ralph J.  
Bunche Middle  
School**



# WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

- *Octavius Harris, Principal*
- *Cassandra Bolding - Business Manager*
- *Cephia Blassingame - 8th Grade*
- *Lovetta Durham-Martin - 7th Grade*
- *Dr. Michael Taylor - 6th Grade*



*When I say Charger,  
you say*

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# KEEPING YOU INFORMED

## Grade Level Teacher Meet and Greet

- 7th grade-Tuesday, August 18th (6pm)
- 8th grade - Wednesday, August 19th (6pm)
- 6th grade- Thursday, August 20th (6pm)

## Bi-Weekly Townhalls

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# AGENDA

- Virtual Learning Expectations
- Virtual Learning Platforms
- Virtual Learning Schedule
- STAR Testing
- Technology Surveys & Distribution Process
- Nutrition and Meal Requests
- Student Support Services
- Special Education Services
- Gifted Services
- Signature Programs (IB and AVID)
- SEL/PBIS
- Closing



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# Virtual Learning Expectations

- Be on time to live “Zoom” sessions daily.
  - Dress appropriately for a “Zoom” classroom.
  - Video is always on w/voice muted.
  - Remain on video throughout the entire lesson.
  - Professional posture; be positioned in a place that allows scholars to type and participate.
  - Select a location that is free from distractions during instructional time.  
**(Use headphones)**
- Be prepared for “cold call” (The teacher may call on you to unmute and answer)
  - Respect “one voice” whether teacher or peer is speaking.
  - Raise a virtual hand when assistance is needed.
  - Remain on task; only have tabs open that assist with instruction.
  - Do your BEST; model Charger P.R.I.D.E daily.

# VIRTUAL LEARNING Expectations

- Bunche Scholars are expected to adhere to ALL classroom expectations.
- Teachers will communicate expectations to parents and students.
- Scholars who cause disruptions will receive a warning first. If the behavior continues, the student will be dismissed.
- Parents will be notified when students are dismissed from the “Live” session.
- Teachers reserve the right to dismiss scholars who do not comply with expectations.
- Extended learning time is available daily for any scholar who needs to make up work.

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# VIRTUAL LEARNING PLATFORMS

## ➤ Google Classroom

- Utilized by **ALL** teachers for providing both instruction, information and assignments

## ➤ Zoom

- Live classes platform.



Amplify learning.

## Additional Learning Tools Include..

- Amplify: Language & Literature
- Apex: Math and Science
- Studies Weekly: 6th & 7th Individuals & Societies
- USA Test Prep: 8th Individuals & Societies



# VIRTUAL LEARNING CURRICULUM

We have one universal, single sign-on for all students that will allow access to all learning platforms.



myBackpack

CLICK HERE TO LOG IN



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# SUGGESTED SCHOOL SUPPLIES

- ★ Computer/Laptop (*Preferably with a stylus*)
- ★ Headphones or Earbuds
- ★ 2-3" Binder
- ★ Notebook Paper
- ★ Pencils and Pens
- ★ Colored pencils or markers
- ★ Ruler



# VIRTUAL LEARNING SCHEDULE

	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>		<b>7<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>		<b>8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE</b>
<b>1<sup>st</sup> Period</b>	9:05 – 9:55		9:05 – 9:55		9:05 – 9:55
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Period</b>	10:05 – 10:55		10:05 – 10:55		10:05 – 10:55* (Connections)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Period</b>	11:05 – 11:55		11:45 – 12:35* (Connections)		11:35 – 12:25
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Period</b>	12:45 – 1:35* (Connections)		1:15 – 2:05		1:10 – 2:00
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Period</b>	2:10 – 3:00		2:15 – 3:05		2:10 – 3:00
<b>LUNCH, BREAKS, ACADEMIC EXTENSION</b>					
<b>Lunch</b>	12:00 – 12:30		11:00 – 11:30		12:30 – 1:00
<b>Break</b>	1:35 – 2:05		12:35 – 1:05		10:55 – 11:25
<b>Academic Extension</b>	3:10-3:40		3:10-3:40		3:10-3:40

# STAR TESTING

	6 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE		7 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE		8 <sup>TH</sup> GRADE
<b>READING</b>					
Wednesday 8/19					9:15 – 10:45
Thursday 8/20			9:15 – 10:45		
Friday 8/21	9:15 – 10:45				
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>					
Tuesday 9/1					9:00 – 10:15
Wednesday 9/2			9:00 – 10:15		
Thursday 9/3	9:00 – 10:15				
<b>MAKE-UPS</b>					
Tuesday 9/8	3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00
Wednesday 9/9	3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00
Thursday 9/10	3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00		3:00 – 4:00

# SIXTH-GRADE TECHNOLOGY DISTRIBUTION

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For **ALL** Grade Levels:

- ❖ Drive through **ONLY**; please remain in your vehicles
- ❖ Technology and required paperwork brought to you
- ❖ You **MUST** wear a mask to be served; staff will also

	Bus Lane/Cafeteria
	10:00 -12:00 and 1:00 - 3:00 p.m.
<b>Mon</b> 8/17	A - H
<b>Tues</b> 8/18	I - P
<b>Wed</b> 8/19	Q - Z

**\*3 - 4 p.m. Make-up Time**



# SEVENTH-GRADE TECHNOLOGY DISTRIBUTION

For **ALL** Grade Levels:

- ❖ Drive through **ONLY**; please remain **in your vehicles**
- ❖ Technology and required paperwork brought to you
- ❖ You **MUST** wear a mask to be served; staff will also

	<b>AUDITORIUM/GYMNASIUM</b>
	<b>10:00 a.m - 4 p.m.</b>
<b>Wed August 19th</b>	<b>ALL 7TH GRADE STUDENTS WHO REPORTED NEEDING TECHNOLOGY</b>

# EIGHTH-GRADE TECHNOLOGY DISTRIBUTION

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	9:00 - 10:00	10:15 - 11:15	11:30 - 12:30	1:15 - 2:15
Monday	Knight	Carter	Brown	Davidson
August				
17th	Lilley	Quinn	Greenlee	Obleton
	Willis	Rosser	Minniefield	Sturgis



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	Lilley	Quinn	Greenlee
	Willis	Rosser	Minniefield
	Obleton	Davidson	Stirgus

**\*Damaged Equipment Day Only**



# NUTRITION AND MEAL REQUESTS

## Community Eligibility Provision (CEP)

- Every student enrolled at Bunche receives free meals.
- Order student meal kits weekly: 5 Breakfast and 5 Lunches
- Vegetarian or Traditional Options
- Meals must be ordered by Monday each week for the following week.
- Parent or guardian must create an account on MySchoolBucks account.
- Log-in on any existing account.
- Additional information and the links to register can be accessed on Bunche's web page tab for Parents & Students then Nutrition.



# STUDENT SUPPORT SERVICES



- ★ SCHOOL COUNSELING
- ★ 504/SST/RTI
- ★ SPECIAL EDUCATION
- ★ GIFTED
- ★ IB
- ★ AVID
- ★ SEL FRIDAYS

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# SCHOOL COUNSELING



**Welcome from the Virtual Counseling Program at  
BMS 2020-2021!**

As one of the two counselors at Bunche Middle School: I am Dr. V. Byrd, serving all 8th grade scholars and half of the 7th grade, along with Mrs. Tracey Fisher, the other school counselor serves all of the 6th grade and the remaining half of the 7th grade.

**In this virtual setting, we will provide support by:**

- ★ interacting with students and parents via email
- ★ telephone and video services through ZOOM
- ★ facilitating SEL services to our students



# SCHOOL COUNSELING



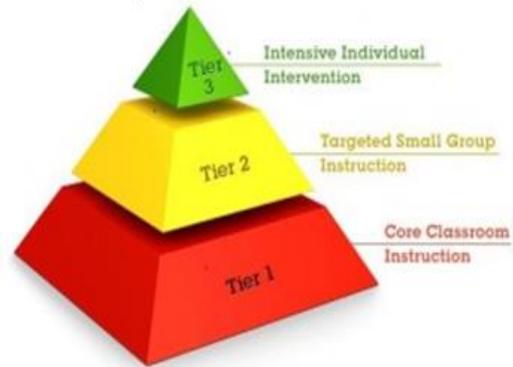
**As professional school counselors, we coordinate academic services , college/career development of learners, social and emotional wellness ,classroom guidance /small groups and mentoring programs.**

**As educational leaders, we advocate for every student to obtain high academics to meet the demands of student learners in the 21st century.**

**We are here to provide you with the best customer service as your child(ren) matriculate through middle school. Visit the Bunche Middle School website for additional resources and helpful tips supporting students and their families.**

**Please feel free to reach out to either of us directly. Our information is located on our website.**

# BMS Office of Student Support



The Bunche Middle School Office of Student Support has two programs that assist students who have and continue to display challenges in the areas of academics and behavior.

## Response to Intervention (RTI)

## Student Support Team (SST)

These programs provide support at escalating levels depending on the amount of support students require.

We also have a Section 504 program that provides assistance for students with documented medical impairments that require additional support.

**For more information:**  
**V. Ross, MTSS Specialist at**  
**[valerie.ross@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:valerie.ross@atlanta.k12.ga.us) or 404-802-6700**



# SPECIAL EDUCATION



The Special Education Department provides specially designed instruction for students with disabilities who have Individualized Education Plans. Each student will have a case manager who helps the student master plan goals.

## Virtual Learning Contingency Plans

- Developed by Case Managers
- Parent Contact – August 14, 2020
- Virtual Plans Emailed – August 21, 2020

# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## Enrollment

- Neighborhood Schools - Cont. plan in place.
- Parent Contact – August 14, 2020.

## New to APS

- Individualized Education Plan
- Eligibility Report
- Psycho evaluation Report
- Mrs. Amos – Registrar (404) 802-6700
- Contact within 48 hours.



# GIFTED SERVICES

How will Virtual Gifted Service be delivered and supported?

- Advanced Content
- Differentiated learning activities via digital learning applications
- Supplemental materials and support via district-provided digital resources
- Peer Grouping and Engagement

How will the student's virtual Gifted experience look like?

- Independent Learning Opportunities
- Differentiated Assignments
- Problem-Based Learning Opportunities
- Virtual Academic Competitions
- Virtual Field trips
- Enrichment Programs (STEAM Carnival, Xanadu)



# GIFTED SERVICES



**Gifted Testing 2020-2021:** Dates and links to online consent and placement forms will be posted on the school website.

**Parent Referral Window:**  
September 1 - 30, 2020

For inquiries, please contact,

Mrs. Marina Hendon at:

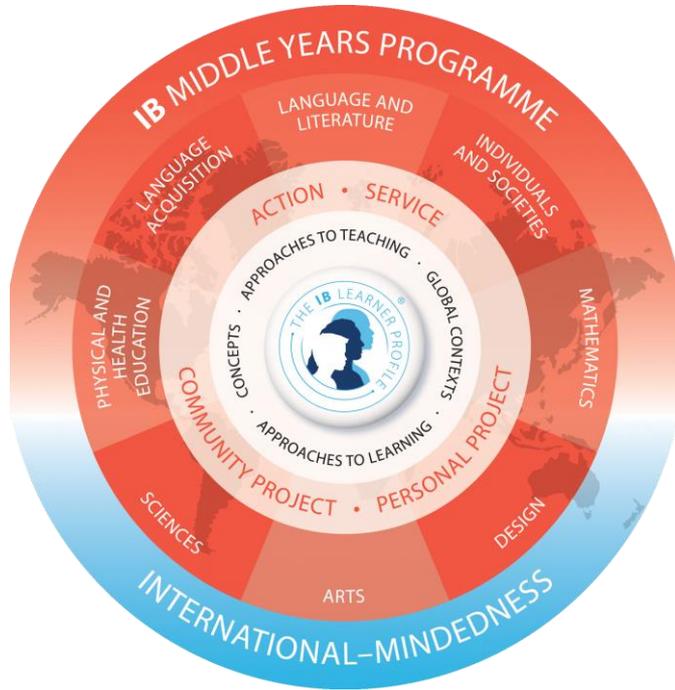
[mahendon@apsk12.org](mailto:mahendon@apsk12.org)

# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE



- The International Baccalaureate (IB) Program is a K-12 international program with a focus on students' intellectual as well as social emotional development
- Our curriculum framework is driven by MYP units which challenge our students to apply what they learn to real world situations.

# INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE



- Grades 6-10
- A whole-school program
- Disciplinary and interdisciplinary instruction
- Inquiry-based: academic challenge and higher-order thinking skills
- Standards-based assessment and reporting
- Focus on holistic learning, intercultural awareness, communication
- For More Info:  
<http://bunchemiddle.wixsite.com/bunchemyp>
- Please follow me on  
Twitter: @APSBuncheIBMYP
- [Kennette.Blackman@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:Kennette.Blackman@atlanta.k12.ga.us)

# AVID PROGRAM

## Bunche Middle School - AVID Certified 1st Year Implementation 2020!!



### What is AVID?

#### ADVANCEMENT VIA INDIVIDUAL DETERMINATION

- AVID is a program for middle- to upper middle- academic students. These students have the potential for honors level and high school advanced course work, but may need to develop the skills necessary to be successful in those rigorous courses.
- AVID strategies are utilized school wide supporting all students.
- Students must maintain 2.8 or higher grade-point average (GPA) throughout the school year. All class grades should be at an 80% or better.

