LAKE MIDDLE SCHOOL

📚 **Monday, August 4th – Wednesday, August 6th**
6th Grade Academy | 8:00 AM – 1:00 PM
MANDATORY FOR ALL 6TH GRADE STUDENTS

📝 **Thursday, August 7**
Mandatory In-Person Lake Family Policy Sheets | 9:00 AM – 2:00 PM
All families must sign policy sheets and pay school supply fee to start the year!

🎒 ***Saturday, August 9***

Backpack give away at 10:00-12:00 am on the front lawn at Lake

🚀 **Monday, August 18**
School Launch | 8:45 AM

- Optional breakfast daily at 8:30 AM (enter through cafeteria doors on West side)
- Before school care starts at 8:00 AM (also through cafeteria doors)

🚗 **Drop off and Pick up Reminders** 🚗

- **Street congestion is expected** for the first two weeks.
- Drop off students by **grade-level door**.
    - 6th grade- south side near 18th and Lowell
    - 7th grade- Lake side, West side front lawn
    - 8th grade- North side 19th and Lowell
- For office visits, enter **The Welcome Center** via **North Side doors on 19th & Lowell**. *Please bring ID*
- Plan to arrive by **8:40 AM** to avoid delays.
- If your child is tardy, then will enter through the doors on the North side of the building on 19th and Lowell.

🚪 Morning Care 🚪

Morning Arrival - Students will be welcomed into the building starting at 8:00 am if they have a reserved spot for morning care. Please reserve your spot by sending an email to Tisha_Reyes@dpsk12.net. Students may join for free breakfast at 8:30 in the lunchroom. Between 8:30 and 8:40 am, students will enter through the cafeteria doors. At 8: 45 am, we will allow students to enter through their grade-level doors and students in the cafeteria will be released to go to class**.**

Afternoon Dismissal - When classes are dismissed, students may only remain in the building if they are a part of an after-school club or sport. The building will be cleared at 4:00 pm each day.

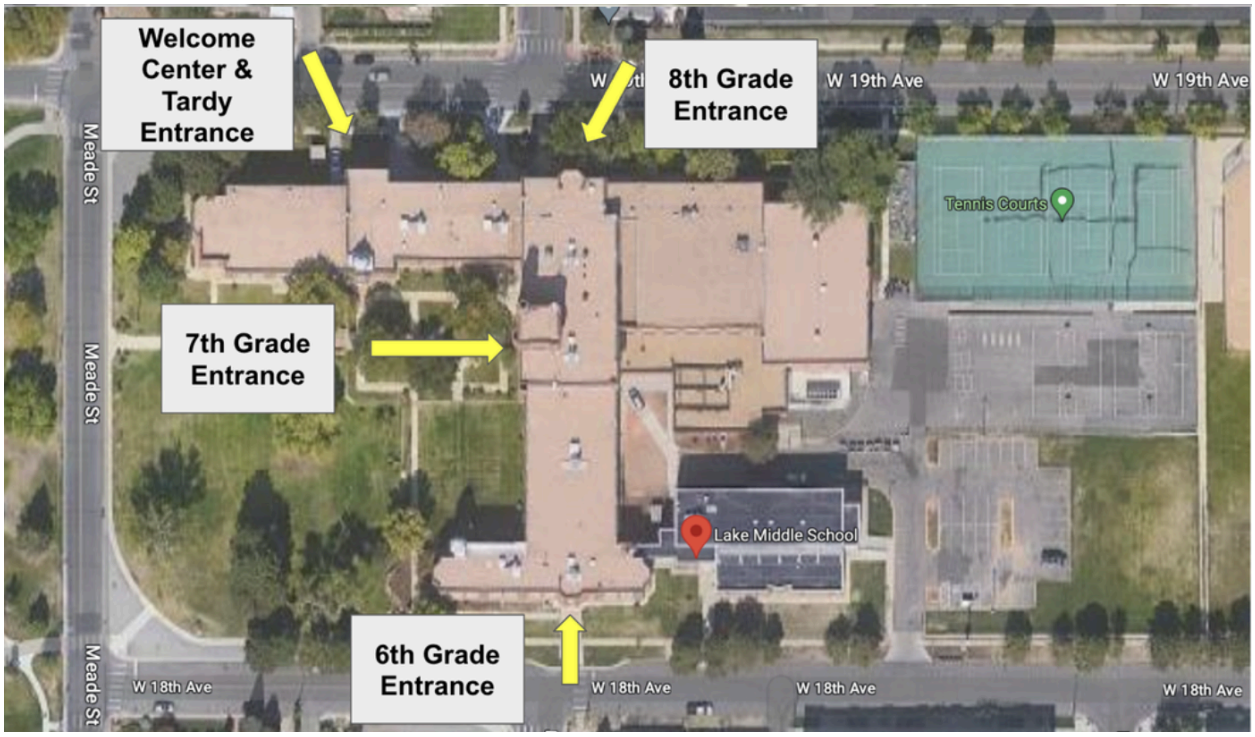
- **Student Athletes-** If a student is participating in a sport with a 4:00 practice or evening game, they may remain on campus after dismissal in the company of an adult. Students returning to campus for evening practices or games will only be able to enter through the gym doors.
- **Late Arrival -** All students who arrive after 8:50 am must stop at the welcome center on 19th and Lowell, sign in and receive a pass to move through the building. We encourage all families to plan on arriving at school no later than 8:40am.
- If a student's attendance indicates they were present at school and left mid-day without signing out for a verified reason (if the student skipped class and left the building), they will not be permitted to return to school until the following day.
- **Appointments & Early Dismissal** - If a student is leaving during the school day, a parent or guardian must communicate directly with a staff member in the main office to excuse their student. All families must sign-out at the main office, prior to leaving the building. Students who do not sign out properly will have truancy noted in their attendance record. Students must be picked up early by 3:30. If you arrive after 3:30 your student will need to wait until dismissal to be released from class.

