

## Frequently asked Questions/Answers for MS2TC Students & Parents (page 1 of 3)...

### **Question: What is “MS2TC”?**

**Answer:** MS2TC stands for *M*iddle *S*chool *M*ath/*S*cience *T*echnology *C*enter. If your child has been invited to attend Butcher’s half-day math/science program, you will see and hear this acronym (MS2TC) frequently in literature and conversation.

### **Question: I see the term “home school” in Butcher’s literature; what does that mean?**

**Answer:** MS2TC is a half-day middle school program at Butcher. Your child’s “home school” is the other Warren Consolidated middle school that your child attends during the school day: Beer, Carleton, Carter, or Grissom Middle School.

### **Question: When reporting my child’s attendance, do I need to notify both schools (Butcher and home school)?**

**Answer:** Yes! Here are the attendance line numbers for each school: **Butcher Educational Center (MS2TC): 586-698-4395**  
**Beer Middle School: 586-698-4489** **Carter Middle School: 586-698-4562**  
**Carleton Middle School: 586-698-4497** **Grissom Middle School: 586-698-4543**

### **Question: What classes will my child take at Butcher?**

**Answer:** At Butcher, your child will take *accelerated Math, Science* and one hour of *English Language Arts*.

### **Question: What classes will my child take at their home school?**

**Answer:** Your child will take Social Studies and two elective classes at their home middle school. The counselors at the home middle schools will have more information on the elective classes offered at their respective middle schools.

### **Question: My child will attend Butcher in the morning. What time does school start at Butcher?**

**Answer:** Students who attend Beer or Carter always attend Butcher’s MS2TC program in the MORNING. Historically, Butcher’s start time has been 7:23AM.

### **Question: My child will attend Butcher in the afternoon. What time does school end at Butcher?**

**Answer:** Students who attend Carleton or Grissom always attend Butcher’s MS2TC program in the AFTERNOON. Historically, Butcher’s end time has been 2:41PM. This time may be subject to change. If changes occur, we will inform parents as soon as possible.

### **Question: Where does my child eat lunch?**

**Answer:** All students eat lunch at their home school (Beer, Carter, Carleton, Grissom). See below:

If your child attends Butcher in the morning, they will be dismissed and bussed to the home middle schools at approximately 10:25AM. At their home school, they will eat lunch and take Social Studies and two electives in the afternoon.

If your child attends Butcher in the afternoon, they will take Social Studies, two electives classes, and eat lunch at their home school in the morning. After lunch (approximately 11:30AM), they will be bussed to Butcher for afternoon MS2TC classes.

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**Question: Will my child have two student IDs (one for the home school and another for Butcher)?**

**Answer:** No, your child will receive one student ID through their home school. Your child's home school will provide you with student ID information over the summer. That ID will be issued at the home school and will be used to identify students who also attend Butcher. All students are required to wear their home school student ID while they attend Butcher.

**Question: Will my child be assigned textbooks for their MS2TC classes?**

**Answer:** At Butcher, students are not assigned published textbooks. MS2TC students create their very own, personalized, "Interactive" notebook under teacher guidance and using various resources. These "Interactive" notebooks serve as the student textbook for each class. Note!!! Students who find themselves unmotivated or disorganized tend to have a difficult time maintaining Interactive notebooks.

**Question: I heard that MS2TC students have "Summer Work". Where can I find that information?**

**Answer:** Summer work is meant to help keep students sharp in the months before school. Additionally, it allows teachers to gauge each child's skillset and provides for a sneak peek of the curriculum ahead. Summer work is accessible through the MS2TC Information Hub in Schoology.

**Question: My child will attend Butcher in the morning. Will they be bussed directly to Butcher in the morning?**

**Answer:** The Transportation Department works diligently through the summer to provide bus information to families in late August/early September. The Transportation Department already has your home address that is listed in our student database.

If your child is eligible for bussing to their home middle school, they will also receive bussing directly to Butcher in the morning. Be aware that home schools bus stops and Butcher bus stops ***may*** be in different locations in the neighborhood.

If your child is a "walker" to their home middle school in the morning, ***their Butcher bus stop in the morning will be at the home middle school.*** They may walk there in the morning, or you may drive them to the home school. The bus stop is in the front of the home middle school. From there, a bus will shuttle them to Butcher for morning classes. As a district rule, middle school "walkers" are those students who live within 1.5 miles of the home middle school.

If your child is "open enrolled" or "school of choice" at their home middle school, you may either drop off your child directly at Butcher, or you may drive them to that open enrolled middle school where walkers wait for the Butcher bus. From there, a bus will shuttle your student to Butcher in the morning.

**Question: If I choose to drop off my child at Butcher in the MORNING, where can I safely drop them off and how early can I drop them off?**

**Answer:** Parents must drop off students in the morning in the back of the school (door #17). Doors open as early as 6:45AM. A staff member is stationed at that door to welcome students. The back of the school includes a staff parking lot. Parent drop-off resembles an assembly line that they will follow, drive safely around, and access Cosgove Road.

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**Question: My child will attend Butcher in the AFTERNOON. Will they be bussed directly home in the afternoon?**

**Answer:** The Transportation Department works diligently through the summer to provide bus information to families in late August/early September. The Transportation Department already has your home address that is listed in our student database.

If your child is eligible for bussing to their home middle school, they will also receive bussing directly home in the afternoon. Be aware that home schools bus stops and Butcher bus stops may be in different locations in the neighborhood.

If your child is a “walker” to their home middle school in the morning, their Butcher bus stop in the afternoon will be at the home middle school. As a district rule, middle school “walkers” are those students who live within 1.5 miles of the home middle school.

If your child is “open enrolled” or “school of choice” at their home middle school, you may either pick up your child at Butcher, or you may pick them up at their home middle school where walkers wait for the Butcher bus.

**Question: My child wants to participate in sports and after school activities at their home school. Will they be able to get to their home school in the afternoon?**

**Answer: Yes.** There is a bus headed to each of the home middle schools (Beer, Carter, Carleton, Grissom) in the afternoon. Your child can always take a shuttle bus back to their home middle school. Again, the end of Butcher’s school day is approximately 2:41PM.

**Question: If I choose to pick up my child at Butcher in the afternoon, where can I safely pick them up?**

**Answer:** Parents must pick up students in the afternoon in the back of the school (door #17). The back of the school includes a staff parking lot. Parent pick-up resembles an assembly line that they will follow, drive safely around, and access Cosgove Road.

