



Technology Education Department

SKYLINE MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Technology Students and Parents,

I wanted to extend a warm and friendly welcome as you and your child begin your adventures with us here at Skyline Middle School!

As a part of our 6th Grade exploratory unit in “*Introduction to Technology*”, your child will learn about class and lab safety, and will then have the opportunity of using state-of-the-art technologies to assist them with designing a PowerPoint presentation of their choice, and then researching and preparing a digital video production. These processes will involve digital imaging, computers and internet access, shooting and editing digital video footage, taking digital pictures for planning and storyboards, and so on.

The “hands-on” work will follow several class activities including a unit on Lab Safety, as well as review of Tech Ed department policies, and procedures, as students become familiarized with the “*High Tech*” Technology Education Modular Classroom, and Woodworking Lab Areas.

If students do exceptional work, and complete all of their assignments early, they may have the opportunity to produce a video DVD of their work, or could venture into different technologies such as silkscreening, heat transfer, or the sublimation process, or with using the Lego Mindstorm Robolab and/or Lego NXT systems.

If you have any questions about the Technology Education program, or about the class expectations, please feel free to contact me at: (540)434-6862, Ext. 2172.

Reminder...
The 6th Grade classes meet
every other day
(A or B days) for approximately 45 minutes.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Hans Herlan, Technology Education
Skyline Middle School

2009-10 HOMEWORK & GRADING...

Students are asked to be **ON-TIME** to class... This means being seated and ready to begin... “Hands-on” work depends on using time wisely and productively.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION:

Mr. Herlan’s planning time is:
End of the school day, Monday thru Friday.

Emergency Contact Number:
(540)434-6862 (My Extension is: 2172)

Technology Education Grading:

Follows the SKMS Student Handbook with emphasis on projects (group & individual), quizzes, class participation, and commitment to excellence in all aspects of our program.

Required Class Supplies:

None for regular classroom work. However, with regards to their projects, students may be asked to bring in additional supplemental project materials if they choose to do additional work with their activities, as time allows. For example, if choosing to print onto a T-Shirt instead of the class supplied pellon fabric sheet.

Sample Assignments:

-Safety & Permission Forms
-Worklog & Worksheets
-Company (Group) Work & Competitions