July 21, 2023,

Dear Students and Families,

I hope that everyone had a fun and relaxing summer break. On behalf of the Shiloh Middle School faculty and staff, we welcome you back for the 2023-24 school year. Our cluster theme this year will be “Building Bridges - Connecting Empathy to Excellence”. As a community of schools, we will have a relentless focus on building strong partnerships between staff, students, families, and the community. We will strive daily to model excellence and provide high quality instruction to each and every student.

As we move into the new school year, we also want to take time to celebrate the academic excellence of our incredible students at Shiloh Middle School with a summary of the many accomplishments from the 2022-23 school year (see below).

SY 2022-23 Shiloh Middle School Accomplishments

- 25 Shiloh Middle students advanced to compete in the regional science fair. Shiloh Middle School had three students that advanced to the state science fair and came in first in their category. These three students have been nominated for the 2023 Thermo Fisher Scientific Junior Innovators Challenge. The Thermo Fisher JIC (formerly known as the Broadcom MASTERS) is the premier Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) competition for 6th-8th grade students in the United States. Only the top 10% of middle school projects nationwide are invited to participate in this national competition.
- Shiloh Middle School had nine Dual Language Immersion Spanish students to earn the prestigious Bilingual Global Seal of Literacy. This was the most of any DLI school in the county.
- Our SMS Student Council attended the GASC State Convention and won two state awards for Outstanding Patriotism & Citizenship and Outstanding School Service project.
- Shiloh Mega Mindz First Lego League team won two top awards at the Gwinnett County Regional Tournament for the Core Values Award and the Robot Performance Award. They advanced to the Super Regional FLL Tournament.
- Shiloh Middle School came in 1st place and 3rd place in the soccer Gwinnett Special Olympics Tournament and placed 3rd Overall.

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• Shiloh Middle School's fine arts programs excelled at the county Large Group Performance Evaluations. Orchestra received all superior ratings. Chorus received Superior & Excellent ratings, and Band received all Excellent ratings.
• Shiloh Middle School received a $10,000 Reading is Fundamental Grant to purchase over 2,500 new books to be distributed to families schoolwide.
• Our Junior Leadership Corp (JLC) won 1st place overall in the Gwinnett County JLC Raiders Competition. Our JLC Raiders dominated the competition and won the following awards: 1st Place Overall, 1st Place Tug-of-war Team, 1st Place 2.5 Mile Team Run, 2nd Place Medicine Ball Relay Team, 2nd Place Ruck Sack Relay, 2nd Place Obstacle Course Relay Team, 2nd Place Water Can Relay Team, 3rd Place Sit-up Team Competition.
• Shiloh Middle sent two students to participate in the Georgia HOSA Fall Leadership Conference; Jr. HOSA students presented in the areas of Public Health and Health Career Exploration.
• Shiloh Middle School sent seven students to the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) State Competition where they participated in the areas of: Exploring Economics, Exploring Computer Science, Running an Effective Meeting, Leadership, and Social Media Concepts. One student placed 9th in the state for FBLA Mission & Pledge.
• Junior Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) students attended the Georgia HOSA Fall Leadership events in Athens, Georgia, on November 7-8, 2022.

Our students accomplished so much last year, and I have no doubts that our Generals will continue to shine this year as well. We also anticipate some upgrades/changes for next year:

PLANNED SY 2023-24 SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS

• New ParentSquare communication which merges all school communication into one app.
• University Tutors will be contracted for tiered interventions in math and language arts.
• iReady screener incorporated daily into CQI Generals Time to track and increase student literacy for each and every student.
• Revamped clerical phone tree to allow for more efficient access for parent phone calls to grade level offices and administrators.
• Removing old lockers to add extra space to classrooms
• Reinvigorate the International Baccalaureate (IB) program with training for a smaller “school-within a school” model to provide more focused IB instruction.
• Project Based Learning facilitators training for teachers to aid the development of cross-curricular AKS Project Based Learning Units.
• Shiloh Middle School teachers engaging in the Gifted Endorsement Cohort course.
• Updating murals school-wide in hallways, stairways, gymnasiums, and cafeteria.
• Updating Gym facilities including new bleachers, speakers, whiteboards, and presentation screens for grade level assemblies, concerts, and awards ceremonies.

