



Riverside Middle School

"All for One & One for All!"

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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.

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7th Grade Academic Courses

All 7th grade students are required to take English, math, science, social studies, and physical education. In addition, students will request either three semester-long related arts courses **OR** one year-long related arts course **AND** one semester-long related arts course. Placement in English and math classes is determined by district criteria for each of these classes. Current English and math teachers are responsible for completing recommendations for their students. These recommendations will be visible to students and parents during the on-line registration process. You will have the opportunity to review all academic course recommendations and assist your student with the requests of their related arts courses.

LANGUAGE ARTS REQUIREMENT 1 Required

English Studies 7

English GT 7

MATH REQUIREMENT 1 Required

Math 7

Math 7/8

SCIENCE REQUIREMENT 1 Required

Science 7

SOCIAL STUDIES REQUIREMENT 1 Required

Social Studies 7

NOTE: Any concerns with academic placement must be addressed through the override process with the current teacher and completed by March 26th.

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7th Grade Related Arts Courses

Students will have the opportunity to take a variety of related arts courses and explore different interests during their three years at Riverside Middle. In addition to their four core academic classes and one semester of PE, students will request either three semester-long related arts courses and one year-long related arts course **OR** 5 semester-long related arts courses. You will have the opportunity to review all academic course recommendations and make changes to any related arts requests on the Student Backpack.

NOTE: Related arts classes are scheduled based on course requests, enrollment numbers, teacher allocation, and class size.

REQUIRED RELATED ARTS COURSE

Physical Education 7 (semester)

YEAR-LONG RELATED ARTS COURSES

Band 7 (teacher recommendation required)

Strings 7 (teacher recommendation required)

Reading Assistance (teacher recommendation required)

Literacy Lab (teacher recommendation required)

Intensive Literacy Lab (teacher recommendation required)

ESOL 7 (teacher recommendation required)

SEMESTER-LONG RELATED ARTS COURSES

Art 7

Career Education 7

Chorus 7 Beginning

GTT 7 Automation & Robotics

Guitar 7

Guitar 7 Advanced

Introduction to Health Professions

Responsible Teen Leadership

Spanish 7 Beginning Level

Theatre 7 Beginning

Virtual Fundamentals of Computing (virtual high school credit computer course taught by a virtual teacher and taken in our computer lab during a related arts period--1 high school computer science credit)

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8th Grade Academic Courses

All 8th grade students are required to take English, Math, Science, Social Studies, and Physical Education. In addition, students will request either three semester-long related arts courses and one year-long related arts course **OR** five semester-long related arts courses. Placement in English and Math classes is determined by district criteria. Current English and Math teachers are responsible for completing recommendations for their students. These recommendations will be visible to students and parents during the on-line registration process. You will have the opportunity to review all academic course recommendations and assist your student with the requests of their related arts courses.

LANGUAGE ARTS REQUIREMENT 1 Required

English Studies 8

English I Honors (1 high school English credit)

MATH REQUIREMENT 1 Required

Math 8

Algebra I Honors (1 high school math credit)

Geometry Honors (1 high school math credit)

SCIENCE REQUIREMENT 1 Required

Science 8

SOCIAL STUDIES REQUIREMENT 1 Required

SC/US History 8

NOTE: Any concerns with academic placement must be addressed through the override process with the current teacher and completed by March 26th.

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8th Grade Related Arts Courses

Students will have the opportunity to take a variety of related arts courses and explore different interests during their time at Riverside Middle School. In addition to the four core academic classes and one semester of PE, students will request either three semester-long related arts courses and one year-long related arts course **OR** five semester-long related arts courses. You will have the opportunity to review all academic course recommendations and assist your student with the requests of their related arts requests.

NOTE: Related arts classes are scheduled based on course requests, enrollment numbers, teacher allocation, and class size.

