



NORTHWOOD MIDDLE

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Planning Your Education

Your school provides this course curriculum guide as a means of assisting students and parents in understanding and planning their course of study. Students are encouraged to carefully select related arts courses during the registration process. Your school's guidance counselors and teachers stand ready to assist them. Parents are invited and encouraged to actively participate by assisting their student.

Related arts classes are scheduled based upon student requests. However, due to schedule conflicts and changes in course offerings, the staff cannot guarantee that students will be scheduled for all courses they request. In addition, be aware that the school builds a master schedule and employs teachers based on students' requests; therefore, schedule changes will only be considered on a very limited basis.

Online Registration

Online Registration was implemented in 2004. It allows parents and students to request related arts courses for the next school year from home via the Internet. Families who do not have access to the Internet will be given opportunities to use school computers to register online. Parents and students should understand that requesting a related arts course through online registration does not guarantee that the student is placed in the course the next school year. Final placement in a course is dependent upon enrollment, scheduling feasibility, and teacher allocation. Parents without Internet access at home will receive a printed copy of the course curriculum guide by request. The window for students to select related arts courses online is posted by the school on the school's website and in parent newsletters. Schools will provide instructions on accessing the online registration tool.

Promotion Criteria for Grades Six, Seven, and Eight

Criterion 1: Students in grades six through eight are expected to learn, at a minimum, curriculum standards in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies, and meet attendance requirements.

Criterion 2: The student earned a minimum average grade of 60% in English language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies (if language arts is taught as a separate subject in grades 6-8, the English language arts grade will be determined by the mean of the yearly average of reading and language arts.)

End of Year Promotion Status

The following are summary designation and descriptors for end-of-year promotion status of students in grades six-eight.

Promoted – The student met all promotion criteria. The one exception is that students who fail a high school credit bearing course in middle school are promoted but must retake the course. Enrollment in these credit bearing courses will be determined by the district criteria.

Promoted - Summer School Required - The student failed to meet the criteria for one or two core academic areas, but successful performance in summer school for any deficient area was met.

IGPs, Career Clusters and Personal Pathways to Success

The South Carolina Education and Economic Development Act (EEDA) requires school districts to develop a curriculum organized around the career cluster system—16 career clusters, schools of study, and majors. In the organization of the district curriculum around the career cluster system, Greenville County Schools divided the 16 career clusters into six schools of study. These six schools of study include School of Arts, Communication and Information Technology; Business, Marketing and Management; Environmental and Agricultural Systems; Health Science; Human Resources and Services; and Industrial Manufacturing and Engineering Systems. Under each school of study a student will find related career clusters. The career clusters are then broken down into academic focus areas (majors) that students may choose based on interests and skills.

Personal Pathways to Success is the name given to this reorganization of the curriculum which is designed to help students take control of planning for their futures. Personal Pathways to Success provides the solid mix of academic and technical skills students need to compete in the global economy. It gives students a reason to achieve in school by connecting success in school with success in life. It maintains South Carolina's core academic requirements while opening up pathways to success for students no matter where they lead – to two-year colleges, four-year colleges or universities, the military, or directly into the workforce. Students, parents, and counselors work together to develop Individual Graduation Plans (IGP) that specify a student's cluster, academic focus (major), post-secondary goals, planned high school activities, and planned out-of-class activities. The Individual Graduation Plan (IGP) is a document that states the student's intentions related to courses that are taken during high school. **The IGP is initiated in the 8th grade with the choice of a cluster area. When the IGP is updated in the 10th grade, the student will select an academic focus (major) within their cluster of choice.** Students will utilize Naviance, a comprehensive college and career readiness tool, to help them align their strengths and interests to their career goals. The courses that are taken are determined by the student's interests. It can be modified over time as interests and skills develop or change. The IGP is like a road map to the future: if the student stays on course, the student will reach the destination – graduation – with all the courses, skills and experience needed to take his education or career to the next level. Each year the student, parents/guardians, and counselors will review and update the plans for the coming year. Switching clusters or majors is okay -- as the high school years progress and the student learns more about his interests and skills there are bound to be changes in choice of coursework.

