

Welcome to Seneca!



Home of the Jaguars!

Introductions

- Ms. Pirog, Principal
- Mr. Buccilli, Assistant Principal
- Mr. Swanson, Assistant Principal
- Ms. Coles, 6th Grade Counselor

About Seneca...

Number of Students

- 1100 total students
- 350 sixth graders

Seneca Mission Statement

- The Seneca community creates a safe environment focused on learning, respect, and kindness.
- We are dedicated to students becoming successful citizens who achieve their highest potential.
 - Learning - Respect - Kindness - Success

JAGS Behavior Expectations

- **J**ust Be Kind
- **A**cademic Focus
- **G**otta Be Responsible
- **S**afe

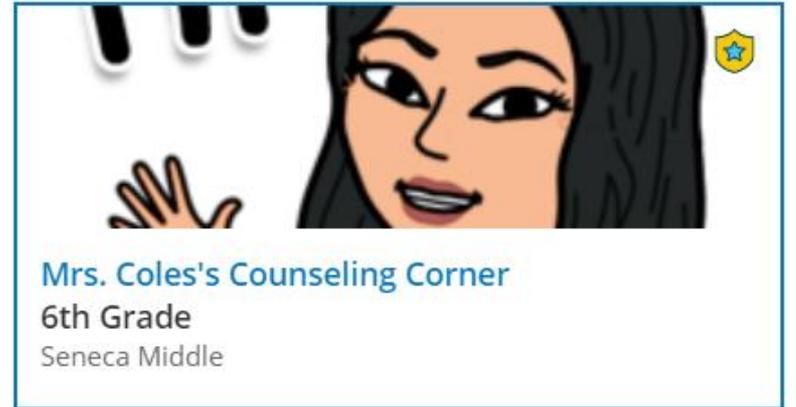
Student Recognition

- Student of the Month
- Jaguar of the Week
- Jaguar Spots



The Role of a Middle School Counselor

- Provide academic, social, and emotional support
- Visit classrooms to deliver counseling lessons
- Assist with student schedules
- Advocate for students
- Help as needed



Hero in the Hallway



- Anti-bullying program
 - Encourage bystanders to stand up and speak up
 - Encourage all students to spread kindness
 - Anonymous reporting of bullying and heroic acts
 - Student pledges



MRS. COLES

Happy Friday! We got to start our morning off with some great news! We have our next batch of Heroes! To be nominated as an official Hero in the Hallway, students have either shown kindness to a classmate in need, intervened in a bullying situation, or let an adult know when help was needed. Congrats and thank you to: Renae, Guilianna, Michael, Xavier, and Jason!!



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The School Day...

Daily Schedule

- 7:15 school opens - enter door #7
- 7:30 students may enter through main office or pod doors
(Report to cafeteria)
- 7:51 students allowed in locker areas
- 7:58 first hour begins
- 2:42 end of day

Daily Schedule

- Six class periods per day
 - 6th grade core classes in the same area (6th grade pod)
 - 6th grade lockers located in 6th grade pod.
- 5 minute passing time
- Daily lunch approx. 30 min.

Four Core Classes

- **Math**
 - Accelerated Math (placement based on test scores)
- **Language Arts**
- **Science**
- **Social Studies**

Two Exploratory Classes

(Three Possible Programs)

Band (year-long class) + 4 Additional Quarter-length Exploratory classes

or

Choir (year-long class) + 4 Additional Quarter-length Exploratory Classes

or

8 Quarter-length Exploratory Classes

- *See materials available on Seneca website for further information on band and choir selections.*
- *Families will make selection on form sent via email this evening.*

Quarter Length Exploratory Classes Offered:

- Success 101
- Phys. Ed
- Art
- Tech. Ed.
- Spanish Exploration
- Poetry
- Fantasy
- Robotics
- Speech
- Math Success
(based on test scores)
- ELA Success
(based on test scores)

Student Technology

- Students will have a district laptop assigned to them at the beginning of the school year.
- Students are responsible for:
 - Bringing the laptop to school daily.
 - Being sure the laptop is charged.
 - Making sure the laptop is not lost or damaged.

Extra-curriculars...



6th Grade Extra-curriculars

- Student Council
 - Lego Robotics
 - Green Team
- Science Olympiad
 - Running Club
- Middle School Cheer
- Middle School Swimming
 - Bowling Club
 - Ski Club
- Youth for Christ
 - Yearbook

Clubs vary from year to year.

7th and 8th Grade Additional Extra-curriculars

- Football
- Volleyball
- Boys' and Girls' Basketball
- Track
- National Junior Honor Society
 - Students with 3.8 GPA invited to apply in 7th grade.
 - Application includes listing examples of community service and leadership

Jaguar Jaunt

- One big school-wide fundraiser
- Spirit wear
- Incentives
- Fun event



Keys to Success...

Supporting Your Child

- Use the *Parent Portal*
- Talk with your child
- Look at your child's school work
- Communicate with teachers
- Call with questions and concerns
- Use the agenda
- Stay involved

School Communication

- Parent Portal
- Seneca/District Website
- School Messenger
- Telephone and email
- Agenda
- Seneca Schoology Page
- Report cards, attendance letters, other letters

Next steps

Check the 6th Grade Page on the Seneca website for information regularly.

Jaguar Days (Schedule Pick Up/Building Tours) is scheduled for August 23 and August 24.

Questions??

- See Information on Seneca's website
- Email:
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