August 2022

Dear Ridgely Middle Families,

In support of our students' successful transition to Grade 6, we invite students to participate in an Early Entry Day program. Baltimore County Public Schools is excited to announce that it will host a half-day from 8:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. "Early Entry Day" on **Thursday, August 25, 2022,** for students entering Grade 6 for the 2022–2023 school year. Students will participate in a wide variety of activities to become more familiar with their school setting prior to the start of school. Students will review their class schedules, visit their lockers, take school tours, and meet all their teachers and the school counselors.

Student locks for lockers will be available for purchase on this day as well as the opening of school. Students are expected to have a lock on their locker to ensure the security of their belongings throughout the school day. The cost for the lock is $7.00 and will be paid by exact amount in cash or a check made out to Ridgely Middle School to their homeroom teacher.

Transportation will be provided for those students who are scheduled to take a bus to school. Those students will be picked up at their assigned bus stops at their regularly scheduled times and will be transported home at the end of the half-day schedule. Our bus stop information will be shared via school messenger and posted on the Ridgely website as soon as it becomes available. Parents who are transporting students via car should use the Lynncrest parking lot for student drop off and pick up at 12:00. A complimentary lunch will be served to all participating students.

The Early Entry Day is for students only and will not replace other school-based student-parent orientation activities. Note that Grade 6 Back to School night will take place on August 31, 2022, from 6:00-8:00 pm at RMS. More information is forthcoming regarding this in-person event.

We are looking forward to welcoming our Grade 6 students on **Thursday, August 25, 2022,** and while not required, we hope your child will take advantage of this opportunity. Should you have any questions regarding Early Entry Day, please contact us at your earliest convenience. The first regular day of school for all students is Monday, August 29, 2022.

Sincerely,

Dr. Seth Barish
Principal