



**WELCOME TO
ANDERSON MIDDLE
SCHOOL!**

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Our parents, teachers and students compiled a list of Survival Tips for 6th graders. As your PTSA, we are always here to help, support, and advocate for our students, staff, parents and school. Get involved and be proud to be a Stallion!

SURVIVAL GUIDE FOR 6TH GRADE PARENTS AND STUDENTS

1. **Show no fear!** If you're afraid of middle school, your child will be too.
2. Know your child's teachers, principals, and guidance counselor; and how you can reach them.
3. **Get involved!** Join the PTSA and come to the PTSA meetings & **Like our AMS PTSA Facebook page** [<https://www.facebook.com/AndersonMSPTSA>]
4. **Sign up to volunteer!** You can do this online under Volunteer Services @ http://www.martinschools.org/pages/Martin_County_School_District
5. **Check out the school website for LOTS of helpful information**, such as the morning news announcements are posted every day! [<http://dlams.martinschools.org/pages/dlams>]
6. Attend AMS sporting events!
7. **Show your school spirit! Buy an AMS t-shirt, students can wear them on Fridays!**
8. **Check out the Stallion Store!** Open every Thursday at lunch; we have lots of cool stuff & school supplies!
9. Set up a meal account for lunches; automatic payments are a great thing if your child won't break the bank. <https://www.k12paymentcenter.com>
10. Help your child be organized and stay organized throughout the year.
11. **Set up a FOCUS account & check it weekly!**
<https://martin.focusschoolsoftware.com/focus/index.php>
12. Buy at least 2 sets of gym clothes (so you can switch for washing).
13. The bus schedule can be unpredictable sometimes due to unforeseen circumstances; call the school if you're worried about your child running late.
14. Car line may look long, but it goes very smoothly. **Make sure to pull all the way up.**
15. Middle schoolers need our attention. Make sure your listening to even the things they don't say. Know who their friends are, who they are with and what they are doing.
16. Help your child find their talent. Having an interest will keep them focused on the right things and keep them out of trouble.
17. Don't believe everything you hear about what happens in middle school, A LOT of what is said isn't true, so unless you see it, don't repeat it. If your concerned, then contact an administrator who can verify whether or not it's true.
18. Enjoy the moment because time flies! It won't be long before our middle schoolers are high schoolers.

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