



## ROCHAMBEAU MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Rochambeau Parents and Guardians,

The Before-and-After School Program will once again fund an after-school opportunity for students to complete their homework and prepare for upcoming classroom assessments. We are pleased to announce that this program will continue with the assistance of our staff members to provide this academic support for our students.

Our plan is to allow interested students to complete homework after school from 3:00 – 4:30 in the Media Center and computer labs free of charge supervised by one of our staff members. To be clear, this is not a tutoring session but an opportunity for students to complete their nightly homework assignments or prepare for upcoming assessments in a quiet setting.

The “Homework Club” is scheduled to begin on **Monday, September 9<sup>th</sup>, 2019**. We plan to hold sessions on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays until early June. **If your child plans to attend, the expectation is that they complete the attached permission slip form and submit it to the main office by Friday, September 6<sup>th</sup>.** New registrants will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the school year and parents and guardians should submit the permission slip to the main office in advance of their child’s participation. This process is necessary to ensure that we have an accurate record of our student participants so that we can plan accordingly and verify that our parents are able to provide transportation each day.

On the days that Homework Club is offered, students are to arrive to the All-Purpose Room at 3:00 PM and have transportation to pick them up no later than 4:30 PM. If for any reason your child needs to be dismissed prior to 4:30 PM, parents and guardians should adhere to the following pick-up procedures:

- ✚ Provide a signed note for your child indicating their name and the time that they need to be dismissed from Homework Club.
- ✚ Remind your child to show this note to the supervising staff member at the start of Homework Club so that the supervisor knows to dismiss your child at the specified time. Please keep in mind that cell phone use is not permitted during Homework Club.
- ✚ Parents and guardians should remain outside of the building for their children to be dismissed at the specified time.

Our goal is to ensure that all students attending Homework Club are working in an environment conducive to work completion and/or assessment preparation. Work completion is a significant factor in determining any student’s success at both the middle school and high school level. We feel this is a wonderful opportunity that will benefit students and hope you will encourage your child to attend. Rochambeau Middle School staff members will be contacting parents/guardians individually if they feel that a particular student would benefit academically by attending these sessions.

**If school is not in session, cancelled unexpectedly, or closed early due to any reason, Homework Club will also be cancelled.** Homework Club will also not be scheduled on days before holidays, vacations, and/or extended weekends. In the event that there is inclement weather in the forecast immediately following the school day that will create potentially unsafe traveling conditions for our students or staff, a decision to cancel Homework Club will be made before the end of the school day and communicated to families via School Messenger.

**To make this experience meaningful, students must have homework and/or materials with them to prepare for upcoming assessments. Students who consistently show up to Homework Club without appropriate materials will no longer be able to participate.** As with all school events and activities, all school rules and behavioral expectations apply. Student behavioral expectations during Homework Club mirror the expectations that we have during the school day.

If you should have any questions regarding Homework Club, please do not hesitate to contact your child's teacher or counselor directly.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Michael J. Bernardi". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large initial "M".

Michael J. Bernardi