Northwood: A Community of Learners!

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Northwood Middle Student Registration

2023-24 Online Registration for Students in Grades 7 & 8

Online course registration for Northwood students entering grades seven and eight for the 2023-2024 school year will be held during the week of February 21st-24th. This process allows parents and students to request related arts courses for the next school year. The Northwood Middle School Course Catalog will be listed on the school's website. Parents may use the catalog to see what courses will be offered for the 2023-24 school year.

All seventh and eighth grade students will take four core academic classes - English, Math, Science and Social Studies. Prior to registration, teachers will recommend each student for his/her English and Math classes, based on school district criteria and guidelines. During student registration, parents and students will be able to go online and view the academic courses that have been recommended by the student's teachers. If you have a question about a recommendation, please speak with your child's teacher.

During registration, students will also request related arts courses. While Northwood makes every attempt to fulfill requests, related arts requests are not guaranteed . Related arts courses are scheduled based on requests, enrollment, class size and teacher allocation. Related arts course offerings currently listed in the course catalog are tentative and may be subject to change before the 2023-24 school year.

Please contact your child's school counselor if you have any questions regarding the registration process.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday, February 21st: Online Course Catalog Available

Parents and students may view the Northwood Online Course Catalog on the school website.

Tuesday, February 21st: Student Registration Window Opens for Rising Seventh & Eighth Graders

Parents and students may view teacher recommendations and make selections for related arts courses. Current sixth and seventh grade students will register for electives at school during the week of Feb. 21st - 24th.

Wednesday, March 29th: Student Registration forms are sent home to be signed and returned to school.

Seventh and Eighth Related Arts Registration Guidelines for 2023-2024

Northwood Middle offers a variety of related arts courses. During the school day students will attend four core academic courses and two related arts courses. All students will select a Physical Education or Life Fitness course for one semester. In addition, students will have 2 options when requesting related arts courses. The options are: **1 year-long course and 1 semester course** OR **3 semester courses** . Students will also choose 2 alternate course options.

Physical Education Courses

PE/Health 7 or 8

Life Fitness 7 or 8 (This is an advanced Physical Education course that focuses on body weight movements and functional fitness. This course is designed for students interested in strength and conditioning, and weightlifting.)

7th Grade

Semester Courses (7th)

Art 7 --- #25011600

Career Education 7th --- #28301300

GTT 7 Automation & Robotics --- #28412500

Graphic Art & Design 7th --- #25991900

Spanish 7 Beginner Level --- #26501300

Semester Virtual Courses - Virtual courses have an online course instructor and require students to work independently. Parent permission forms must be completed in order to participate in this course.

Virtual Cyber Citizenship - (1 HS Elective Credit; CP Weighting)

Year-Long Courses (7th)

Band 7 --- #25311300 (Student must have participated in Band 6.)

Chorus 7 --- #25413800

Strings 7 --- #25511300 (Student must have participated in Strings 6.)

Music & Theatre --- # 2599A100

8th Grade

Semester Courses (8th)

Art 8 --- #25014100

Career Education 8th --- #28303500

Electronic Music --- #25999600

Guitar 8 --- #2539A100

GTT 8 Flight & Space --- #28418500

GTT App Creators --- #28417000

Semester Virtual Courses - Virtual courses have an online course instructor and require students to work independently. Parent permission forms must be completed in order to participate in this course.

