

Sabin Middle School Newsletter

Hurrah!

Welcome **Grade 7 Class of 2024 and Grade 8 Class of 2023 to the New School Year!**

We are excited for everyone to be back! We know we've been having quite a few challenging years, so we are more than excited to get back to some normalcy at school!

Upcoming Events:

- **First Day of School**
-August 22nd
- **Labor Day - No School**
-September 5
- **Virtual Meet and Greet with Parents for Open House**
- September 1st
6:00-6:30 pm (Google Meet)
- **Progress Reports for Q1** (after the 1st 5 Weeks)
- October 1st
- **Indigenous People's Day - No School**
- October 10th

Shout Out:

We are pleased to welcome Ms. Sam Gill to our 7th and 8th grade Science Team



SEL Focus (Second Step)

At the end of every day, we will have about 15 minutes in our grade level for Second Step. During this time, we will focus on social-emotional learning, community building, and organizational skills.

Science

Teacher: **Ms. Sam Gill**

Hello! I am beyond excited to be your 7th and 8th grade Science teacher this school year! This will be my first year teaching at Sabin and my sixth year teaching in CPS. I have been known as the "tutu teacher" before. I LOVE to dress up, maybe that is why Halloween is my favorite time of the year! In my classroom, I believe everyone is welcome and we create a family together.

Students in 7th grade will start the year off as planetary geologists, working to investigate the planet Mars; students will investigate whether a particular channel on Mars was caused by flowing water or flowing lava. Students will be focused on figuring out how we can search for evidence that other planets were once habitable. Students in 8th grade will start the year off as energy scientists in order to help a team of rescue workers find a way to get energy to the batteries in their equipment during rescue missions. Students will be focused on figuring out how can rescue workers get energy for their equipment during rescue missions. I cannot wait to meet you all and share incredible moments with you all!
Ms. Gill
sgill@cps.edu

Language Arts

Teacher: **Ms. Patricia Hernandez**

Hello, I am Ms. Hernandez the 7th and 8th grade Language Arts Teacher. I hope everyone had a restful and enjoyable summer. I am looking forward to a positive school year and meeting all my students. Please check the supply list on the school website. The first quarter will consist of nonfiction memoir and poetry. If you have any questions or concerns please contact me at phernandez4@cps.edu.



Lunch Schedule

LUNCH	RECESS		Homeroom Teacher	Tables
12:40-1:00	1:00-1:25	308-7	Taylor	4, 5, 6
12:40-1:00	1:00-1:25	306-7	Gill	
12:55-1:15	1:15-1:40	302-7/8	Madrigal (21)	1, 2, 3
12:55-1:15	1:15-1:40	304-8	Hernandez (29)	1, 2, 3



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Forms

There are some required forms that you will need to fill out for this school year. *Please complete them ASAP.* These forms are available online, but if you need a hard copy, please reach out to your child's homeroom teacher. The required forms are the following:

- Student fees (please electronically pay - we are not permitted to accept cash or personal checks).
- Media release form
- Lunch form
- Student medical form
- Emergency contact form

Grading Policy

All middle school teachers will be abiding to the following breakdown of grades:

- Classwork 40%
- Summative Assessments 20%
- Projects 25%
- Quizzes 15%



Math

Teacher: Mr. Juan Madrigal

Dear Parents, Guardians, and Students,

Welcome to seventh or eighth Grade at Sabin Dual Language Magnet School! There are so many fun and exciting things that we have planned for the year, and we are thankful that you are partnering with us for the success of your child! My name is Juan M. Madrigal, I attended Northeastern Illinois University and received a Bachelor's degree in Elementary education. This is my 17th year teaching mathematics. After teaching 7th grade mathematics for three years, I developed a passion for mathematics and returned to school to earn a Masters in Mathematics. In 2011, I obtained a Masters in Mathematics from DePaul University. When I am not teaching I enjoy doing photography, cycling, building robots, and traveling with my wife and my two young teens. My interest in Robotics originates from my involvement with Gear Up Robotics Summer Academy, 2012. Since, I have taught eight Robotics programs and have implemented a Robotics Club at Sabin Dual Language school. I enjoy empowering my students to learn, create, be risk takers, and be problem solvers. I encourage open communication and welcome any feedback. I am available in person, via email, or phone to discuss any comments, questions, or concerns that you may have. Please don't hesitate to visit, too!

I am looking forward to working with you this year, and please don't hesitate to contact me with any comments, questions, or concerns.

Sincerely,

Juan M. Madrigal

Social Studies

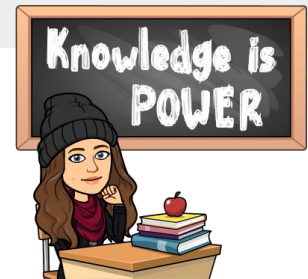
Teacher: Mrs. Jessica Taylor

Hello Sabin 7th/8th Grade Families,

Welcome to the 2022-2023 school year! We are extremely excited to begin working with our students and families again this year.

If you don't already know me, my name is Jessica Taylor. The students call me Mrs. Taylor and I use she/her pronouns. I have been teaching for 26 years, 12 of them at Sabin. My background is in ELA, Social Studies, and Gifted Education. I have 2 Masters Degrees, in Elementary Education and Administration.

I am looking forward to working with your children this year. I believe in open communication and transparency, so please feel free to contact me at jbtaylor@cps.edu. Together we can build a positive and engaging school experience.



Diverse Learners

Hello Everyone!

My name is Maria Czarina O. Manlapaz and I am the Diverse Learner Teacher for Middle School. Students call me Ms. Manlapaz or Ms. M. I have been with Sabin for the past 3 years. I teach Mathematics and English Language Arts.

I enjoy spending my free time with family and friends. I also like being outdoors as much as possible and I read books and listen to music too!

Please do not hesitate to email me at mcmanlapaz@cps.edu if you have any questions.

