

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

Ridge House



WELCOME TO BF! YOU ARE GOING TO HAVE A GREAT TIME HERE AT BF! OUR MIDDLE SCHOOL IS DIVIDED INTO TWO MAIN HOUSES- FRANKLIN AND RIDGE. EACH HOUSE HAS FOUR TEAM TEACHERS, A GRADE ADMINISTRATOR AND A GUIDANCE COUNSELOR. YOU WILL FIND LOTS OF PEOPLE TO HELP YOU START YOUR YEAR OFF RIGHT!

"Tell me and I forget. Teach me and I remember. Involve me and I learn."-Benjamin Franklin

RIDGE 6 TEACHERS

TBD- (English)

MR. FIOCCHI - (Social Studies) *"BF is a great place! Get involved and make new friends. You get a fresh start, take advantage of it."*

Mrs. PFEIFFER - (Math) *"BF has great activities. Spirit Week is my favorite." "Work hard and try to stay organized."*

Ms. Centrelli - (Science) *"Get ready to explore science with your hands every class."*

Mrs. Campbell - (Support teacher) *"Visit the school and get to know your way around. All teachers are here to help."*



LOCKERS

Lockers are one of the best things about BF. Many people are looking forward to having lockers and aren't let down. Lockers are so cool because you have a place to keep all of your things! They are also so much fun to decorate! The fun never stops. Be careful not to cram too much stuff inside – they do jam! You might want to practice using a bike lock over the summer so you are an expert on locks in September.

SCHEDULES: B.F. RUNS ON

A ROTATING SCHEDULE. IN ADDITION TO YOUR 4 CORE CLASSES, YOU WILL BE CHOOSING SELECTIVES AND A MUSIC OPTION.

Intramurals & Clubs

Football Basketball Track Volleyball
Yearbook Ski Club BF Cares
Social Services STEM club
School Play Weightlifting
Broadway Bound Cambodia Club
Knitting Student Council

Languages

In 6th grade you are required to take one quarter of French, Latin and Spanish. When you graduate from 6th grade you get to choose what language you want to take for 7th and 8th grade. The Spanish teachers are Senora Briggs and Senora Del Orbe, the Latin teacher is Magistra Carroll and the French teacher is Madame Imbruglia. All the languages are fun and the teachers are really cool.

Supply Lists

Homeroom-
-2 boxes of tissues

Classes-

-Three ringed binder with paper,
5 pocket folders, and 5 dividers
Black and white, hard cover
composition books
(English-1 & Science-2)
-Pencils and Pens
-1 extra fine black markers (Social
Studies) no permanent markers
-Colored pencils

Math-

-1-1 subject spiral notebook (about 100
pages) to fit in binder
-Simple calculator
-one 2 inch binder
- one pencil case for binder (to hold
pens, pencils, calculator, erasers)
- 1 package or notebook of graph paper

Field Day is when you have a battle with your homerooms. There are many different activities on field day such as the Egg Toss, Elephant Walk, Crazy Hair, Pie Eating Contest and the Giant Pony Express!



Advisory

Each student is assigned an advisory group and teacher. You will keep this advisory for the rest of BF. Advisory is a place where you do projects around the school to help out. One thing BF does every year is the Paterson gift drive where you donate a gift to a kid in Paterson. You have advisory every two to three weeks. The year ends with an Advisory kickball tournament where the whole school plays each other!

Spirit Week

Spirit Week is one week of the school year where each day you dress up. The grade with the highest percentage of participation wins a spirit week point. Possible costumes could be Tie-dye Tuesday or Wig Wednesday. There are also certain days throughout the year where you can win spirit points. Twice a year, you go to the auditorium and play different game shows and video games to win extra spirit week points. At the end of the year the grade with the most spirit points wins a reward. Spirit Week is very competitive and everyone has a good time.

Minute to Win It is definitely the best part of Spirit Week!

- 7th Grader

My favorite part of spirit week is that last day - the color wars!

- 8th Grader

Everybody working together to get their grade to win is great, as well as the excitement throughout the school!

- Mr. Wu, Grade Administrator

You will have a great time at BF. All the teachers are kind and will help you every time you need it. There are so many new programs to do after school and it is great place to learn and get educated.

On the first day of school, you will need a pen/pencil and a small notebook. Lockers will be given out later in the week.

