

# September 13<sup>th</sup>-September 17<sup>th</sup>

## Hardin Middle School

### MEET THE STAFF



Bonjour! I'm Ms. Giger. I teach World Languages and French 1. This is my 17th year teaching French and my 15th year at Hardin, and I'm a third-generation teacher like my mom and grandma before me. Teaching is my dream job and I absolutely love getting to know my students and learning with them every day. Fun fact: I'm currently doing the 100 Day Dress Challenge where I will wear the same dress (pictured) for 100 days in a row. I decided to do it because I wanted to simplify my life. I can wash it whenever I want or need to, but because it's made of Merino wool, it doesn't retain smells, wrinkles, and pet hair doesn't cling to it. So far I'm enjoying making fewer decisions about what to wear and spending less time doing laundry which gives me more time and energy to spend with my husband and two kids.

My name is Breanne McBride. I teach 7th and 8th grade drama! I have been teaching for 14 years. My family and I live in O'Fallon. I have two kids. Mollie is 10 and Jack is 9. I coach All Star competitive cheerleading at Cheer St. Louis. For fun I enjoy watching movies, walking, working out and spending time with my family!



### UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>  
eSports-Room 152B  
Color Guard-Commons  
Math Tutoring-Room 108  
NJHS-MEMBERS ONLY

Wednesday, September 15<sup>th</sup>  
ELA Tutoring-Room 252  
eSports-Room 152B  
Yearbook-Room 121

Thursday, September 16<sup>th</sup>  
eSports-Room 152B

KINDNESS IS FREE  
SPRINKLE  
THAT STUFF  
EVERYWHERE

## PHONES

Cell phones are not to be out during the school day. Once the bell rings at 7:20am, they **must** be silenced/turned off and put away.

The Student Handbook & District Code of Conduct Manual states the following on page 41 for failure to turn off and put away phones:

**FIRST OFFENSE:** Phone confiscated returned to parent/student. Parent contacted by staff member that confiscated phone. Phone turned in and out of front office for 10 days.

**SECOND OFFENSE:** Phone confiscated returned to parent and possible detentions. Parent contacted by staff member that confiscated phone. Phone turned in and out of office for 30 days.

**REPEATED OFFENSES:** Phone confiscated returned to parent and possible detentions up to 3 days ISS. Phone turned in and out of front office for up to remainder of year.



## DRESS CODE

(found on page 20 of The Student Handbook & District Code of Conduct Manual)

Students must dress appropriately for school. Clothing/attired should be conducive to an educational environment and should not be disruptive of school operations and the educational process.

- Pajamas/pajama pants are not considered school appropriate.
- Clothing must cover the front and the back of the student (backless tops, spaghetti straps, halter tops, and bare midriff, short shorts, as well as clothing that does not sufficiently cover the body are unacceptable at school).
- Footwear must be worn. Slippers are not considered school appropriate.
- Caps, hats, hoods and other head coverings (at the discretion of the principal) may not be worn or carried during the school day.
- Clothing which promotes the illegal or commercial use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco/nicotine products, gun/weapon paraphernalia and/or that includes sexual innuendo is not permitted.
- Gang related clothing may not be worn at school.
- Anything this is disruptive or interrupts the operation of the school day shall not be permitted.

Dress code violations (found on page 42):

**FIRST OFFENSE:** Parent contact and correction of violation

**SECOND OFFENSE:** Parent contact and correction of violation and possible detentions

**REPEATED OFFENSES:** Parent contact and correction of violated and possible detentions up to 3 days of ISS.

## Calling all 8th Graders!

Anyone interested in going on a trip of a lifetime to Washington D.C. and Philadelphia in the summer of 2022? There will be an informational parent meeting on Wednesday Sept 22nd at 6:30pm through zoom. If you are unable to attend the meeting but would like more information, please email Erin Strein at [estrein@stcharlessd.org](mailto:estrein@stcharlessd.org).

