

Princeton Pride



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Illing Middle School
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Welcome to the 8th Grade

We are Responsible, Respectful, Kind, and Safe

8th Grade Highlights

- Team Activities
- School Dances
- Illing Sports & Clubs
- Boston Freedom Trail
- Science Center
- Washington DC
- High Meadows
- Class Night
- The Greatest Year EVER!!

Tools for Success

Items you will need each and every day

- ~3 Ring Binder (3 Inches)
- ~Plenty of paper
- ~Pencil case for binder
- ~5 subject dividers
- ~3 pocket folders w/3 holes
- ~Pens – BLUE or BLACK ONLY
- ~Pencils
- ~Handheld pencil sharpener
- ~Eraser

Don't Forget

First Day of School

Wednesday

August 28, 2013

Meet Team Princeton Teachers

Your 8th grade team is organized just like last year. You will have 5 academic classes each day along with two specials. Your core academic classes will be held on the second floor 8th grade hallway. Your math teacher, **Mrs. Christina Knickerbocker**, loves doing hands-on activities in her classroom and you will soon learn how much she knows about sports. She is also one of the best dancers on the staff so don't be surprised when you see her at school dances. **Mr. Kevin Mack** teaches both math and language arts. When he is not at Illing, you will find him reading on his sail boat. Ask him about how great it feels

to be out on the open ocean. **Mrs. Elizabeth Reilly** is another one of our team language arts teachers. She loves spending time with her family and you become part of her family the minute you enter her classroom. **Mr. Jeff Naidorf**, also a language arts teacher, joined our staff last year and through his experiences, helps students to appreciate the diversity in our world. You will be reading some awesome novels this year. You will also work hard to improve your writing skills. By the time the year is over, you will be reading and writing better than ever! **Mrs. Laura Barbash** is our team science teacher. It won't take long for you to see that she

loves science and technology and will do whatever it takes to help you to see the wonder of it all, too. When not working with students, you can find her with her beautiful horse, Spotless. She also loves to dance and has been known to bust a move or two at school dances. Your social studies teacher is **Mrs. Seanna Francoeur**. This year, you will be studying American history from the Colonial Era to the Civil War. Mrs. Francoeur helps to plan the 8th grade trip to DC and she is our Team Leader. When not teaching, she loves to spend time with her family and friends. We can't wait to meet you. You are going to have a great

What can you do now to prepare for a successful school year?

Read, read, and read some more

Complete your summer math packets

Watch interesting programs on the Discovery and History Channels

Eat right, get enough sleep and get outside and enjoy the summer.

Unified Arts, Music, World Language and PE help us to develop our interests.

In 8th grade you will ...

- *Explore technology while focusing on construction, transportation and communications
- *Learn about nutrition
- *Prepare delicious food
- *Make gym bags
- *Develop an appreciation of art in our world and create beautiful art work
- *Enhance your knowledge of Spanish or French
- *Exercise your body and play cool games
- *Sing amazing songs, play an instrument, or learn about the magnificent world of music

Specials Rock!!

Team Princeton Expectations

1. Arrive to class on time
2. Be Prepared with your
 - ~agenda
 - ~binder
 - ~pens and pencils
 - ~assignments
3. Always complete your homework
4. Ask for help
5. Attend Homework Club
6. Have a Great Attitude!