REQUIRED RELATED ARTS COURSE

Physical Education 8 (semester)

YEAR LONG RELATED ARTS COURSES

Art 1 CP (1 high school credit)

Art 1 H (1 high school credit)

Band 8 (teacher recommendation required)

Band 1 CP (1 high school credit AND teacher recommendation required)

Band 1 H (1 high school credit AND teacher recommendation required)

Intensive Literacy Lab (teacher recommendation required)

Literacy Lab (teacher recommendation required)

ESOL 8 (teacher recommendation required)

Spanish 1 CP (1 high school credit)

Strings 8 (teacher recommendation required)

Strings/Orchestra 1 CP (1 high school credit AND teacher recommendation required)

Strings/Orchestra 1 H (1 high school credit AND teacher recommendation required)

Theatre 1 CP (1 high school credit)

SEMESTER LONG RELATED ARTS COURSES

Art 8

Career Education 8

Chorus 8 Beginner

Creative Writing 8

GTT 8 Automation & Robotics

Guitar 8

Guitar 8 Advanced

Introduction to Health Professions

Theatre 8

Visionary Teen Leadership

Yearbook (teacher recommendation required)

Virtual Fundamentals of Computing (virtual high school credit computer course taught by a virtual teacher and taken in our computer lab during a related arts period--1 high school computer science credit)

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: Yearbook 8th

Course Number: 20994100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

The main purpose of this class is to produce the yearbook for the school. In fulfilling this goal, many skills are introduced and/or developed. Organization, self-motivation, precise writing, and time management are major elements of this class. Computer skills, photography skills, and interpersonal skills are also key in the production of the yearbook. Students do not need to come into this class with these skills fully developed, but they do need to have the desire to develop them. PREREQUISITE: Teacher Recommendation and application process

Title: Creative Writing 8th

Course Number: 20994400

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course, designed for students interested in written expression, includes a study of the various forms of poetry, fiction, and nonfiction. Students will create portfolios of their own creative writing and experiment with various forms of expression. PREREQUISITE: None

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 7
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 21100500

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 SCCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Math 6

Title: Math 8
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 21100700

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 SCCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Math 7

Title: Math 7/8
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7 - 8

Course Number: 21102000

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 SCCCR mathematical process standards of problem-solving, communication, reasoning, representations, and connections. PREREQUISITE: Must meet district criteria including Teacher recommendation

Title: Algebra 1 Hon
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 7 - 12

Course Number: 411402HW

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 SCCCR 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

Title: Geometry Hon
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 8 - 12

Course Number: 412202HW

Geometry Honors students study all of the topics included in CP Geometry. Honors students will study additional topics including truth tables, triangle centers, Euler's line, Law of Sines, Law of Cosines, and Cavalieri's Principle. The SCCCR mathematical process standards apply throughout the course and, together with the content standards, prescribe that students experience mathematics as a coherent, useful, and logical subject that makes use of their ability to make sense of problem situations. PREREQUISITE: Algebra 1; District Criteria; Math Teacher Recommendation

Science

Title: Science 7
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 8
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 7
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 8
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: Theatre 7th Beginning

Course Number: 25213800

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course explores theater arts through the use of creative dramatics, diction, vocal expression, improvisation, dramatization, technical theatre, audience etiquette, and theatre appreciation. Performances will be an outgrowth of study. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Theatre 8th Beginning

Course Number: 25214400

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

This course explores theater arts through the use of creative dramatics, diction, vocal expression, improvisation, dramatization, technical theatre, audience etiquette, and theatre appreciation. Performances will be an outgrowth of study. 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 7th

Course Number: 2538A100

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This course is a continuation of Guitar 6. 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 6 or permission of instructor

Title: Guitar 7th Advanced

Course Number: 2538A200

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

This is an elective course for intermediate guitarists who have some experience on the instrument and are able to read standard music notation. Students will learn open chords, power chords, movable chords, single note (melody) playing, accompaniment techniques, and a variety of playing techniques and styles, including both pickstyle and fingerstyle approaches to the guitar. The course also includes music fundamentals, theory, songs, performances, listening, improvising, and learning to read standard music notation as well as tablature. The main focus of this class is ensemble performance and competition. There is also an emphasis on solo classical guitar performance.

