

Parent / Guardian Overview

3/20/2025



Welcome / Introductions



Ms. Kane - Counselor (A-K)

Mr. Fitzpatrick - Counselor (K-Z)

Ms. Rittenger - Registrar

Ms. Stauffer - Assistant Principal

Mr. Abraham - Principal

DLMS Teaching Staff



7th Grade

Christina Williams - ELA
Jessie Belote - ELA
Tonya Pallman - ELA
Megan Argoudelis - Math
Judy Cizauskas - Math
Andrea Pattison - Math
Brooke Visser - Science
Mike Rivers - Science
Shannon Wasielewski - Science
Veronica Van Wagoner - SS
Kerry Fast - SS
Jacob Baker - SS

8th Grade

Amyellen DeBusscher - ELA
Emma Ritz-Smith - ELA
Alyssa Ginzler - ELA
Trevor Rice - Math
Phil Visser - Math
Chad Gorton - Math
Michelle Krentz - Science
Erika Murray - Science
Ben Thompson - Science
Colin Nelson - SS
Katie Grant - SS
Lindsay Veitch - SS

Encore Teachers

Ryan Oostdyk - Choir
Elise Smith - Orchestra
Don Raaymakers - Band
Mike Wilson - STEM
Amber Anderson - Art
Todd Bloemers - Physical Ed.
Taylor Kastens - Phys. Ed. / Health
Kristin Clapp - World Language

Special Education / SCOTS

Jenny Finkbeiner
Morgan Blenkhorn
Stacie Bowden
Jen Amorose
Makayla Roberts
Monica Zegunis



Compare

Rank History for all students at Duncan Lake Middle School

Year	Avg Standard Score	Statewide Rank	Total # Ranked Middle Schools	MI State Percentile	SchoolDigger Rating
2007	83.66	69 th	823	91.6%	★★★★★
2008	85.04	58 th	839	93.1%	★★★★★
2009	82.72	83 rd	847	90.2%	★★★★★
2010	82.59	70 th	851	91.8%	★★★★★
2011	86.47	30 th	858	96.5%	★★★★★
2012	86.17	88 th	900	90.2%	★★★★★
2013	80.37	131 st	919	85.7%	★★★★☆
2014	79.05	148 th	921	83.9%	★★★★☆
2015	86.88	80 th	919	91.3%	★★★★★
2016	89.36	70 th	894	92.2%	★★★★★
2017	77.32	137 th	821	83.3%	★★★★☆
2018	74.87	187 th	838	77.7%	★★★★☆
2019	76.03	145 th	792	81.7%	★★★★☆
2021	88.60	54 th	675	92.0%	★★★★★
2022	94.02	33 rd	776	95.7%	★★★★★
2023	94.27	33 rd	883	96.3%	★★★★★
2024	94.26	38 th	897	95.8%	★★★★★



Transition to DLMS

- **This is our fifth year of DLMS being the 7/8 building**
- **7th grade year differences**
 - Up to 8 different teachers
 - Juggling teaching styles
 - Expectations
 - More Freedom
 - Most difficult year
 - Adolescence
 - Friend changes

Building Overview





INSERT OVERVIEW MAP FOR DROP OFF AND DISMISSAL

DLMS Weekly Schedule



Monday	<u>Tuesday</u>	Wednesday	<u>Thursday</u>	Friday
1st period 7:35 to 8:40	1st period 7:35 to 8:30	1st period 7:35 to 8:40	1st period 7:35 to 8:30	1st period 7:35 to 8:40
2nd period 8:45 to 9:45	2nd period 8:35 to 9:30	2nd period 8:45 to 9:45	2nd period 8:35 to 9:30	2nd period 8:45 to 9:45
3rd period 9:50 to 10:50	3rd period 9:35 to 10:30	3rd period 9:50 to 10:50	3rd period 9:35 to 10:30	3rd period 9:50 to 10:50
4th period 11:20 to 12:20	4th period 11:00 to 11:55	4th period 11:20 to 12:20	4th period 11:00 to 11:55	4th period 11:20 to 12:20
5th period 12:25 to 1:25	SEMINAR 12:00 to 12:30	5th period 12:25 to 1:25	SEMINAR 12:00 to 12:30	5th period 12:25 to 1:25
6th period 1:30 to 2:30	5th period 12:35 to 1:30	6th period 1:30 to 2:30	5th period 12:35 to 1:30	6th period 1:30 to 2:30
	6th period 1:35 - 2:30		6th period 1:35 - 2:30	



Schedule
Continued A/B
Days

- **A/B days allow us to better service your student**
- **At times provide stress to parents**



Example A/B Schedule

Monday (A)	Tuesday (B)
ELA	ELA
Math	Math
Science	Science
Social Studies	Social Studies
Art	Strategies
PE	STEM

Lunches / Seminar



We will have serving lines in the commons and in the cafeteria

- 7th Grade Students lunch on MWF = 10:50 to 11:20
- 7th Grade Students lunch on TTH (Seminar days) = 10:30 to 11:00
- 8th Grade Students lunch on MWF = 11:55 to 12:25
- 8th Grade Students lunch on TTh (Seminar days) = 11:30 to 12:00



Student Code of Conduct

Expectations of Students

- Student Handbook: Link on DLMS webpage
- Cell Phones (Phones off and out of sight upon entry to building until end of the school day)
- No Wireless headphones
- Students are expected to use their lockers (No backpacks during the school day)
- Tardy Policy

Chromebooks

- All students will be assigned a chromebook and computer case
- Please consider insurance for chromebooks

The logo for Duncan Lake Cal is a circular emblem. It features a central illustration of a knight in full armor, including a helmet with a crest, a breastplate, and gauntlets. The knight is depicted in a dynamic, forward-leaning pose. The words "DUNCAN LAKE" are written in a bold, sans-serif font around the top inner edge of the circle, and "Cal" is written in a stylized, cursive script at the bottom. The entire logo is rendered in a dark purple color against a lighter purple background.

Google
Classroom /
PowerSchool

Google Classroom

- Assignments are posted

PowerSchool

- Grades are posted



Athletics

Fall (End of August-October)

Cross Country (6th/7th/8th grades)

Sideline Cheer (7th/8th grades)

Volleyball (7th/8th grades)

Winter I (November-December)

Boys Basketball (7th/8th grades)

Competitive Cheer (7th/8th grades)

Winter II (January-February)

Girls Basketball (7th/8th grades)

Wrestling (6th/7th/8th grades)

Spring (April-May)

Track (7th/8th grades)

Tennis (6th/7th/8th grades)

Athletic Director: Fred Townsend

Assistant Athletic Director: Phil Miedema



Scheduling of Classes

- **Schedule made up of 4 cores hours and 2 encore hours**
- **Goal of encore classes is to provide a well rounded experience**
- **Counselors visited KMIS students to tally course requests**



Encores for Consideration

For next school year, students will need to complete the PS class registration.

OPT-OUT optional:

- **Band/Choir/Orchestra/Jazz
Band/Mini Strike**
- **Spanish 1 or 2 (HS credit) or
Health (HS Credit)**
- **Advanced Speed and Strength,
Unified PE, Links, Student
Council**

**Additional encores are assigned in a
randomize rotation (STEM/PE
requirements $\frac{7}{8}$ school year)**

DLMS PTO



<https://www.facebook.com/groups/dlmspto>

Sign up



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Question and Answers