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• Bi-weekly new student orientation through the Parent Information Center for students that transfer in after the beginning of the school year.

I take great pride in being your principal, and I want you to know that we will work and grow together as one cohesive Shiloh family to provide the level of instruction, support, and interventions that each and every student needs in order to be successful. As we move into this new school year, we will continue to face new opportunities and challenges. We are in this endeavor together, so feedback is always welcome to help us improve each and every day. I’m speaking it into existence - it’s gonna be a good year!

Sincerely,

Chris Bess
Principal
Shiloh Middle School
(770) 736-4559

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## Open House "Meet Your Teachers"

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Additional info will be emailed on 7/26

## Walk-in Registration

- **Monday, July 31**
  - 6th Grade: 9:00 - 11:30 AM
  - 7th Grade: 12:00 - 2:00 PM
  - 8th Grade: 2:30 - 4:30 PM

- **Thursday, July 27**
  - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM

**CLICK HERE** to access GCPS Online Student Registration Information

## SY 2023-24 Transportation Plan

**CLICK HERE** to find out more info about student drop-off and pick-up for car riders & bus information

## Shiloh Spirit Wear

Digital store opens on July 21 and closes on September 6. **CLICK HERE** to access the store.

## Clubs & Activities Fair @ Open House

**CLICK HERE** to access list of Clubs/Activities & Sports

## Free & Reduced Lunch Application

**CLICK HERE** to access the SY 2023-24 application

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Schedule a call or in-person meeting with admin team member as needed: [CLICK HERE]
# Important 2023-24 Dates

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<td>Shiloh Cluster Parent Forum - School Safety &amp; Discipline (@ Shiloh HS)</td>
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<td>6th Grade Fall Awards Ceremony (Shiloh HS Theater)</td>
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<td>Syllen Hill</td>
<td><a href="mailto:syllen.hill@gcpsk12.org">syllen.hill@gcpsk12.org</a></td>
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<td>8th Grade Fall Awards Ceremony (Shiloh HS Theater)</td>
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<td>Carol Williams</td>
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<td>Dr. Syllen Hill</td>
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<td>6th Grade Spring Awards Ceremony (Shiloh HS Gym)</td>
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<td>Dr. Syllen Hill</td>
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*Check the SMS website for assessment and event dates throughout the school year*

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SHILOH MS PARENT NEWSLETTER IS EMAILED HOME EACH FRIDAY @ 4:30 PM
815.ITICOACHES@GCPSK12.ORG

What's going on this week?

Monday, March 6
• A Day Connections
• News Crew 8:15 - 9:20 am
• Track Practice 4:45 - 6:30 pm

Tuesday, March 7
• A Day Connections
• News Crew 8:15 - 9:20 am

Shiloh MS Weekly
March 3, 2023

Celebrating Women's History Month

Coffee with the Principal

This is a time that you can have an open conversation with the principal.

Black History Month Program

Parent/Teacher Conferences

If you were unable to sign up for a Parent/Teacher Conference, email one of your student's teachers. Click here for the staff directory on our website.

1. Click here to sign up for a conference.
2. Select your student's team of teachers.
3. A form will appear. Fill out the form and click submit (you will be required to provide a valid email address).
4. Once you click submit, you will receive an email with a link that will allow you to register.