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

Course Number: 2539A100

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: Guitar 8th Advanced
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 2539A200

This is an elective course for intermediate guitarists who have some experience on the instrument and are able to read standard music notation. Students will learn open chords, power chords, movable chords, single note (melody) playing, accompaniment techniques, and a variety of playing techniques and styles, including both pickstyle and fingerstyle approaches to the guitar. The course also includes music fundamentals, theory, songs, performances, listening, improvising, and learning to read standard music notation as well as tablature. The main focus of this class is ensemble performance and competition. There is also an emphasis on solo classical guitar performance.

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

Course Number: 25413800

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
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 25414400

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
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 25511300

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: 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

Course Number: 353102CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

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)

Course Number: 353127HW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

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: 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: Theatre 1

Course Number: 452101CW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

In this course students will develop basic skills and techniques of set design, acting, and directing and will participate in all aspects of a production. Intense study of a variety of plays and dramatic forms will be included. Students may be required to attend plays as assigned by the teacher/director. **PREREQUISITE:** None

Title: Art 1 Honors

Course Number: 459999HW

Unit Credit: 1

Grade Level: 8 - 12

Art I Honors is an advanced study of the elements and principles of art that integrates a study of art history and art criticism while building on a student's art knowledge and skills. Each assignment relates to movements or artists from art history and is a problem-solving exercise that explores various mediums and ideas. Through personal exploration of mediums, individual research, working through visual problems in a sketchbook, and creating works as both individuals and as teams, students will enhance their abilities in strong composition, techniques, and processes as they build a portfolio that exhibits growth within their work.

Foreign Language

Title: Spanish 7 Beginner Level
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 26501300

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
Unit Credit: 1
Grade Level: 7 - 12

Course Number: 365107CW

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: Phys Education 7
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 7

Course Number: 24401300

Enrollment in this course fulfills the regulation that all students will complete one quarter of physical education each year in grades 6 - 8. Course content focuses on teaching students the four SC Middle School PE Student Performance criteria as mandated by the SC Department of Education. Students will demonstrate the abilities, concepts, knowledge, and skills required to:1) demonstrate competence in modified versions of activities in three movement forms as identified in the SCPEAP standards;2) demonstrate knowledge of the five components of fitness and the F.I.T.T. principle on a written test;3) participate regularly in health-enhancing physical activity outside the physical education class;4) meet the gender and age group health-related physical fitness standard as described by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education. PREREQUISITE: None

Title: Phys Education 8
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 24403500

Enrollment in this course fulfills the regulation that all students will complete one quarter of physical education each year in grades 6 - 8. Course content focuses on teaching students the four SC Middle School PE Student Performance criteria as mandated by the SC Department of Education. Students will demonstrate the abilities, concepts, knowledge, and skills required to:1) demonstrate competence in modified versions of activities in three movement forms as identified in the SCPEAP standards;2) demonstrate knowledge of the five components of fitness and the F.I.T.T. principle on a written test;3) participate regularly in health-enhancing physical activity outside the physical education class;4) meet the gender and age group health-related physical fitness standard as described by the National Association for Sport and Physical Education. 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 Automation & Robotics
Unit Credit: 0
Grade Level: 8

Course Number: 27811000

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: Career Education 7th

Course Number: 28301300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7

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

Course Number: 28303500

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 8

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: Introduction to Health Professions

Course Number: 28392000

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 7 - 8

This course provides students with an introduction to many healthcare careers and the safety procedures and interpersonal communication skills required for them. The course will enable students to receive initial exposure to healthcare science skills; attitudes applicable to healthcare including the concepts of health, wellness, and preventative care; and responsibilities of today's healthcare provider.

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: Visionary Teen Leadership

Course Number: 27991300

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 6 - 8

Teen Leadership begins with a review of concepts learned in Foundational Teen Leadership, so that trust and safety can be established in a new setting, with new classmates. The course continues with Chapters 8 and 9 of the Teen Leadership Curriculum, covering: the importance of affirmation and listening skills; making meaningful relationships; understanding family types; the influence of vision on the future; developing a vision; how one's approach to life determines how one accepts responsibility, and how it affects reaction to people and events; balancing dreams with reality; and, having a sense of purpose. With each chapter, students continue to develop confidence and build skills in delivering speeches. Each instructor will have Capturing Kids' