

# WEEK of September 10, 2018

Being responsible, respectful, and safe



## THE SCHEDULE

### Monday

- No activities

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### Wednesday

- CogAT Testing (7 Grade ONLY)
- 8:30 am All Grade Math Tutoring
- 9:00-11:00 am PTSA District 9 Fall Conference at Marietta High School
- 6:00 pm 8 Grade Informational Night in the cafeteria

### Thursday

- ITBS Testing Starts (7 Grade ONLY)

### Friday

- ITBS Continues (7 Grade ONLY)
- 3:30 PTSA Chick-fil-A Nugget Sales
- 5:30 8 Grade Band and Chorus Night at KMHS

## 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Parent Night

Eighth grade parents and guardians, be sure to remember that this Wednesday night we will host an Eighth Grade Parent Night. During the evening, we will discuss important dates concerning high school transition including course recommendations and electives, magnet school information, PSAT 8/9 testing dates and resources, and Reality U.

## The IOWA

This week our 7 graders begin taking the IOWA. The IOWA allows us to see how kids are doing academically compared to other seventh graders from across the United States. As a result, you can see how your child is doing academically compared to students all over the country. In addition, the IOWA also lets us see how students are doing compared to the students they will be competing against for spots in colleges, universities, and scholarships.

Many realtors and executives use the IOWA as a basis to determine whether or not schools are competitive. The 65 percentile and higher is usually considered a competitive score. In 2018, Pine Mountain Middle School students collectively scored at the 46.9 percentile rank. All Cobb 7 grade students came in at the 56 percentile rank in 2018. So, Pine Mountain Middle School has been doing well, but with a little more encouragement our kids can not only score at the 65 percentile but also above. We have many students who score well into the 90's! Let's all be sure to support our 7 grade team this week and their students as they gear up for the IOWA!

**IMPORTANT**

**Upcoming Dates**



- September 17-18: ITBS Continues
- September 17-21: Book Fair
- September 19-21: ITBS Make-ups
- September 20: Orlando Trip Interest Meeting
- September 24-28: Fall Break
- October 1: Magnet Portal Opens
- October 4-5: Little Mermaid, Jr. Auditions