



**2003
Blue Ribbon School**



JFK Middle School Transition 2023-2024



OPENING

- Middle School is an exciting time for students and parents but also brings challenges and change.
- Our goal is to provide a positive educational environment that will enable our students to successfully transition to high school.
- We strive to make every effort to promote the academic and personal success of all students.



- Students are encouraged to seek support from faculty and staff whenever questions or challenges arise.
- We also ask that parents keep an open line of communication with the school by keeping us informed of any concerns that are brought to your attention.

Main Office

Mr. Clark

Principal

315-368-6642

cclark@uticaschools.org



Mrs. Brenon

Main Office Secretary

315-368-6641

jbrenon@uticaschools.org



The main office deals with all situations relative to the whole school function: busing, food service, building maintenance, teachers and staff, computer technology, the nurse's office, the guidance office, safety and security. All school functions!

Main Office

Ms. Williams

Main Office Secretary

315-368-6653

dwilliams@uticaschools.org

Guidance Office-Student Services (A-L)

Mr. Kierpiec

Assistant Principal

315-368-6688

akierpiec@uticaschools.org



Guidance Office-Student Services (M-Z)

Mr. DeJesus
Assistant Principal
315-368-6688
adejesus@uticaschools.org



Ms. Salatino
Guidance Office Secretary
315-368-6645
gsalatino@uticaschools.org



The Guidance Office deals with any issues related to students: busing, grades, activities, planning, scheduling and the social and emotional well being of all students. The office also deals with discipline!

Guidance Office-Student Services

- Mrs. Halpin (A-G)
Guidance Counselor
315-368-6643
mhalpin@uticaschools.org



- Ms. Dentino (H-O)
Guidance Counselor
316-368-6647
cdentino@uticaschools.org



- Mrs. Starsiak (P-Z and Young Scholars)
Guidance Counselor
315-368-6646
jstarsiak@uticaschools.org



Student Services (Social Workers)

Social Worker (A-L)

Ms. Bass

315-368-6655

cbass@uticaschools.org



Social Worker (M-Z)

Ms. LaFache

315-368-6679

klafache@uticaschools.org

School Nurse

School Nurse

Mrs. DePerno

315-368-6644

pdeperno@uticaschools.org

- Deals with all issues related to student health: immunizations, students getting hurt, COVID, information relating to doctors.

ATTENDANCE

Please call 315-368-6649 if your child is going to be absent by 9:00 a.m. or you will receive an automated call from school!

Students are expected to be in school full-time EVERY day! These people deal with every-day school attendance!!

Mrs. Burriss
Attendance



315-368-6662
tburriss@uticaschools.org

Ms. Cavalier
Attendance Data Entry (Daily Attendance)



315-368-6649
pcavalier@uticaschools.org

STUDENT EXPECTATIONS and the Code of Conduct

- Be in school everyday on time!
- No phones allowed.
- No recording of others.
- No fighting. Keep your hand and body parts to yourselves please!
- If you can't say anything nice, don't say it at all.
- Be nice and kind to others. Treat others the way you would like to be treated.
- Social media and phone interaction is the number 1 reason for almost all school problems.
- Everyone gives their personal best, every day.

Grade 7 Course Offerings

- English and ELA Lab
- Social Studies
- Math and Math Lab
- Science
- Language: French, Spanish or Italian
- Music: Music, Choir, Band or Orchestra
- Health
- Physical Education
- Family and Consumer Science/Library
- Accelerated, Special Education and ENL programs available.

Sample Schedule

- 9 period day
- 2 day cycle
- School starts 7:47, ready to go!
- School is out 2:22.
- Periods 42 minutes long.
- 3 minutes between periods.

Semester: Semester 1

	1	2
Period 1 Time 7:52 - 8:34	Technology Femano(141)	Physical Education 7/8 Minicozzi(GYM)
Period 2 Time 8:37 - 9:19	English 8 Vanetten(122)	English 8 Vanetten(122)
Period 3 Time 9:22 - 10:04	Science 8 Aiello(208)	Science 8 Aiello(208)
Period 4 Time 10:07 - 10:49	Math 8 Nimey(235)	Math 8 Nimey(235)
Period 5 Lunch Time 10:52 - 11:22	Lunch (CAF)	Lunch (CAF)
Period 6 Time 11:25 - 12:07	Art Bailey(221)	ELA Lab 8 Mariotti(137)
Period 7 Time 12:10 - 12:52	Spanish 1b McRorie(231)	Spanish 1b McRorie(231)
Period 8 Time 12:55 - 1:37	Social Studies 8 Houck(227)	Social Studies 8 Houck(227)
Period 9 Time 1:40 - 2:22	Math Lab 8 Nimey(235)	Choir Campbell(107)
Period 10 Time 2:33 - 2:55	Young Scholars Delgado(136)	

