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Feinstein Middle School on Knotty Oak Road hosted an open house last night, and will do it again tonight for seventh- and eighth-graders' parents.

Coventry opens up to parents

Open houses begin in Coventry school system

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COVENTRY— Coventry schools started open houses last week, giving parents the opportunity to tour their child's school and meet their teachers. Last night, there was an open house at the Alan Shawn Feinstein Middle School for sixth graders.

"The intent of the open houses is truly for the school to be open to parents and family to meet the principle and teachers and engage with them," Superintendent Mike Almeida said. "There is a discussion and presentation around the mission of our schools and to hear about the year's initiatives."

There is another open house at the middle school tonight for seventh and eighth graders. With the number of students in the middle school, there are two different nights to accommodate the families and students attending.

On Wednesday, there will also be an open house at Tiogue Elementary School. All of the open houses are

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at 6:30 p.m.

With the many aspects of the students' curriculum, it is important for the parents to be educated on the programs and opportunities that are available to their children, according to Almeida. There is a focus on the technology with blending learning and the Google Chromebooks as well as the math program at the elementary schools, for example.

There is an opportunity for an individual appointment and meet-and-greet with teachers and parents if they want a better understanding of each classroom's expectations and curriculum.

"Each principal will have some general expectations presented," Almeida said. "They will talk about unique district-wide goals and school goals that they are going to achieve this year."

Every year Coventry Public Schools holds open houses for each school in the town. The parent and student turnout is high every year, especially for the middle schoolers, according to Almeida. He explained that even with the high numbers, he always hopes for a better turnout.

"It is an important night for all," Almeida said.