Virtual Fundamentals of Computing (HS Course - 1 Computer Science Credit; CP Weighting)

Virtual Graphic Design (HS Course - 1 Elective Fine Arts Credit; CP Weighting)

Year-Long Courses (8th)

Art 1 --- #350101CW (HS Course - 1 Credit; CP Weighting) (Recommend student has taken art 6 or art 7)

Band 8 --- #25311500 (Student must have participated in Band 7)

Band 1 CP (#353102HW) & Band 1 Honors (#353127HW) (HS Credit; Teacher rec required)

Chorus 8 --- #25414400

Chorus 1 CP --- #354101CW (HS Course - 1 Credit; CP Weighting) (Recommend student has taken chorus 6 or chorus 7)

Music & Theatre --- #2599A100

Strings 8 --- #25513500 (Student must have participated in Strings 7)

Orchestra 1 CP (#355101CW) & Orchestra 1 Honors (#355100HW) (HS Credit; Teacher rec required)

Spanish 1 --- #365107CW (HS Course - 1 Credit; CP Weighting) - St udents must have maintained a 'C' in English.

Please note: Students who are recommended for an academic support class (Educational Support, Read180, System44, ESOL, Reading Assistance, Reading Support or Skill Building) will be placed into the

course, which occurs during a Related Arts period.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL:

Dear Students and Parents:

Welcome to Northwood Middle School! We are delighted that you will be joining us for the 2023-2024 school year. We are planning an exciting, enriching, and fun-filled academic year for you!

The teachers and staff at Northwood are committed to giving your child an outstanding education in a safe and welcoming environment. We believe it takes teachers, parents and students, working together at a high level, to make the student successful.

Success is our goal for every student at Northwood. Our school is committed to excellence through a cooperative effort on the part of everyone involved.

It is going to be a very successful and productive year at Northwood Middle School!

**Treva Lee
Principal
Northwood Middle School**

Course Descriptions

English

Title: English Studies 7th

Course Number: 20013100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

English Studies 7 is designed to prepare students for College and Career readiness as required by the South Carolina State Standards. The curriculum exposes students to a variety of genres, both literary and informational. Placement recommendations: Successful completion of grade 6

Title: English GT 7th

Course Number: 20013200

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course is designed to meet the needs of academically gifted and talented students who were identified through the standard measures implemented by The School District of Greenville County. The curriculum designed specifically for this course meets the guidelines set forth by the South Carolina State Department of Education as criteria for Gifted and Talented instruction. Students should expect to find the curriculum challenging in a number of ways: text complexity, analytical writing, problem solving, creative endeavors, and accelerated pace. PREREQUISITE: Identified as GTA (Gifted and Talented Academic).

Title: English Studies 8th

Course Number: 20013800

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

English Studies 8 is designed to prepare students for College and Career readiness as required by the South Carolina State Standards. The curriculum exposes students to a variety of genres, both literary and informational. Placement recommendations: Successful completion of grade 7

Title: Reading Assistance 7th

Course Number: 20241300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course offers students remediation and additional assistance in reading skills in support of on grade level instruction in the regular Language Arts and/or Literature classroom. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: Reading Assistance 8th

Course Number: 20243500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course offers students remediation and additional assistance in reading skills in support of on grade level instruction in the regular Language Arts and/or Literature classroom. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: Student Support Read 7

Course Number: 20261300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course offers students remediation and additional assistance in reading skills in support of on grade level instruction in the regular Language Arts and/or Literature classroom. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: Student Support Read 8

Course Number: 20263500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course offers students remediation and additional assistance in reading skills in support of on grade level instruction in the regular Language Arts and/or Literature classroom. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: English 1 Hon

Course Number: 302403HW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

English 1 Honors is a course for academically gifted students who have the ability to pursue an accelerated English program. These students may be preparing for Advanced Placement English - college level courses - in high school; therefore, the coursework will reflect more rigor than English I CP. Note: This course carries Honors GPA weighting. Prerequisites: High level of performance in reading and writing skills, ability to think critically and demonstrated enthusiasm for language arts, and/or teacher recommendation. All GTA identified students should enroll in the GT or Honors level course

Math

Title: Math 7th

Course Number: 21100500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

The emphasis in this standards-based seventh-grade course is on algebraic thinking and on extending the understanding of the real number system to include integers, rational numbers, and irrational numbers. Students will investigate applications of number theory and will acquire skills in adding, subtracting, multiplying, and dividing integers. Students will solve applied problems by using one-step equations and inequalities, percents, and proportional reasoning. Students will develop algebraic thinking by analyzing patterns to discover relationships, by representing information through symbolic, graphical, and tabular methods, and by identifying relationships that are linear. Throughout the course there is an emphasis on the SCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Math 6

