

## General Information 2016-2017

**Hopkinton Middle School**  
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### **School Hours:**

7:25 AM – 1:50 PM

### **Early Release Days:**

On early release days, students will be released at 11:25 a.m.  
No school lunches will be served.

### **Early Dismissal Days:**

On early dismissal days, students will be dismissed at 10:45 a.m.  
No school lunches will be served.

### **Contact Information:**

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**District Website Address:** Go to [www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us](http://www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us) and then click on Middle School for more information regarding important news and events, key documents and links including the MS Student Handbook and Program of Studies, summer reading, morning announcements (click the Parent link), etc.

**Important Dates:** Orientation for incoming 6<sup>th</sup> graders and their parents and for new students (all grades) will be held during the month of August 2016. As the date approaches, we will be posting more detailed information on our website. The 6<sup>th</sup> grade Nature's Classroom trip will be held during the week of October 25-28, 2016.

**Busing Information:** Please check the Hopkinton Public Schools website for updated information on our transportation policy.

**Parent Communication:** In our ongoing efforts to go "green", yearly progress reports and report cards will be available to parents for viewing on iPASS. If you have not done so already, please make sure you sign up for iPASS. There is a link on the Middle School webpage with instructions. If you do not have an iPASS parent account yet, apply for one now! To do so, log on to the Hopkinton School District website: [www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us](http://www.hopkinton.k12.ma.us), highlight the parent tab on the homepage, and select "iPASS Account Application." There is also an "iPASS Account Tutorial" button to guide you through the process. Fill out the necessary information for ALL of your children attending Hopkinton Public Schools and make sure to write down your username and password for future use after you apply. Additionally, The Hopkinton Public Schools Listserv is an electronic newsletter delivered via an email. **Parents must register** for the listserv on the district website: <http://hopkinton.schoolwires.net/emailcommunication>. The school department is committed to keeping these lists confidential.

**Entrance Requirements:** According to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health, all children who are newly enrolled in the Hopkinton Middle school need to be properly immunized. They also require an updated physical exam. These regulations are designed to prevent the illness and disruptions caused by diseases. The Department of Public Health supports a “no shots-no entry” policy for children attending Hopkinton Public Schools. The minimum requirement for entry is as follows and must be provided to the school prior to entry for review by the school nurse:

- **Tetanus booster (if more than five years has elapsed since last booster)**
- **2 doses of MMR (measles, mumps, rubella)**
- **3 doses of polio**
- **3 doses of Heb B**
- **1 dose of varicella (chickenpox) or physician-certified history of chickenpox disease**