News from Mrs. P' class: Final Edition

Thank you! As our school year winds to an end, the students have been given a chance to reflect on the 2012-2013 school year. I want to thank you for making this such a fun, successful, and memorable year. I look forward to seeing all the successes you have in upcoming years.

Enjoy your summer and stay in touch!

Mrs. Peterson ©

What is your favorite memory of 8th grade?

Mrs. Peterson's first hour class

The cloud maker in science class

Making robots in tech. ed.

Meeting new people

Making a lot of new friends

In wellness class when my friends hit each other in the face with a volleyball

Filming a skit for my French class

When I broke my knee and everyone was so helpful

Creating so many inside jokes with my friends

When Mr. Matthias started singing "What's Up" by Four Non-Blondes

When Autumn ate the school's grapefruit

Watching Jack and Will's Hawaiian dance

Clutching in the dodgeball tournament

The friends I've made

Lunch

Mr. Matthias's surprise birthday party—we ate cupcakes and made him a dunce cap

Making teachers laugh

Girls

Teachers

Playing basketball

The food fight with Drew

Mr. Meyer making jokes

Fort Wakatacka time

Going on field trips

My best friend moving back to Neenah

8th grade track

Everything—Shattuck is great!

What is your favorite memory of 7th grade?

My first girlfriend

When I almost threw up looking at the deer heart in science

The Valentine's Day dance

My first kiss

Going to the Tundra lodge for BLAST

When Mr. Hunter raps in math class

Inflating cow lungs in Mrs. Bandstra's class

Going to Great America for choir

Meeting new friends

Watching movies

My teachers

Being in orchestra with my friends

Having my first best friend

When my math teacher invited me into algebra

Meeting new friends like Shanaynay, Shalaney, and Shanina

Getting the best free throw shooter award on our basketball team

Going to the Paper Valley with my friend Pavel and he spilled water all over my bed

Going to the Kalahari

Having our fake party

The bus ride back from the Tundra Lodge

The last drama performance of Aladdin was super amazing

Going on the X-flight ride at Great America

Getting to see Iron Man 3 with my family

Making lots of new friends

Joining volleyball

When I marched for the very first time and did awesome

Christmas break

Getting my Ripstick

My friends and I Getting matching capes at Great America

Having fun with my friends in cross-country and track

The awesome teachers

Dissecting frogs in science class

Freedom Writers

Mr. Nonn's class

Performing a choir in front of 500 people and I didn't faint, trip, or throw up

Going on field trips for the AIMS program

Burning my hand in FC/S when I baked a cake

Getting first place in the 800 meter dash

The Valentine's Day Dance

Running into walls

What was the most difficult part of 7th grade?

All the social studies projects

Pre-algebra

The frog dissection in science class

Math

Drama with friends

Liking someone who has a girlfriend

Getting picked on

Studying for Spanish

Keeping my science grade up

All the tests

Adjusting to a new school

That I kept getting sick

Fourth quarter

Getting in fights with my friends

Working silently

First quarter

Having to walk across the whole school to get to classes

Girls

Trying to fit in

Learning that it's okay to not get a 100% on a test

Waking up in the morning

Leaving!

What was the most difficult part of 8th grade?

Math

My parents

Finals

Waking up

Almost losing the two most important people in my life

All the drama

Keeping up with homework

Leaving at the end

Spanish

Tests and quizzes

Leaving my teachers

Eating the lunch food

Catching up on homework after I was sick

Dealing with people I don't like

Managing my time

Girls who act hard to get!

Breakups

Starting the year without my best friend

Nothing!

What is your biggest fear of going to high school?

It's so big

My friends will change

Getting trampled in the hall

Getting lost

Having tons of homework

Not being able to find my classes

Being separated from my friends

Finals

Big kids

Getting detention

Having to grow up

The pressure of getting good grades

The seniors

People being mean

Bullies

Having to talk in front of class

Being short

Getting my hair messed up from swimming

Rumors

Fitting in

What advice would you give incoming 7th graders?

Stay low and keep your head high

Don't let others bring you down

Just have fun

Grades aren't everything

Believe in yourself

The year goes really fast so enjoy it

Seventh grade is a rollercoaster

Don't worry about the small things

Good luck!

Study for tests

It's really fun

Keep a positive attitude

Don't lose your confidence

Watch who you hang out with

Don't spread rumors

Respect the teachers

Try new things

Pay attention in class

Don't be afraid to ask for help

Don't be afraid to mess up

You'll have great opportunities in middle school

Don't tick off the teachers

Work hard

Avoid crash corner

Be prepared for all of your classes

Don't just do the bare minimum

Put yourself out there

Avoid drama

Do your homework

Don't give up

Be yourself

Be careful with who you become friends with

Don't be dumb

Be nice

What advice would you give incoming 8th graders?

Teachers aren't so bad; be nice to them

Be vourself

Get a variety of friends

Stay in school

Pay attention

Don't take life too seriously

Don't put boys before your friends

Work hard all year long

Try your best

Don't forget to have fun

Study for every test

Don't bother trying to fit it

Be good

Stay out of drama

Make your last year of middle school fun and memorable

Don't be a procrastinator

Avoid crash corner

Choose your friends wisely

Don't act stupid

Follow the rules

Go to bed early

Be nice to the sevies

Don't be a fake friend

Be a lover, not a fighter

Don't worry about pleasing other people

Just be nice

Use your tutorials

If teachers offer you extra credit, do it

What are your summer plans?