Title: Math 8th

Course Number: 21100700

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This standards-based eighth grade course places strong emphasis on applications of the mathematical concepts and skills related to decimals, fractions, percents, and integers to solving a variety of real-world problems. In addition, students will extend their understanding of the concepts proportion and measurement and apply this knowledge in problem-solving situations. Students will further develop their algebraic thinking by investigating the merits and limitations of graphical, symbolic, tabular, and verbal representations of relationships. Throughout the course there is an emphasis on the SCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Math 7

Title: Math 7th/8th

Course Number: 21102000

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7 - 8

This standards-based course places strong emphasis on applications of the mathematical concepts and skills related to decimals, fractions, percents, integers, rational and irrational numbers to solving a variety of real-world problems. In addition, students will extend their understanding of the concepts proportion and measurement and apply this knowledge in problem-solving situations. Students will further develop their algebraic thinking by investigating the merits and limitations of graphical, symbolic, tabular, and verbal representations of relationships. Throughout the course there is an emphasis on the SCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Must meet district criteria including Teacher recommendation

Title: Algebra 1 Hon

Course Number: 411402HW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 7 - 12

Algebra 1 Honors students will study all of the topics included in CP Algebra 1. They will also study additional topics including step functions, transformations of absolute value functions, factoring quartic expressions in quadratic form, translating a quadratic function into vertex form, and sequences as functions. The SCCR mathematical process standards apply throughout the course and, along with content standards prescribe that students experience math as a coherent, useful, and logical subject. PREREQUISITE: Math 6/7/8, or Math 7/8, or Math 8; District Criteria; Math Teacher Recommendation

Science

Title: Science 7th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 22211300

The focus of science in seventh grade is to provide students with inquiry based experiences that develop science concepts in the following areas: Cells and Heredity-structure and function of cells and heredity; Human Systems and Disease-functions and interconnections within the human body and breakdown of these functions due to disease; Ecology-the Biotic and Abiotic Environment-interactions and responses between biotic and abiotic components and organisms; and Chemical Nature of Matter-classifications, properties and changes in matter. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of previous grade or science course

Title: Science 8th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 22513500

The focus for science in eighth grade is to provide students with inquiry based experiences that develop science concepts in the following areas: Earth's Biologic History-Earth's biologic diversity over time; Structure and Process in Earth System-materials and processes that alter the structure of Earth; Astronomy-characteristics, structure, and motions of celestial bodies in the universe; Forces and Motion-effects of forces on the motion of an object; and, Waves-properties and behaviors of waves. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of previous grade or science course

Social Studies

Title: Social Studies 7th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 23101300

Seventh grade social studies continues the study of world cultures with a focus on the changes that have occurred in Europe, Africa, Asia, and the Americas from 1600 to the present. Students examine the history, geography, and continuing changes in political and economic ideas that have shaped the world in which we live today. Students also address the growing interaction among societies developing concurrently during this period, including the exchange of ideas, beliefs, technologies, and commodities. Instruction should emphasize the elements of social studies literacy, the tools, strategies, and perspectives necessary for understanding how history, geography, economics and government are interwoven. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of previous grade or course

Title: SC/US History 8th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 23203500

Eighth grade social studies focuses on the story of the history of South Carolina and the role that the state and its people have played in the development of the United States as a nation. Students learn about the state's development during colonial times and the growth of the American ideal which led to the break with England, the rising controversy about slavery, and the Civil War. The study of the rebuilding of South Carolina after the Civil War and the continuing struggle for civil rights and justice waged by the people of South Carolina allows students to see the progress that the state has made and to appreciate the contributions that its people have made to the nation as a whole. Students also learn about the major political, economic, and social changes in South Carolina through the twentieth century and to the present in the context of national and worldwide events. Instruction should emphasize the elements of social studies literacy, the tools, strategies, and perspectives necessary for understanding how history, geography, economics and government are interwoven in our state's history. PREREQUISITE: Successful completion of previous grade or course

