

How would you describe the start of this school year so far? How is it similar to last year? How is it different from last year? What has changed between 4<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade?

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This school year is much different from last years school start. One of the largest differences this year is that we are not online. When we where online it was hard because you had meeting that most teachers made you turn on cameras (most kids didn`t). This year we are actually in school where you can make more friends and socialize. When we where in school at the beginning of last year we had to where mask and we had to have A day and B day. The only similar thing I can think about is the 1 or 2 halls. We have lockers now and we can't carry around our back packs anymore like we had to last year. We also have several different classes called periods.