



Maumee City Schools
Gateway Middle School

6th Grade Handbook



As 6th grade teachers we believe:

Instruction, guidance, and inspiration will help each of our students fulfill their potential.

In providing an orderly, safe climate conducive to teaching and learning.

In integrating the curriculum to facilitate connections between the disciplines.

Communication between and among students, teachers, staff, and parents is vital to a healthy school atmosphere.

The following guidelines/policies are specific to the sixth grade. They are in compliance to the list that is found in the student agenda book. Please refer to both as needed.

Homework Policy:

- Important part of learning process directly connected to classroom instruction
- Due the next day unless otherwise notified by classroom teacher
- Late or missing may result in a reduction of points or a zero
- Expected to be completed in a neat and legible fashion in format assigned by the teacher

Sixth grade students who consistently complete their homework on time will be eligible for a variety of awards intended to reinforce positive academic behavior.

Detentions:

Detentions may be given as a consequence for those behaviors detrimental to the learning process.

Detentions could be served before or after school, or possibly during lunch at the teachers' discretion. Parents will be notified in a timely fashion for those detentions that would require transportation outside of the daily schedule.

Tardies

Please be aware that the Gateway staff is very sympathetic to sixth graders still "finding their way" during the first weeks of the school year. The policies listed below will not go into effect until students have been given a reasonable opportunity to orient themselves to their new surroundings and schedules.

The classroom teacher for may give a tardy for:

- arriving past the bell
- unprepared for class

3 accumulated tardies may result in a team detention.

Class Supplies

Students should have the supplies that were on the supply list given out before school started. They should be replenished as necessary. Pencils are always in high demand. Please be careful to purchase the correct calculator as described on the supply list.

Cell phone/Electronics

Cellular/electronic devices are to be kept turned off and stored in the student's locker upon arrival at school each day.

Communication

Here are some of the many methods of monitoring your child's performance while he or she is a student here at Gateway:

Agenda Book

Weekly email alerts regarding information from each teacher

Telephone

Email a specific teacher

Arranging to attend a team meeting

Mid-term progress reports

Powerschool online gradebook

Team web pages:

Team Pinnacle- [Teampinnacle.weebly.com](http://teampinnacle.weebly.com)

Team Intrepid- <http://maumeek12intrepid.weebly.com>

Power School

You can view your child's grades, as well as any missing assignments, electronically via Power School online. Please address any questions regarding your child's performance directly with the classroom teacher. Office will distribute the password the first week of school, along with a directions sheet.

Please make sure to check Power School on a regular basis. If you have an immediate question, contact the individual teacher via email or voice mail to leave them a message. Messages are usually answered within 1-2 days.

Teacher Emails

Team Pinnacle

Mrs. Ripmaster ELA (Team Leader)	jripmaster@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Taborn Reading	btabor@maumeek12.org
Miss Stevens- Social Studies	lstevens@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Prucnal- Science	lprucnal@maumeek12.org
Mr. Rominski- Math	crominski@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Taylor – Intervention Specialist	ataylor@maumeek12.org

Team Intrepid

Mr. Slembariski – Soc. Studies (Team Leader)	kslembariski@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Kleinfelter - Reading	jkleinfelter@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Muczynski - ELA	kmuczynski@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Stratton - Math	jstratton@maumeek12.org
Mr. Weigman - Science	wweigman@maumeek12.org
Mrs. Miller - Intervention Specialist	mmiller@maumeek12.org

After School Activities

Gateway offers a wide variety of after school activities. We strongly encourage your child to participate in at least one.

Information regarding these activities will be conveyed through the daily announcements, as well as online on the Gateway Middle School website. www.maumee.k12.oh.us/gatewayms. **There is a link on the school web page.**

Dress Code

The dress code in its entirety can be found in the student agenda book. This dress code will be enforced. Please refer to it if you have a question as to what is allowed concerning student attire. We do recommend that your child keep a dress code appropriate sweatshirt or fleece in their locker.