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Dear Current Grade Five Parents & Guardians:

Welcome to middle school! Our goal at the Harold L. Qualters Middle School is to provide every student with a high quality educational experience where they will develop the academic and social skills they need to successfully transition to high school. We would like to invite you to join us for our virtual Sixth Grade Parent and Guardian Orientation on Wednesday, May 27th at 7 pm. A link to this online event will be posted on the QMS Webpage and on Twitter @QMS\_Mansfield approximately 30 minutes before we begin. We will also post a recording of this presentation in the same places the following day. As we begin the scheduling process for the upcoming school year, we recognize that families can play an important role helping us understand their child's unique learning needs. If you would like to share any information with us about your child, we ask you to submit a letter to Mr. Kevin Hoffman by Friday, June 1st.

Teams and classes are carefully designed with input from many different sources and take into consideration a variety of factors. Please know that some courses are not offered on every team. Our teams are made up of a diverse range of teaching personalities to provide a balanced experience for all students and our staffing needs adjust every summer. For these reasons, we do not take requests for placement on a specific team. Given our comprehensive student scheduling process, we may be unable to change student placements after they are communicated to families in August. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to reach out.

Sincerely,

*David McGovern*

David McGovern - Principal

*All students regardless of race, color, sex, religion, national origin, limited English proficiency, sexual orientation, gender identity, disability, or housing status, have equal access to all programs, including athletics and other extracurricular activities.*

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