Please contact Instructional Technology Innovation Coaches @ 815.ITICOACHES@GCPSK12.ORG if you are not receiving this email correspondence each week**

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Please Join Us For
Coffee with Chris

Saturdays from 9am-10am
Shiloh Middle School
Media Center

1st Semester
August 12th
September 9th
October 21st
November 4th
December 2nd

2nd Semester
January 6th
February 3rd
March 2nd
April 13th
May 4th
### Attendance

Regular attendance in school is essential for a quality education. Daily attendance helps students feel more closely associated with their classmates and improves their educational progress. The time missed from class results in loss of valuable educational experiences. Make 100% attendance a goal for this year. We want students in school every day.

State law requires that students between the ages of seven and sixteen attend school and recognizes only the following reasons as legal absences: personal illness, death in the immediate family, recognized religious holidays observed by your faith, absences mandated by governmental agencies, instances where attendance would be hazardous, and service as a Page in the Georgia General Assembly.

In case of any absence from school, a student must bring a written excuse from a parent or guardian stating the reason for the absence. This excuse must be given to the homeroom teacher when the student returns.

### Bus, Car Rider, and Dismissal Procedures

Please see the following links:
- GCPS Transportation & Bus Rules
  - Bus safety is a serious matter, and it will not be compromised. Riding the bus is a privilege. Students will be expected to follow all GCPS Bus rules. Failure to do so may result in loss of bus privileges. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the [GCPS Transportation page](#) and GCPS Bus Rules.
- SY 2023-24 Transportation Pick-up & Drop-off Plan: [CLICK HERE](#)

### Locating Bus Route Information

Your student’s bus run information is available in their student portal for AM and PM bus routes. We will also have bus route information posted on the walls by grade level for Open House. The GCPS Transportation team will have a table at our Open House on Monday, July 31, to answer any additional questions.

### Dress Code

Students are expected to dress in a manner that is supportive of a positive learning environment and exhibits Shiloh P.R.I.D.E. daily. No student shall dress in a way as to distract from the learning process of other students. Learning is our business, we dress for success!

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The following articles of clothing are not to be worn at Shiloh:

- Tank tops, tops that reveal any midriff, fishnet clothing, tights, or visible underclothing. All shirts must have sleeves.
- Skirts, dresses, or shorts shorter than three inches above the kneecap (with or without leggings underneath)
- Clothing such as skirts, pants, shorts, etc. must be worn at the waist. Clothing shall not be poorly fitted, or sagging.
- Pants with rips/holes above the knee must have clothing underneath to cover any skin.
- Clothing that depicts or symbolizes offensive words or designs, drugs (including alcohol and tobacco), violence (blood, death, weapons), sex, or hate groups.
- For safety reasons, slides, flip flops, or shower shoes may not be worn. Crocs and sandals can only be worn if they have a strap on the back, and the strap is being used.
- Headgear of any kind may not be worn in the building, including hats, hoods, doo-rags, ski caps, bandanas, sweatbands, visors, or sunglasses.
- Distracting jewelry such as heavy chains, dog collars, or gang-related jewelry.

Students are not allowed to display clothing or symbols that have been identified by the Gwinnett County Police Task Force as being commonly identified with criminal gangs. Shiloh Middle reserves the right to amend and change the dress code whenever additional items disrupt the learning environment.

Dress Code Violation Procedures
Students who choose to violate the dress code will be sent to the office to call their parents. Once notified, parents will be asked to bring a change of clothes. If parents are unavailable, students may be required to change into SMS Dress for Success shirts and sweatpants. Parents will be notified of the problematic clothing. Repeated violations will result in disciplinary action.

### School Numbers

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<td>(770) 972-3224</td>
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<td>(770) 736-4563</td>
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### School Begins

The first day of school is Wednesday, August 2, 2023.