Building Safety - With around 600 students this school year, we all must be aware of the impact our actions can have on others.

- Students must never prop external doors or assist individuals in entering through side doors. All students, families, and visitors must enter and check in using the welcome entrance on 19th and Lowell.
- Students may not carry any form of medication with them, including over the counter medications, unless they have completed the appropriate self-carry medication forms with our school nurse.
- **Students will not be permitted to wear hoodies up in the building. They can wear a hoodie as long as the hood is not up. Lake MS reserves the right to have students turn their hoodies in to an adult or not wear hoodies at all if they continue to break policy.**
- Students may not wear balaclava masks in the building. Lower-face health-masks are permitted.

- All visitors to Lake Middle School will be required to sign in at the welcome office, present a photo ID, and acquire a visitor's badge.





Important Reminders

- Lake Main Office Hours: 8:00 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday
- School Day: 8:50 a.m. – 3:50 p.m.
- Tardy Bell rings at 8:50 a.m.
- Lake Website: http://lake.dpsk12.org
- Lake Main Line and Attendance Line: 720-424-0260

Contacting Teachers: Call Lake Main Office to leave voicemail or you can email individual teachers by going to http://lake.dpsk12.org/directory.

Mandatory In-Person Lake Enrollment

Lake will have a mandatory in-person Lake enrollment day where ALL families will need to come **Thursday, August 7** between 9:00-2:00 to sign Lake specific policies, pay our school supply fee, register for Denver Health, and complete lunch forms.
Please come in the cafeteria doors facing Sloan's Lake on the West side of the building.

Our Bell Schedule

25-26 Monday, Wednesday-Friday					
6th Grade		**7th Grade**		**8th Grade**	
Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50
Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30	Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30	Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30
Elective	9:33-10:26	CORE	9:33-10:48	CORE	9:33-10:48
Elective	10:29-11:22	CORE	10:51-12:06	CORE	10:51-12:06
Lunch	11:25-11:55	Elective	12:09-1:02	Lunch	12:09-12:39
CORE	11:58-1:13	Lunch	1:05-1:35	CORE	12:42-1:57
CORE	1:16-2:31	Elective	1:38-2:31	Elective	2:00-2:53
CORE	2:34-3:50	CORE	2:34-3:50	Elective	2:56-3:50

25-26 Tuesday Early Release [in homeroom the whole day]					
6th Grade		**7th Grade**		**8th Grade**	
8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival
8:50-9:05	Homeroom	8:50-9:05	Homeroom	8:50-9:05	Homeroom
9:05-9:50	Block A: Edia Math	9:05-9:50	Block A: Edia Math	9:05-9:50	Block A: Edia Math
9:50-10:05	SEL Break	9:50-10:05	SEL Break	9:50-10:05	SEL Break
10:05-10:35	Lunch	10:05-10:50	Block B: iReady	10:05-10:50	Block B: iReady
10:35-11:20	Block B: iReady	10:50-11:20	Lunch	10:50-11:05	SEL Break
11:20-11:35	SEL Break	11:20-11:35	SEL Break	11:05-11:50	Block C: Tier II Differentiated Groups
11:35-12:20	Block C: Tier II Differentiated Groups	11:35-12:20	Block C: Tier II Differentiated Groups	11:50-12:20	Lunch
12:25-12:55	Whole School Assembly	12:25-12:55	Whole School Assembly	12:25-12:55	Whole School Assembly
12:55-1:00	Dismissal	12:55-1:00	Dismissal	12:55-1:00	Dismissal

