

# TOLLAND MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents and Students:

We hope you have had an exciting school year and we are looking forward to working with you again next year. I would like to make you aware of some important resources available to you here at TMS:

- The school's web-site, accessed at <http://www.tollandmiddleschool.net> has calendars, menus, athletic and club schedules, important notices, and teacher web-sites with weekly updates.
- The "Digital Backpack" – announcements sent out via an e-mail list to which you can subscribe to keep up to date on all the current information and happenings at TMS and the district as a whole.
- Students are provided individual "agenda" booklets. You do not need to purchase an assignment book or calendar for your son or daughter, as one is provided to every student. In addition to a class organizer and calendar, it contains useful information from the school calendar to the Parent and Student handbook, all in one. This "agenda" functions as a daily assignment booklet and a place for home/school communications. Your child should bring this to and from school, and to all classes daily. This system promotes student responsibility and accountability, and helps them learn organizational skills. We thank you for your support of this school wide "agenda" system.

The first day of school for all Tolland students is **Wednesday, September 1, 2010**. This will be a full, regular day. Your child's schedule with homeroom assignment will be mailed home in the middle of August. Open House for Grade 8 is scheduled for **Wednesday, September 14, 2010**. You will receive notification about this in the fall. At that time we will describe our curriculum and instructional programs.

There are still openings in our summer school programs. Please call the office if you want to consider a two or four week program in language arts and/or math for your child. This year, summer school will be conducted **July 6 - 16 and July 19- 30, 2010**.

The summer reading assignment is attached. Please have your child join the summer reading-at-home program at the town library. We have received state recognition as one of the top reading schools in Connecticut. Let's keep up that outstanding effort for summer reading!

Cordially,



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