### School Hours

School Hours - 9:20 AM - 4:05 PM
Building Hours: 8:50 AM - 4:30 PM (Monday - Friday)

### Earliest Arrival Time

Students should not arrive at school until 8:55 AM unless they have a note from a teacher. Students who arrive prior to 8:55 AM will be asked to wait in the cafeteria,

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| **Counselors** | Lead Counselor - Nicole Carrington (770) 736-4569  
6th Grade Counselor - Brittany Johnson - (770) 736-4001  
7th Grade Counselor - Malcolm Crenshaw - (770) 736-4577  
8th Grade Counselor - Sorayel Willoughby - (770) 736-2095 |
|---|---|
| **Parent pick-up/Drop-off** | Parents who choose to transport to or pick up their children after school are asked to abide by the following guidelines set by the GCPD, the health and safety committee of our PTSA, and the SRO for our school cluster:  
- Parents/Drivers must follow the instructions of the Shiloh Middle School staff located in the parent transportation line.  
- Students may not enter or exit a car on Shiloh Road.  
- Parents may not U-turn on Shiloh Road or on school property.  
- Students must not cross lanes to come into the school or enter a car. They must only exit and enter at the curb adjacent to the school.  
- Before School: All students must be dropped off on the Shiloh Middle School campus through the car rider lane. Students must enter through the designated doors.  
- After School: Students may cross to the other side of Shiloh Road ONLY to participate in GCPS sanctioned activities. Students must cross at the official crossing with adult supervision.  
- Parents are asked to avoid pick-up or drop-off anywhere except the Parent transportation line that is on Shiloh Middle property and Shiloh Road.  
- Parents may not park along any curb at Shiloh Middle School after 3:30. |
| **Parent Teacher Student Association** | Parents and teachers are strongly encouraged to join the PTSA. Individual membership is $10.00 and must be paid online. |
| **Student & Parent Information Form** | At Open House (in-person or virtual) parents will be asked to verify and/or provide accurate students/family information such as: address, birth date, phone numbers, name and phone numbers of individuals authorized to check the student out of school, parent/guardian information, work phone numbers, and emergency health information, including medical alerts, physician’s name and phone number, and comments. |
| **Contribution Request** | We will send an email to you with a link to [www.MyPaymentsPlus.com](http://www.MyPaymentsPlus.com) so you can make payments prior to Open House/Registration night. Assistance will be available in the Parent Information Center to help you with this process, or if you prefer to make contributions by cash or check, forms will be available. |
| **Newsletter** | The Shiloh MS Newsletter is sent to parents at their home and/or work email address every Friday afternoon at 4:30 PM. The purpose of this communication is to keep parents informed about school news and events. |

