



Welcome to Kappa Pod

As the new school year approaches, we welcome you to Bemidji Middle School and the Kappa Pod community. By working together, we hope each child will have a positive and successful 7th Grade experience.

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Supplies to Give Teachers During the First Week (or bring on orientation night)

- 1 pkg. colored pencils
- 1 pkg. thick colored markers
- 2 boxes of facial tissue
- 1 single theme notebook (to leave in LA room)
- 1 ream of copy paper
- 1 pkg. pencils
- 5 glue sticks
- highlighters
- Optional (Clorox wipes)
- \$10 lab donation to science (Cash or checks made to BMS)
- Safety Glasses (Turn them into Mr. Dahlby; he will store them for you.)

Materials Students Are Expected to Have Each Day

- Buy 2 packages of looseleaf paper, keep some in your math folder and the rest in locker
- 2 pkg. pencils (replenish as needed) - bring a pencil to **EACH** class **EVERY** day
- 4 single-theme notebooks (different colors)
- 4 pocket folders (different colors)
- if IT class is on your schedule, you will need a composition notebook and a pack of pencils

Trapper keepers are not advised in Kappa Pod.

Kappa Pod Remind App - Please sign up

Kappa Pod uses the Remind App to communicate with families. PLEASE SIGN UP for Remind App messages as soon as possible by texting @Kappa2425 to 81010 and/or clicking on this link: <https://www.remind.com/join/kappa2425> - Students 13 or older can also join. This is for announcements only; if you need to contact teachers or have a question, please use the above email addresses.

Daily Work and Announcements Link - Save this link to your device

This link will be updated daily and weekly. It will also be attached to Remind App Announcements. [Kappa Pod Daily Work Grid](#)

Family Access - Parents: Sign up now (if you don't already have an account).

Sign up for Family Access to monitor your child's progress throughout the school year. This portal allows parents and guardians to view information related to their student's school experience (grades, attendance, missing assignments, discipline, food service info., and the ability to get email notifications from the pod). To sign up call (218)333-3100 ext 31134 or go to <http://www.bemidji.k12.mn.us/parent/family-access/>

Contact Information - Parents: Please check your contact info to make sure it is up to date! We will send out pod parent emails when necessary. To ensure you are getting emails and that we have the correct phone numbers to contact you, please call the district office at 218-333-3100 and go to extension 31134. They can help you update emails, phone numbers, and addresses.

Orientation Night - Pencil this date on your calendar...

We hope to meet you at BMS Orientation on August 27th. Be sure to watch for more information about this night - coming soon!

The First Day of 7th Grade - Tuesday, September 3rd.

Until then, enjoy the rest of your summer!

Kappa Pod Teachers