Arts

Title: Art 7th Beginning
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 25011600

Students will develop creative-thinking and problem-solving skills as they observe the world around them. They will explore and produce artwork including drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, arts, and crafts. A study of artists and their work will help students understand the techniques, skills, and diverse intentions of artists from many cultures and times. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Art 8th Beginning

Course Number: 25014100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

Students will refine their ability to communicate visually, manage a wide range of tools and materials, and achieve quality, style, and craftsmanship in drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and crafts. Students will have opportunities for evaluating and critiquing their own and other students' artwork as well as studying artists and analyzing their work. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Band 7th

Course Number: 25311300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course is a continuation of Band 6 for brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments. Intermediate-level middle school literature will be studied. The curriculum includes the development of fundamental skills, concepts, composition, cooperative learning, music as it relates to history and culture, and band techniques. The class will include an expectation for the purchase or rental of an instrument and individual practice at home. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: Band 6 or permission of instructor

Title: Band 8th

Course Number: 25313500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course is a continuation of Band 7 for brass, woodwind, and percussion instruments. Advanced-level middle school literature will be studied. The curriculum includes the development of fundamental skills, concepts, composition, cooperative learning, music as it relates to history and culture, and band techniques. The class will include an expectation for the purchase or rental of an instrument and individual practice at home. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: Band 7 or permission of instructor

Title: Guitar 8th

Course Number: 2539A100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course is a continuation of Guitar 7. The curriculum includes the development of fundamental skills, concepts, composition, cooperative learning, music as it relates to history and culture, and string techniques. The class will include an expectation of the purchase or rental of an instrument and individual practice at home. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: Guitar 7 or permission of the instructor

Title: Chorus 7th Beginning

Course Number: 25413800

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

The purpose of this course is to enable students to continue to develop the fundamental vocal musicianship, technical skills, and aesthetic awareness learned in Chorus 6, through the study and performance of varied middle school choral literature. The curriculum for Chorus 7 includes vocal technique, part singing, music fundamentals, and singing music of various historical and world styles through large and small group participation. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of the musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Chorus 8th Beginning

Course Number: 25414400

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

The purpose of this course is to enable students to continue to develop the fundamental vocal musicianship, technical skills, and aesthetic awareness learned in Chorus 7, through the study and performance of varied middle school choral literature. The curriculum for Chorus 8 includes vocal technique, part singing, music fundamentals, and singing music of various historical and world styles through large and small group participation. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of the musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Strings 7th

Course Number: 25511300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course is a continuation of Strings 6 for violin, viola, cello, and string bass. Intermediate-level middle school literature will be studied. The curriculum includes the development of fundamental skills, concepts, composition, cooperative learning, music as it relates to history and culture, and strings techniques. The class will include an expectation for the purchase or rental of an instrument and individual practice at home. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: Strings 6 or permission of instructor

Title: Strings 8th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 25513500

This course is a continuation of Strings 7 for violin, viola, cello, and string bass. Advanced-level middle school literature will be studied. The curriculum includes the development of fundamental skills, concepts, composition, cooperative learning, music as it relates to history and culture, and strings techniques. The class will include an expectation for the purchase or rental of an instrument and individual practice at home. Concert performances will be an outgrowth of the study of musical concepts. PREREQUISITE: Strings 7 or permission of instructor

Title: Graphic Art & Design 7th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 25991900

The purpose of this course is to challenge the students' problem solving skills through the relationship of images and fonts. Compasses, French curves, protractors and ruler knowledge will be used to solve technical projects manually. The students will also learn the basics of letter formations and typographical formats. Some projects will be enhanced with computer graphics. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Electronic Music
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 6 - 8

Course Number: 25999600

This semester class will focus on using digital audio workstations (DAWs), along with virtual instruments and effects, for producing music and designing sounds to be used in various applications. There will be heavy focus on production techniques using pre-made instrument samples and arrangements or using the student's own compositions. The class will use computer-based automation software equipped with midi controllers for real-time interactivity and external controlling of production parameters. Students will get a feel for what it would be like to produce music, score film, compose with computers, and work in sound design. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Music and Theatre
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7 - 8

Course Number: 2599A100

In this course the student will develop skills in singing, acting, and choreography. †The student will gain an understanding of the process involved in creating a musical production. The student will also recognize the aspects of the history of American musical theatre. This course combines and develops skills used in musical theatre and choral music.