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<th>The GCPS Parent Portal serves as a valuable resource for information about our child and his or her academic career. The Go2Portal can be accessed safely and securely, anytime from anywhere, all you need is a computer with internet access. If you have not done so already, you can sign up during Open House.</th>
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<td>Wednesday (on regular school days) are designated “Help Days”. Teachers will be available to help students’ make-up, catch-up, or review instructional material. Parents must make arrangements to get their child to school. Additional Saturday Help Days will be scheduled throughout the year.</td>
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<td>Contact school registrar Chaynee Perry at <a href="mailto:chaynee.soto@gcpsk12.org">chaynee.soto@gcpsk12.org</a> for questions or information about immunizations, records, school records, registration or withdrawals. Registrar’s office -</td>
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<td>To facilitate a smooth and productive year with your Chromebook, the following guidelines should be adhered to: 1. Ownership and Accountability: The Chromebook and charger you receive are your responsibility for the entire academic year. They should not be lent out to other students. Keep track of your device and charger, and make sure you bring them to school every day. 2. Care and Maintenance: Treat your Chromebook with respect. Handle it with care to prevent any damage. If any issues arise, report them immediately to a teacher. Do not attempt to repair the device yourself. 3. Proper Storage: Your Chromebook should always be stored securely in the bag provided when not in use. Ensure your bag is placed gently on surfaces to avoid damaging the Chromebook inside. Never throw your bag down, especially when your device is inside. 4. Device Safety: Do not walk around school with your device open or unsecured. Always ensure it's safely stored away when moving between classes or in high traffic areas. 5. Usage Policy: Do not take the Chromebook into the lunchroom or any other areas where there's potential for damage or theft. Keep your device and charger secure at all times. If another student attempts to damage your device or take your charger, report it immediately to a staff member. 6. Respect for School Property: This device is a privilege and a crucial part of your learning. Misuse or irresponsible behavior related to your Chromebook will not be tolerated and may result in disciplinary action. The proper care and usage of your Chromebook will not only make your school year more efficient and productive but also ensure the device remains in good condition. Please remember, this is a tool for learning and should be treated with the utmost respect. Stickers/decorations do not get placed on Chromebooks. Lost or damaged</td>
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<td>Regular lunch costs $2.50 - extra milk $.40. Prepayment can be completed online using MyPaymentsPlus.com or during Open House in the cafeteria. Ice cream is sold at lunch. Applications for free and reduced lunch will be sent home with students the first day of school or you may use this link to apply online: <a href="http://gwinnett.schoollunchapp.com">http://gwinnett.schoollunchapp.com</a></td>
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<td>Clinic</td>
<td>The clinic worker will be available to accept medications with the Parent/Guardian Authorization form, and meet with parents at Open House.</td>
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<td>Lockers</td>
<td>There are no student lockers on campus.</td>
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<td>Supply List</td>
<td>See last page of this document for the Shiloh Middle School supply list. Students may also receive a more individualized list from their team of classroom teachers.</td>
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| Electronic Usage | **Cell Phones**  
Student cell phones and all individual technology must be stored in students’ backpacks throughout the school day. Failure to follow this policy may result in the phone being confiscated by an administrator and returned to a parent/guardian only. A behavioral response may be given based on the frequency of phone violations and/or refusing to turn over the phone to an administrator when requested.  
**Headphones/Earbuds:**  
Headphones and earbuds should be used for academic purposes only. These devices should not be worn during transition, in hallways nor in classrooms without permission. |
| GCPS Issued Technology | All students will receive a GCPS issued Chrome book, charging cable, and device sleeve. While content filtering is applied to devices, parents are responsible for monitoring the appropriate use of technology at home. Students in households with limited or no access to the internet can request a hotspot from the local school. Students are expected to use devices following the GCPS Acceptable Use Policy and the Student Conduct Behavior Code. Students should arrive at school each day ready for learning with a fully charged device. Students are expected to bring their chrome book, charging cable, and chrome book sleeve to and from school daily. It is the student’s responsibility to maintain their chrome book/charging cable. |
| Daily Bell Schedule | Our school website calendar will reflect A and B days. [CLICK HERE](#) to access the daily schedule. |

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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

● How can parents provide feedback to school leaders and staff?
  ○ We have a QR Code which links to a Google Form that allows parents to submit feedback to administration at any time. This link can also be used to schedule a phone call, in-person or virtual meeting or email with any member of the administration team. CLICK HERE to access the SMS Admin parent feedback/contact form.

● How does our school work with students who repeatedly act in aggressive, hurtful, or disrespectful ways?
  ○ While we do not tolerate violence or disruptions to the school day, we follow a progressive discipline process which includes restorative discipline procedures, peer mediation, counselor interventions, and due process. Students that receive exclusionary discipline will also complete Navigate 360 lessons which will require them to reflect on decision making.

● Can I visit my student’s classroom during instructional time?
  ○ Parents may visit but only with prior principal approval. Parents may also eat lunch with their child, as long as it does not disturb the school environment. Parents will be seated in a designated area in the cafeteria as determined by school administration and should not bring any additional food and/or treats into the school. Please note: The parent will be seated and may only interact with his or her child. Parents should refrain from bringing gifts and other items such as balloons, flowers, cupcakes, etc. to the school, as these items will not be allowed in the classroom or cafeteria.

● Who do I contact if my child tests positive for COVID-19?
  ○ Please contact our clinic worker at (770) 736-4030 if your child has any symptoms of COVID-19 for guidance.