Party it up!

Play golf

Play video games

Play hockey

Sleep

Be outside

Get in shape

Relax

Camp

Babysit

Work

Swim

Chill out

Weight lift

Hang out with friends

Celebrate my birthday

Go to concerts

Go to Camp Onaway

Enjoy my youth

Go to a Justin Beiber concert

Play lacrosse

Fish

Go to the Skatepark

Go up north

Bow hunt

Travel

Pay baseball

Chill with my homies

Play soccer

Have bonfires

Spend time with my family

Sleep and eat

See the Warped tour

Hang out with my brothers

Go to two weddings

Get some sun

Participate in Regionals for soccer

Take care of my grandma

Move to Florida

Watch Doctor Who

Go to the Neenah pool

Take the pre-algebra course

See Miss Heidi and Mr. Mike

Have airsoft wars

Read a ton

Cook

Run

Have sleepovers

Go boating

Spend time with my baby nieces

Go on Tumblr

Sleep in

Go to County and state fairs

Go to my sister's wedding where I will be the maid of honor

Visit with my cousins who are coming from Georgia

Travel to . . .

California, Washington, D.C., New York City, Canada, Arizona, Virginia, Wisconsin Dells, Florida, Chicago, Indiana, Missouri, Georgia, Mall of America, , Disney World, Mount Olympus, Six Flags . . .

The students had a chance to reflect on the lessons that they've learned throughout middle school. It's really amazing to see how much they've learned. These "life lessons" are listed below:

All I Really Need to Know . . .

I learned to keep your friends close

I learned not to plan your future, just let it happen

I learned to go with the flow

I learned to be myself

I learned life is too short and I might as well make it amusing

I learned it's good to have a variety of friends

I learned to do my homework

I learned to be nice to girls

I learned to have fun

I learned not to say the words "moist" or "panties" in front of Mrs. Peterson

I learned not to take life so seriously

I learned to be prepared always

I learned if you're getting yelled at, shut up, listen, and apologize

I learned to always bring tampons and pads to school

I learned you're never too old to give your teacher a hug

I learned that counselors are there for a reason—use them

I learned to take lots of pictures

I learned to always be respectful

I learned to stay away from bad people

I learned to always do my best

I learned to remember to have fun

I learned not to talk behind someone's back

I learned when I want something from my parents, I need to wait until the right moment

I learned that acting dumb gets me nowhere

I learned not to chase little kids—I broke my toe and sprained my pinkie

I learned to stay gold

I learned to not believe everything I hear

I learned sleep is really important

I learned to stay away from drama

I learned to be there for my friends

I learned to not get on a teacher's bad side

I learned to wear my seatbelt

I learned not everyone will like me and to get over it

I learned to not procrastinate

I learned to eat all my Easter candy before it goes bad

I learned that girls are mean

I learned to not tell secrets

I learned knowledge is the key to success

I learned to not stress over people who hate me but to surround myself with people who like me

I learned to get involved

I learned to be original

I learned to be myself

I learned to be patient

I learned to not judge a book by its cover

I learned to wear skinny jeans

I learned what goes around comes around

I learned to bring a fan

I learned to not be friends with overly dramatic people

I learned to never date a boy who your friend likes

I learned that family comes first

I learned that girls are a waste of time

I learned to ignore mean people

I learned to be nice to older siblings otherwise I may have to walk home

I learned to not wear shorts that are too short

I learned that sometimes people suck

I learned that I'd rather be bullied to my face than behind my back

I learned to not give out my locker combination

I learned to speak my mind

I learned to express myself

I learned to have fun

I learned the world doesn't revolve around me

I learned that grades aren't everything

I learned no one can help everyone, but everyone can help someone

I learned people aren't always who I think they are

I learned boys are annoying

I learned to think before I speak

I learned everything happens for a reason

I learned to go with my instincts

I learned to watch where I am walking so that I don't run into a bird feeder

I learned patience is a virtue

I learned clothes and money don't determine popularity, personality does

I learned history repeats itself

I learned to listen

I learned that teachers are more than just educators

I learned no one is perfect

I learned being awkward is okay

I learned real hipsters don't say that they are hipsters

I learned if you can't beat them, join them

I learned that "bro" gets old

I learned when someone says "kay bye" they're mad

I learned to bring my own water bottle

I learned to not try to impress people

I learned to bring a pencil

I learned to be respectful to elders

I learned to not rely on others

I learned to not take anything for granted

I learned that I'm awesome

I learned how to cope with my feelings

I learned to not be mean to subs

I learned to not start drama

I learned to do what makes me happy

I learned to never give up

I learned that boys get over things much faster than girls do

I learned to not quit

I learned to always respect my parents

I learned to not let little things get to me

I learned to pay attention to current events

I learned to not pretend to be someone I'm not

I learned to always have a back up plan

I learned to pull my pants up—no one wants to see my underwear

I learned to go to sleep early

I learned to balance school and social life

I learned to life is like a box of chocolates—you never know what you're going to get

I learned to practice my instrument

I learned I'm not perfect

I learned I shouldn't take my frustration out on my family

I learned that duct tape fixes almost anything

I learned to remember the little things

I learned to not lie

I learned that boys don't mature as fast as girls

I learned that Females are always right

I learned that sad things happen, but I need to move on

I learned that I have to give respect to get respect

I learned that I only have one chance to make a first impression

I learned to be myself

I learned that my family is always there for me