Title: Art 1
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 7 - 12

Course Number: 350101CW

This introductory course provides students with problem-solving experiences in two and three-dimensional media, stressing design elements (line, shape, form, value, color, space, and texture), and design principles, (proportion, emphasis, harmony/unity, balance, rhythm/movement, contrast repetition/ pattern, and variety). Emphasis is on the development of basic skills. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Instrumental Music: Band 1
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 8 - 12

Course Number: 353102CW

This course emphasizes basic musicianship and performance techniques on individual woodwind brass and percussion instruments. Students concentrate on developing technique breath control tone quality range and proper posture. Students participate in small and large ensembles in which quality traditional and contemporary literature reinforce important musical concepts. The major emphasis of this course is on traditional concert literature. Students will have the opportunity to perform as soloists and members of ensembles. PREREQUISITE: Participation in the middle school program or private study and teacher recommendation

Title: Instrumental Music Band 1 (H)
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 8 - 12

Course Number: 353127HW

Instrumental Music: Band 1 Honors is a course designed for advanced musicians. Students entering Band 1 Honors must be able to successfully play SCBDA junior level scale and sight reading requirements and concert music ranging from grade 3 to 5. Students will be expected to consistently demonstrate a mature characteristic tone quality on their instrument. Honors band classes are performance based and as a result are directly tied to co-curricular activities. Participation in auditions and concerts out of the regular school day are required. Students enrolled in Instrumental Music: Band 1 Honors will be required to participate in winter and spring concerts, SCBDA Concert Performance Assessment, Greenville All-County Band auditions and clinic, SCBDA Region and All-State Band auditions and clinic, SCBDA Solo and Ensemble and other performances determined by the school Director of Bands.

Title: Chorus 1

Course Number: 354101CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

This is a non-auditioned course open to all students. This course emphasizes the development of basic vocal techniques and skills including: good posture, tone quality, breath support, diction, and attack and release. Attention is given to the understanding and practice of basic elements of music including music reading skills. Students may have the opportunity to sing in foreign languages while studying a variety of styles of choral music. Vocal independence is emphasized in the performance opportunities that will be given. This is considered a beginning level class and students will have the opportunity to audition for advanced choral classes after completing Chorus 1. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Orchestra 1 (H)

Course Number: 355100HW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

Orchestra 1 Honors is a course designed for advanced musicians. Students entering Orchestra 1 Honors must be able to successfully play SCMEA Orchestra Division senior level scales and sight reading requirements and concert music ranging from grade 3 to 4. Students will be expected to consistently demonstrate a mature characteristic tone quality on their instrument. Honors orchestra classes are performance-based and as a result, are directly tied to co-curricular activities. Participation in auditions and concerts out of the regular school day are required. Students enrolled in Instrumental Music: Orchestra 1 Honors will be required to participate in winter and spring concerts, SCMEA Concert Performance Assessment, Greenville All-County Orchestra auditions, Region and All-State Orchestra auditions, SCMEA Solo and Ensemble and other performances determined by the school orchestra director.

