 **DeLong Middle School**

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Hello!

We are very excited that your child will be attending DeLong Middle School, and we look forward to meeting him/her on **Thursday, August 22nd**, **from 8 a.m. until 12 noon,** for a special **Student-Only Orientation Day**. Our school participates in the WEB Program (Where Everybody Belongs), a program which helps sixth graders feel more comfortable as well as helps them achieve success in their first year of middle school.

The WEB sixth grade orientation and transition program is designed to both welcome and support sixth graders by assigning them a 7th or 8th grade WEB Leader as a mentor during this first year. The WEB Leader is a responsible, older student who was hand-selected from a large pool of applicants and has met the qualifications of being a good role model and a positive leader on our campus. Following is some information to let you know what you and your child can expect prior to the first day of school.

1. Your child can expect to receive an invitation to **Sixth Grade WEB Orientation Day** in the mail. If s/he has not received the invitation by August 8th, please call the main office at 852-4900 and request one.
2. A day or two before WEB Orientation Day, your child will also receive a phone call from his/her WEB leader personally inviting him/her to orientation day and giving the details of where to be and what time to be there. If you do not want your phone number released to the WEB Leader, please let us know, and your child will only receive the invitation via mail.
3. Your student is encouraged to leave all extras (backpacks, purses, cell phones, etc.) at home on WEB orientation day as the day is quite active.
4. Because the day is active, please make sure that your child wears comfortable clothing that does not restrict movement.

This is a **student only** function, so we ask that you let your child attend on his/her own. Please drop off your child at Door One; we will have 7th/8th grade WEB Leaders available to help.

We look forward to meeting your sixth grader on **Thursday, August 22nd, from 8 a.m. until 12 noon**!

As in the past, DeLong will also host the 6th grade Back-to-School Knight for 6th grade parents and students on Wednesday, August 28th, at 6:30 p.m. Students will receive schedules and locker assignments at that time.

WEB Coordinators,

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