25-26 Bell Schedule- Tuesday Grade Level Assembly CORE=69 min Elective= 47 minutes					
6th Grade		**7th Grade**		**8th Grade**	
Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50	Arrival	8:45-8:50
Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30	Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30	Homeroom/ Reading Block	8:50-9:30
Elective	9:33-10:20	CORE	9:33-10:42	CORE	9:33-10:42
Elective	10:23-11:10	CORE	10:45-11:54	CORE	10:45-11:54
Lunch	11:13-11:43	Elective	11:57-12:44	Lunch	11:57- 12:27
Assembly	11:43-12:13	Lunch	12:47-1:17	Assembly	12:27-12:57
CORE	12:16-1:25	Assembly	1:17-1:47	CORE	1:00-2:09
CORE	1:28-2:37	Elective	1:50-2:37	Elective	2:12-2:59
CORE	2:40-3:50	CORE	2:40-3:50	Elective	3:02-3:50

Lunch

- Lunch is free to all DPS students for the 24-25 school year. All students must grab a fruit or vegetable when they go through the lunch line. Even though lunch is free, please complete the You Benefit Form linked below. This is super important because it gives us additional funding to ensure we can have the programming that we offer here at Lake.
- **Healthy School Meals for All: Complete the You Benefit! Form at Registration**

  All students in DPS will have access to free healthy, nutritious school meals beginning in the 2024-25 school year thanks to the Healthy School Meals for All program approved by Colorado voters! While meals will be provided for free to all DPS students through Healthy School Meals for All, families will still need to complete a form to ensure DPS gets full access to available federal funding.

  What this means for families:
  - Please continue to fill out the You Benefit! form (formerly referred to as the Meals Application). **We ask all DPS families to please complete the You Benefit! form during registration for the 2025-2026 school year.** By completing the form, you will help us access all available funds to cover the cost of meals, and other nutritional programs for students.
  - **Families who fill out the You Benefit! form may qualify to receive discounted school fees, class materials, bus passes, utilities support and more!**
  - All household income information provided through this form is strictly confidential and protected by law. **Only one form is required for all children in the household**. Immigration, migrant, citizenship or refugee status is not required when completing the form.
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  Learn more about the Healthy School Meals for All program in a short video in English and Spanish, this flier (Spanish is on page 2), or by visiting the Healthy School Meals for All website.
- The cafeteria, blacktop, and field will be all be spaces for students to use during lunch
- Students may not utilize food delivery services is during lunch.



LakeWelcomeCenter

This center is located on the 19th and Lowell Blvd. There is street parking available on this side of the building and it is ADA accessible. **Additionally, this is the most secure entrance in the building so we ask all visitors and late students to enter in this door to ensure we are able to provide a safe and welcoming environment for our students.**

Cell/MobilePhonePolicy



Cell/Mobile phones and other electronic devices (i.e. iPods /MP3 players, tablets, earbuds, smart watches, etc.) are not permitted at school. In order to prioritize learning and promote a healthy and safe school environment, phones will not be allowed during school hours. If your child

needs a cellphone for after-school hours, then students are required to turn their cellphone into an adult during homeroom upon arrival. **If an electronic device is seen or heard, it will be confiscated and a parent will be required to pick it up.** The school is not responsible for any lost, stolen, or confiscated electronic devices. In case of emergency, a phone is available for student use. Additionally, we will be teaching and encouraging students to email/google chat their parents updates and important information through their DPS gmail account.

LakeHoodiePolicy



Students are allowed to wear hoodies to school, but are **not allowed** to wear hoods up while inside the school building. We do allow students to wear hats and beanies instead. Lake MS reserves the right to have students turn their hoodies in to an adult or not wear hoodies at all if they continue to break policy. Please reach out if you have any questions or concerns!

DenverHealth



Denver Health

Denver Health Pediatrics at Denver Public Schools runs a School-based Health Center on campus at Lake Middle School. This is a great resource for students and any family member that attends a DPS school**. All services are free**, and include:

- Well child/well adolescent checks, which meet the requirements of school, sports, camp and employment physicals
- Prescriptions, medications, and routine lab tests
- Asthma/Allergy Plans for School
- Immunizations
- Care for chronic conditions like asthma and depression

- Care for acute injury and illness
- Reproductive health services including pregnancy testing and birth control evaluation, dispensing and management
- PCR Testing and treatment for COVID-19, flu, RSV And Strep Throat.
- Testing and treatment for sexually transmitted infections
- Mental health and substance use counseling
- Psychiatry
- Parent and child health education

**** Call today to schedule 720-424-0281****

There are two ways to sign the consent form so your child can be seen at one of our 19 School-based Health Centers - by paper or online! Get your consent forms in today so your student can be a healthy learner from day one of the 2025-2026 school year.
Visit the clinic today to pick up a paper consent form, or click the link to fill out an online consent: [Pediatric E-Consent Form | School-Based Health Centers | Denver Health]

LakeMSSchoolSupplies



$30 Dollar Supply Fee

We use this money to buy notebooks, folders, binders, markers, antibacterial wipes, art supplies, etc. Students can bring cash (no checks) to their homeroom teacher or to the main office.