Title: Orchestra/strings 1

Course Number: 355101CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

This course is a supplementary experience for students with superior musical talents. This course emphasizes basic musicianship on individual strings or orchestra instruments. Students concentrate on developing technique, tone quality, range, and proper posture. Students receive concentrated instruction in performance techniques and have the opportunity to apply them through solo performance and chamber ensemble participation. PREREQUISITE: Participation in the middle school program or private study and teacher recommendation

Title: Art: Graphic Design

Course Number: 455400CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

This course provides students with two and three dimensional design and typographical experiences relating to visual communication. Students will learn the history of the field of graphic design. Students will create hands-on art work and do original writing for course projects. The computer is just one of the tools used in this course. Emphasis is on design elements and principles in the production of graphics used to sell, educate, motivate, or inform. Students will conceive and develop original ideas, manipulate photocopied images, and incorporate computer graphics in their designs. PREREQUISITE: Art 2

Foreign Language

Title: Spanish 7 Beginner Level

Course Number: 26501300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

Aligned with the district's vision, philosophy, and goals for world language education, this beginner course introduces students to the second language through high-quality learning experiences. Not only do students gain an understanding of what it means to learn a new language, they also experience progress over time and are likely to be motivated to continue language study. Students learn enough language to ensure that they will not be total beginners when they take another course in the same language. The goal of this course is to develop some language competence. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Spanish 1 CP

Course Number: 365107CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 7 - 12

This course prepares students to: perform interpersonal, interpretive and presentational communicative tasks within the novice high to intermediate low range on the ACTFL Proficiency scale; interpret, exchange, and present, information, concepts and ideas both within the classroom and beyond on a variety of topics including connections to other subject areas; and understand the relationship among the products, practices and perspectives of other cultures. In addition, students develop insight into their own language and culture. PREREQUISITES: None

Physical Education

Title: PE/Health 7th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 2460A100

Enrollment in this course fulfills the state law requiring 9 weeks of health education every year for all students in grades 6 - 8. Course content focuses on teaching students the information and the skills needed to become health literate, maintain and improve personal health, prevent disease, and reduce health-related risk behaviors as outlined in the SC Health and Safety Curriculum Standards. The course also focuses on evaluating, advocating, and coordinating valid resources and services to meet the needs of students, families, and communities. Course content areas include Personal Health and Wellness, Nutritional Choices, Mental Health, Preventing Injuries, Family Living, and Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: PE/Health 8th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 2460A200

Enrollment in this course fulfills the state law requiring 9 weeks of health education every year for all students in grades 6 - 8. Course content focuses on teaching students the information and the skills needed to become health literate, maintain and improve personal health, prevent disease, and reduce health-related risk behaviors as outlined in the SC Health and Safety Curriculum Standards. The course also focuses on evaluating, advocating, and coordinating valid resources and services to meet the needs of students, families, and communities. Course content areas include Personal Health and Wellness, Nutritional Choices, Mental Health, Preventing Injuries, Family Living, and Alcohol, Tobacco and Other Drugs. PREREQUISITE: None

Career and Technology

Title: GTT7 Automation & Robotics
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 27810000

Students trace the history and development of automation and robotics. They learn about structures, energy transfer, machine automation, and computer control systems. Students acquire knowledge and skills in engineering problem solving and explore requirements for careers in engineering.

Title: GTT8 App Creators
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 27821000

This unit will expose students to computer science as a means of computationally analyzing and developing solutions to authentic problems through mobile app development, and will convey the positive impact of the application of computer science to other disciplines and to society.

Title: GTT8 Flight and Space
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 27841000

The exciting world of aerospace comes alive through the Flight and Space (FS) unit. Students become engineers as they design, prototype, and test models to learn about the science of flight and what it takes to travel and live in space. They solve real-world aviation and space challenges and plan a mission to Mars.

Title: Career Education 7th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 28301300

This course introduces the students to the careers that are available to them after their education. Students are given a chance to research and explore various careers as well as learn about the skills that are needed for a particular occupation. During this time, the students are also introduced to the career clusters that are used in the district. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Career Education 8th
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 28303500

This course introduces the students to the careers that are available to them after their education. Students are given a chance to research and explore various careers as well as learn about the skills that are needed for a particular occupation. During this time, the students are also introduced to the career clusters that are used in the district. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Fundamentals of Computing

Course Number: 502305CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

This course of study is designed to allow students to explore a variety of computer science topics, such as web design, human computer interactions, programming, and problem solving. Optional topics include mobile applications, robotics, and digital animation. Students will develop critical thinking, logic, and problem solving skills relevant to today's technology.

