MANSFIELD ROADRUNNERS

Mansfield Middle School

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Dear Parents and Guardians of Fourth Graders,

A warm welcome to our Middle School family! In preparation for your child's advancement to fifth grade, we have planned a variety of activities to facilitate your family's transition to the Middle School.

Fourth graders will soon be visiting Mansfield Middle School for a morning – **May 28th for Vinton students; April 22nd for Southeast students; and May 29th for Goodwin students.** Each school will come separately to allow for ample time to tour the building and to afford individual attention to questions. Students will meet briefly in the cafeteria, followed by a "Hopes and Dreams" activity with MMS Sunshine Club. Snacks will be distributed back in the cafeteria, and a question and answer period will conclude the visit. Students will return to their elementary school in time for recess/lunch periods.

Along with the fifth grade team, we have also planned a **"Getting to Know You Evening"** on **Thursday, May 7, 2015, from 6:30-8:00 PM.** Please attend with your prospective fifth grader. The evening's activities will include a formal program in the auditorium. Our MMS Sunshine Club Members will be available to give building tours following the auditorium segment of the program. The cafeteria will be open for refreshments, and there will be an opportunity for parents to chat in small groups with members of Mansfield Middle School staff.

From the end of May to early June, we will visit every 4th grade classroom with MMS Sunshine Club members. We will discuss a "shopping list" for school supplies which will be sent home at the end of the year. These visits provide us with another opportunity to meet your 4th grader and help familiarize your child with activities at MMS.

The transition to middle school is an exciting time for students. It's a developmental phase, a new beginning in your child's education, and a time filled with new endeavors. Children benefit positively when families take a supportive role in their education. Parental involvement encourages children to enjoy learning, develop confidence in skills, improve attitudes, and be better prepared for the future. We look forward to working with you to make the middle school years very special for your child. We hope that you and your child will join us for these orientation activities.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Eileen Melody
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Students with the last names A-K

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"GETTING TO KNOW YOU EVENING" Response Form

PLEASE RETURN THIS RESPONSE FORM TO YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER
BY April 24, 2015

School Goodman

Student's Name Sarah LEVINE

Parent/Guardian Tom & Jihee Levine

Thank you for the invitation to the "Getting to Know You" evening to be held on May 7th.

_____ Our family will ***not*** be able to attend.

X Our family will be able to attend.

Number of people attending including 4th grader 4
includes Twin sister Lauren