● How can I tell how well my child is doing in school?
  ○ Check parent portal and email teachers directly. Expectation is a response within 24 hours.

● What opportunities are there for parents to get involved in the school?
  ○ Please use the QR code located at the entrance to the school or CLICK HERE to sign-up for volunteer opportunities. Also, contact our Parent Center for opportunities to volunteer. Shiloh Middle School Parent Center - (770) 736-4003

● How do I sign-up for the Parent Portal?
  ○ CLICK HERE for resources on how to sign-up for GCPS Parent Portal.

● What can I do to help make sure that my child’s school is safe and drug free?
  ○ Talk to your students daily. Encourage them to speak to school administrators about any concerns or information they may know. Check your students belongings consistently, and encourage them to let school administrators know if they see any of these things on campus so that we can deal with them accordingly.
Do I need to register with ParentSquare in order to receive school communication?
○ We will be handing out a one-pager with information on how to register for ParentSquare. We will also offer virtual training for parents through our Title I Parent Information Center throughout the year.

What is the Discipline policy?
○ CLICK HERE for a link to the GCPS Office of Student Discipline. Our Discipline Coordinator, AP Andy Bennett, may be reached at andy.bennett@gcpsk12.org or via phone at (770) 736-4029 for any additional questions.

Where can I access bus transportation information and forms?
○ CLICK HERE for the link to the GCPS Transportation site for additional information.

How can I schedule a meeting with the principal or a school administrator?
○ We have a QR Code (located on school entrances and school website) which links to a Google Form that allows parents to submit feedback to administration at any time. This link can also be used to schedule a phone call, in-person or virtual meeting or email with any member of the administration team. CLICK HERE to access the SMS Admin parent feedback/contact form.

What program(s) does our school use to teach social and emotional skills like conflict resolution, showing understanding and empathy for others, and being aware of emotions?
○ Each and every student will engage in advisement lessons on Fridays in Generals Time. Our advisement lessons will incorporate “Character Strong” lessons. We will also use Navigate 360 lessons. Both lessons can be used in conjunction to provide valuable SEL skills through lessons facilitated for students to engage in various scenarios.

Sources and Guidance Used for Shiloh MS Policies:
○ Gwinnett County Public Schools - LINK
○ Georgia Department of Education - LINK
○ Centers for Disease Control - LINK

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### 2023-24
Shiloh Middle School
General Supply List

**Grade 6:**
- #2 lead pencils
- Personal pencil sharpener
- Pencil pouch
- Cap erasers for pencils
- Pens (Red AND Blue or Black)
- Highlighters
- One box colored pencils
- Dry erase markers (low odor)
- 6 bound composition books
- Notebook paper
- 4 glue sticks
- Ruler
- Scissors
- 1 ream colored or white copy paper
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 boxes of tissue
- 1 hand sanitizer
- 1 Clorox/Lysol wipes

**Grade 7**
- Mechanical pencils
- Pens
- Highlighters
- Sharpie markers
- Colored Pencils
- Ruler
- Scissors
- TI 30XS Calculator
- 4 composition books
- Wide-ruled paper
- 4 glue sticks
- 1 pack dry erase markers
- 1 pack index cards
- 1 ream white copy paper
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 boxes of tissue
- 1 hand sanitizer
- 1 Clorox/Lysol wipes

**Grade 8:**
- #2 Pencils
- Black or Blue Pens
- 4 composition/spiral notebooks
- 1 three-ring binder
- Highlighters
- Colored Pencils
- Scissors
- Glue Sticks
- Notebook paper
- 1 pack dry erase markers
- 1 pack index cards
- 1 pack 4x6 index cards
- 1 ream colored or white copy paper
- 1 roll paper towels
- 2 boxes tissues
- 1 hand sanitizer
- 1 Clorox/Lysol wipes

**Highlighted items are not included in free supplies**

*Every student will receive a Shiloh MS cinch bag w/ supplies for grade level purchased through Title I*

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