Miscellaneous

Title: Life Fitness 7th

Course Number: 24991500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

Life Fitness is a related arts class taught through the physical education department. It focuses on nutrition, exercise, along with cardiovascular and strength building activities. The purpose of the class is to encourage habits that lead to healthy, active adult life.

PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Life Fitness 8th

Course Number: 24993700

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

Life Fitness is a related arts class taught through the physical education department. It focuses on nutrition, exercise, along with cardiovascular and strength building activities. The purpose of the class is to encourage habits that lead to healthy, active adult life.

PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Study Topics 7th

Course Number: 27991600

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course focuses on skills that students need to make better and more efficient use of study time. Students will actively engage in learning time management skills, study techniques, organizational skills, and test-taking strategies to strengthen their performance in the classroom.

PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Skill Building 7th

Course Number: 27991700

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course focuses on skills that students need to make better and more efficient use of study time. Students will actively engage in learning time management skills, study techniques, organizational skills, test-taking strategies, as well as other topics that will strengthen their performance in the classroom. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Character Ed 7th

Course Number: 27991800

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

Character Education is a related arts class where students participate in activity based on universal virtues such as, integrity, cooperation, respect, and responsibility in order to make healthy and caring decisions and to develop self discipline that leads to a lifetime of success in all areas of life. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: ESOL 7th

Course Number: 27991900

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course is designed for the student who has a primary language other than English, and is not proficient in listening, speaking, reading, writing, or comprehension in the English speaking classroom. Instruction will be provided in the areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing, and comprehension to assist students in classrooms where English is the language of instruction. Students will receive skills to aid in the transition to all academic areas, as well as help in the preparation for middle school formal tests. Limited English proficiency should be determined by an approved language assessment instrument. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: Study Topics 8th

Course Number: 27994000

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course focuses on skills that students need to make better and more efficient use of study time. Students will actively engage in learning time management skills, study techniques, organizational skills, and test-taking strategies to strengthen their performance in the classroom.

PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Skill Building 8th

Course Number: 27994100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course focuses on skills that students need to make better and more efficient use of study time. Students will actively engage in learning time management skills, study techniques, organizational skills, test-taking strategies, as well as other topics that will strengthen their performance in the classroom. PREREQUISITE: None

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Title: Character Ed 8th

Course Number: 27994200

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

Character Education is a related arts class where students participate in activity based on universal virtues such as, integrity, cooperation, respect, and responsibility in order to make healthy and caring decisions and to develop self discipline that leads to a lifetime of success in all areas of life. PREREQUISITE: None

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Title: ESOL 8th

Course Number: 27994400

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course is designed for the student who has a primary language other than English, and is not proficient in listening, speaking, reading, writing, or comprehension in the English speaking classroom. Instruction will be provided in the areas of listening, speaking, reading, writing, and comprehension to assist students in classrooms where English is the language of instruction. Students will receive skills to aid in the transition to all academic areas, as well as help in the preparation for middle school formal tests. Limited English proficiency should be determined by an approved language assessment instrument. PREREQUISITE: Guidance Placement

Title: Cyber Citizenship

Course Number: 379924CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 7 - 12

This course will prepare students to be responsible digital citizens with a focus on implementing the 2016 ISTE Standards for Students. The 2016 ISTE Standards for Students emphasize the skills and qualities we want for students, enabling them to engage and thrive in a connected, digital world. This course will include lessons on digital citizenship, information literacy and media literacy to equip students to become ethical, knowledgeable and empowered digital citizens so that they may use tech wisely and confidently. It will provide students with strategies to protect themselves from online dangers and focus on the behaviors associated with constructive digital media use in order to create a positive personal and professional presence on the internet. Topics will include, but not be limited to, cyberbullying, understanding mobile apps, privacy, communicating safely, instant messaging and email, social networking, and establishing a positive digital footprint.