REPORT CARD SAMPLE- every 10 weeks

Course	Teacher	MP1		MP2		Mid T Exam	MP3		MP4		YTD Abs	Local Exam	Reg Exam	Final Avg	Earned Credit	RCT Pro
		Grd	Abs	Grd	Abs		Grd	Abs	Grd	Abs						
Honors English 8 (6) Student is respectful (13) Continued effort encouraged	Piccione	100	1	100	6	100	100	0			7				0.00	
Spanish 1b (8) Student is cooperative and attentive (10) Student is doing exceptionally good work	Kulik	100	1	99	6	100	99	0			7				0.00	
Living Environment/Biology Regents (10) Student is doing exceptionally good work (14) A pleasure to have in class (7) Student is a positive role model in class	Schreppel	99	1	100	5	100	98	0			6				0.00	
Technology (6) Student is respectful (10) Student is doing exceptionally good work (14) A pleasure to have in class	Femano	100	1	100	5	100	100	0			6				0.00	
Art (8) Student is cooperative and attentive (10) Student is doing exceptionally good work (14) A pleasure to have in class	Bailey	99	1	96	4	100	99	1			6				0.00	
Algebra CC (4) Student is working conscientiously (14) A pleasure to have in class	Sallam	100	1	100	6	96	97	0			7				0.00	
Algebra CC Lab (8) Student is cooperative and attentive (16) Classroom work is satisfactory and up to date	Sallam	E	0	E	3		E	0			3				0.00	
Honors Social Studies 8 (10) Student is doing exceptionally good work (14) A pleasure to have in class	Hajdasz	100	1	100	6	100	100	1			8				0.00	
Physical Education 7/8 (6) Student is respectful (13) Continued effort encouraged	Scotellaro	95	0	95	2	85	95	1			3				0.00	
Quarterly Average:		99.0		98.6			98.3								0.00	

Grading Scale

E = Excellent	Inc = Incomplete
S+ = More than Satisfactory	W/P = Withdraw Pass
S = Satisfactory	W/F = Withdraw Fail
S- = Less than Satisfactory	
U = Unsatisfactory	

Numeric Passing grade is 65 or above

Marking Period	1	2	3	4
Days Absent	1	6	0	
Unexcused	0	0	0	
Tardy	0	0	0	
Excused	1	6	0	

HOME/SCHOOL CONNECTION

- Newsletter 4 times a year.
- Report Card 4 times a year.
- Progress reports 4 times a year.
- Channel 3.
- JFK School web site
<https://www.uticaschools.org/schools/kennedy/index>
- Parent/Teacher Conferences.
- Awards Ceremonies.
- “All call” telephone calls.
- ENL and AIS conferences.
- All school events.
- Teachers in middle school use Google Classroom as the way to communicate.



Sports

Mr. Minicozzi, Athletic Manager

315-368-6684

dminicozzi@uticaschools.org

Fall: B&G Soccer & Cross-Country
G Swim, B Football

Winter: B&G Basketball, G Volleyball,
B Swim

Spring: B&G Track & Field,
B Lacrosse, G Softball, B Baseball



The Athletic Manager handles all issues related to sports!

Activities

Newspaper Club, Mrs. Bennett
sbennett@uticaschools.org

Yearbook, Mrs. Roberts
jroberts@uticaschools.org

Student Council, Mrs. Green
ngreen@uticaschools.org

8th Grade Class, Mrs. Roberts and Mrs. Carney
jroberts@uticaschools.org
acarney@uticaschools.org

Activities continued...

Art Club, Mrs. Bailey

lbailey@uticaschools.org

National Junior Honor Society, Mrs. Starsiak and Mrs. Halpin

jstarsiak@uticaschools.org

mhalpin@uticaschools.org

Drama Club, Ms. Campbell

ccampbell@uticaschools.org

Other activities...

- . We have multiple other groups through our 21st century program (3-D printing, best buddies, fashion club, health and wellness and many more! Right now we have about 15 other groups meeting after school on a regular basis.

Those start in October, more information to follow.

- . After school help is always available.

**Thank you for coming and
welcome to the JFK Family!!**

This presentation will be posted on the JFK website!