# AVID PROGRAM

## AVID Acceptance Requirements

- Potential AVID scholars may be the first to attend college or a university in their family.
- Potential AVID scholars must complete an application and interview for possible acceptance.

***\*\*I currently have a waiting list for 6th and 7th grade, that you may apply for if interested. There are seats available in 8th grade.***

If you have additional questions, please email:

**Ms. Gretchian Blair - [grblair@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:grblair@atlanta.k12.ga.us)**

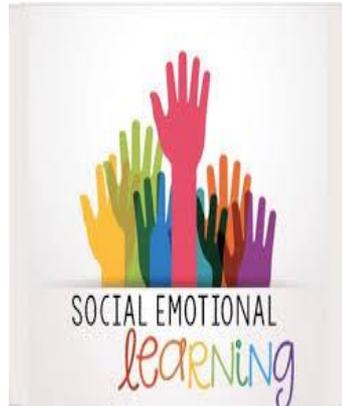
**Mr. Demetrius Cleveland - [dccleaveland@atlanta.k12.ga.us](mailto:dccleaveland@atlanta.k12.ga.us)**



# SEL FRIDAYS



Through the SEL class at Ralph Bunche Middle School our students will learn how to manage their emotions. They will set and achieve positive goals. They will be taught and understand what it means to have empathy for self and others. Overall our students will be able to establish and maintain healthy relationships and make good responsible decisions.



## SEL Lead Team

- **Mrs. Durham-Martin** *7th grade Assistant Principal*
- **Mrs. Fisher** *Counselor*
- **Dr. Byrd** *Counselor*
- **Mrs. Parker** *Behavior Specialist*
- **Ms. Ross** *SST Specialist*
- **Ms. Tucker** *PBIS Coordinator*

# PBIS

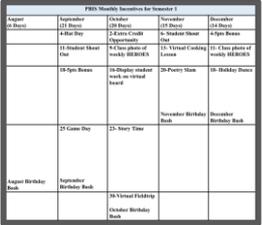
- **What is PBIS?**

Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS) is an evidence-based three-tiered framework to improve and integrate all of the data, systems, and practices affecting student outcomes every day. PBIS creates schools where all students succeed.

- **Why PBIS ?**

To facilitate a positive school culture and climate to ensure teaching and learning for our students, faculty and staff.

## PBIS 3 Step How?

<p><b>1.</b></p>	<p><b>EXPECTATIONS</b></p>	
<p><b>2.</b></p>	<p><b>ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS</b></p>	 <p><a href="http://www.herok12.com">www.herok12.com</a></p>
<p><b>3.</b></p>	<p><b>REWARDS AND CELEBRATIONS</b></p>	

WE



OUR CHARGERS!

PBIS



# FAMILY ENGAGEMENT LIAISON

**My name is Ms. Foster and I am the Family Engagement Liaison at Bunche Middle School.**

**I bring many years of experience in the educational field. It is one of my passions to help build the family, and bridge the gap between home and school.**

**In addition to providing family support, I am also your Parent Portal contact!**



# PARENT PORTAL

The Parent Portal is an easy-to-use, secure communications tool for the district. It enables parents to verify household information, including email, home address and telephone numbers.

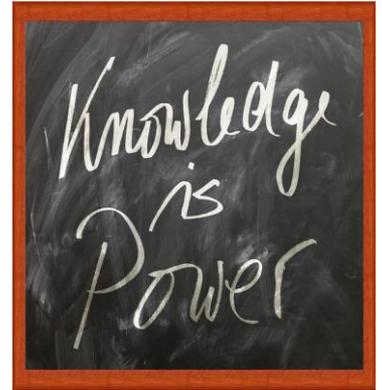
In addition, the PARENT PORTAL allows you to...

- View your son/daughter's schedule
- Check attendance records
  - View grades
- And more...



# PARENT PORTAL ACCESS

- ★ Detailed instructions for establishing your parent portal account can be viewed on our school's website under the "Parents and Students" tab.
- ★ If you have previously established an account, you can simply request your username or password by using the "forgot" feature.



*Should you require additional assistance, please contact me or your school counselor directly.*