Washington D.C/Philadelphia Zoom Meeting

<https://stcharlessd.zoom.us/j/97371750146?pwd=andOTEVtN0JaeFMzeEZWNTB3aHNnZz09>

Meeting ID: 973 7175 0146

Passcode: 195748

## LC NEWS

If you plan to read an upper grade (UG) book this year, make sure you turn your permission form into your ELA teacher.

## LUNCH PIN

LEARN IT!

## FREE BREAKFAST AND LUNCH

Breakfast and lunch are available to all students under 18. A la carte items are available for purchase.

## OUTSIDE FOOD

No outside food deliveries (fast food, door dash, etc.) are allowed in the building. Sack lunch from home is allowed. If you forgot your lunch, the district is providing free lunch options. **DO NOT ASK YOUR PARENTS TO DROP FOOD OFF FOR YOU.**

**PARENTS, PLEASE DO NOT BRING BIRTHDAY TREATS UP FOR YOUR STUDENTS.**

## WATER BOTTLES AND MASKS

Bring one each day! **MAKE SURE TO WEAR YOUR MASKS PROPERLY!**



## NURSE'S NOTE

If you are not feeling well or need medication, please make sure you get a pass to go to the nurse first. Do **NOT** text or call your parents to ask them to bring you medication or pick you up without checking with the nurse.

## BUS PASSES

**NO** bus passes will be issued this year. All students must ride their own assigned bus, plus get on and off at their assigned stop. There will be **NO** exceptions.



## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

**eSports:** Are you new to gaming? Are you already a gamer? Come and join us as we participate in esports. **We have 12 seats available** on **Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays**. Our new esports room (152b) should be open and ready to use. Hope to see you there! Coaches are: Mr. Gittemeier, Mrs. Stahlschmidt, Mrs. Dirigo, and Mrs. Buchanan

**Math Tutoring:** Math 8 or Algebra students, bring any material you need assistance with, or a specific lesson that you need further practice on! Math Tutoring will run in Ms. Oberg's room 108 by either Ms. Jackson or Ms. Oberg.

**Yearbook Club:** Come help choose a theme, take photos, and design layouts for the 2021-2022 yearbook. Let's make this Hardin's best yearbook ever! We will meet on **Wednesday afternoons in room 121**.

**ELA Tutoring:** Students needing help with ELA assignments or reading come to Mrs. Arnold's room on **Wednesdays**.

**Color Guard Club:** Looking for a new club to join? Love music and being active? Want to meet new friends and learn cool new tricks? Don't play an instrument but interested in marching band and going on trips in high school? Color Guard is the club for you! **Tuesdays after school 2:20-3:20** If interested see Mr. Collier in room 150 (the band room) or send an email to [jecollier@stcharlessd.org](mailto:jecollier@stcharlessd.org). No color guard, band, or music experience necessary.

**NJHS:** The National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) elevates a school's commitment to the values of scholarship, service, leadership, character, and citizenship. These five pillars have been associated with membership in the organization since its inception in 1929. These five main purposes have guided chapters of NJHS from the beginning: to create enthusiasm for scholarship; to stimulate a desire to render service; to promote leadership; to encourage responsible citizenship; and to develop character in the students of secondary schools. These purposes also translate into the criteria used for membership selection in each local chapter.

Today, it is estimated that more than one million students participate in NJHS activities. NJHS chapters are found in all 50 states, US Territories, and around the world . Chapter membership not only recognizes students for their accomplishments but challenges them to develop further through active involvement in school activities and community service.

As such, NJHS chapters and students are in schools that care not only about student achievement, but also community engagement. NJHS students and their peers volunteer in their communities at the highest rates and make connecting with and serving within the community a priority.

**THIS IS A MEMBERS ONLY AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITY. MEMBERS WILL RECEIVE INFORMATION SOON AND MEETINGS WILL BEGIN TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>.**