Teachers are very nice at MAMS, as long as you are on their good side. Here are some tips to make your teachers like you. First, you should always do your homework. If you don't do your homework your teachers will get upset and they might make you stay after school to make it up. Don't worry if you miss one or two a marking quarter; that is fine, just don't miss one or two every week. Another way for teachers to like you is to try your best and be respectful to your teachers. If you get a bad grade and they see you try your best, then they might give you a better grade. You should be respectful to your teachers or else they might give you detention. To make your teachers like you, you should do your homework, be respectful and try your best.

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The teachers at MAMS are very nice. If you stay on their good side you should have a good year. Before joking around and talking with your friends in every class, learn which teachers are strict about it. Most teachers don't mind if you talk as long as you know when to stop. However, some don't like when you talk at all. Also, the teachers could start to get mad if you have the kind of attitude where school doesn't matter, because school does matter. If you stop caring and stop doing your work, it won't make your teachers very happy. Getting to know your teachers is very important. Stay on your teacher's good side and you will have a great year.

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One of the chief differences in middle school is the fact that you will now have at least ten different teachers to see every day. It would be wise to get to know the expectations of each teacher as soon as possible. Beware that some teachers may act like a comedian, but don't misinterpret this to mean that they are not as serious about their subject as any other teacher. Listen carefully and pay attention to how each teacher organizes his or her lessons. Every teacher has a different method and style of teaching which you will need to learn. Look for signals about the assignments that are to come. If you are a student that likes to gossip and joke around, then you better be getting good scores because many teachers count class participation as part of the final grade. Most importantly, you should always try to stay on a teacher's good side.

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Coming to a new school can be scary. Another thing that is scary is having over nine teachers with different semesters and odd and even days. Don't be nervous to ask questions. That is what the teachers are there for; they are there to help you! Teachers will be annoyed if you are late to class. Some will give you a consequence like a point off your average or a test, while other teachers will just tell you to be faster between periods. Teachers in every class usually give homework. If you listen to your teacher you will be okay.

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Some people think they are the meanest people in the world; if you do something wrong they will bite your head off. But that is not true! They are the people

who are here to help you and make sure you succeed. Yes, they are your teachers. When you need help or you are confused, ask your teacher for help. They know the units and their tests better than anybody else does. Most teachers have extra help sessions a few times during the week, before and after school. Teachers are here to help you; they don't like to fail anybody. They want you to succeed and they will try their best to help you. Never be scared to ask for teachers' help because they want to help you.

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Teachers are a lot less lenient in terms of punishment in middle school than they are in elementary school. In elementary school if you do something wrong, quite often they'll just keep threatening you and will not take action unless you do something very bad. In middle school, however, they will almost immediately give you detention, call home, or if bad enough (and you really don't want this) suspension. This may seem hard but it is a lot easier than it seems. At the beginning of the year (and quite often beforehand) they will explain to you extremely thoroughly what the rules are, what is expected of you, and how you are supposed to do it, and throughout the year will remind you. In middle school, you have to be very careful if you want to keep out of trouble, and if you keep out of trouble you will otherwise have a pleasant two years in middle school.