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Pencils

Students need to bring their own pencils to school. We will be providing them.

LakeMiddleSchoolAthletics

Middle School Programming Calendar

Middle School programming for DPS Athletics will follow the calendar below for the 2025-2026 school year and registration will open in early August. Please review the calendar as there has been an adjustment from previous years.

2025-2026 Sports

- Early Fall Season (Girls Soccer)
- Late Fall Season (Flag Football)
- Winter Season (Boys & Girls Volleyball)
- Early Spring Season (Boys & Girls Basketball)
- Spring Season (Boys Soccer)

Arbiter Student Registration

Families will register their students for each sport on Arbiter Registration this year, where current physicals will be uploaded, emergency contact information can be updated, and consent can be provided for participation.

Families will create a login and profile, so they are able to register their student(s) for several sports throughout the year. They will only need to create one family account if they have multiple students to register. In order to process the registration, the pay to play fee must be paid through the arbiter registration. We recommend that families "continue as guest" when prompted on the MSB website. This will allow for credit cards to be used and the pay to play fee to be paid directly.

We will send out more communication to Athletic Directors on sending out their specific school registration link and how to check their registrations. **No Cash or Check will be accepted.**

Student Physicals

- A completed Physical Examination and Consent must be current and on file with the Director of Athletics for your students school. The form above is highly recommended by the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP).
- Denver Health's School-based Health Centers (SBHC) form a large network of 19 health centers located inside Denver Public School (DPS) campuses that provide medical, mental health, dental and behavioral health care to any DPS student and sibling(s), including children enrolled in DPS-affiliated Early

Childhood Education programs at no charge to families. We also offer health education and family planning, as well as insurance enrollment and advising services.

Attendance



Knight students are expected to be at school every day, on time. **Our goal is for all students to have 95% attendance.** A student can miss up to 8 sick days throughout the year and still meet this attendance goal! **The truancy process will begin after 10 absences even if they are marked as excused absences.**
Guardians have two options for reported absences:

1. Call the main office attendance line 720-424-0260
2. Guardians of DPS students must have an active DPS Parent Portal account to use this new feature. Visit https://myportal.dpsk12.org/ to sign up, or to check that your account is active and ready. Click here to learn all the steps.

Instrucciones en Español DPS - Online Absence Request_SP.pdf

🗓️ComingUp!

Event Information

Back to School Night

Come join us for our Annual Back to School Night! You will get to meet the teachers, a presentation from the principal, free food, games, and more!
When?

Wednesday, Sep 3, 2025, 05:00 PM

Where?

1820 Lowell Boulevard, Denver, CO, USA

CollaborativeSchoolCommitteeInterest



If you are interested in serving on the Collaborative School Committee for the 25-26 school year, please submit a written self-nomination to the Interim Principal Amy Green. You can submit your nomination through email to agreen@dpsk12.net or by call the front office at 720-424-0260. This committee of students, parents, and staff meets monthly to provide strategic direction in support of our mission and vision as stated in our Unified Improvement Plan. We need your voice in this committee. Our first meeting is September 11th at 9:00 am.

Reminders

IMPORTANT DATES 📆

August 26th: Early Release Day (dismissal at 1:00)
September 1st- Labor Day
September 3rd- Back to School Night 5-7
September 9th: Early Release Day (dismissal at 1:00)

September 11th- Coffee with the Principal 9am (CSC and PTO Kick Off)
September 23rd- Lake Legacy Day (Early Release Day for Students- 1:00 Dismissal)
September 22nd- Planning Day- NO school for students

StudentSchedules

All students will get their schedules on the first day in a paper copy! They should still enter their grade-level door and we will be there ready to support them!

We will changes schedules for the following reasons.

1. A change in a student's IEP or MLL needs
2. A student is missing a core class
3. A student has the same class twice in the same semester

If you have scheduling questions or need to request a schedule change for your student, please reach out to the following people:

- **All Grades:** Ms. Buch (carly_buch@dpsk12.net)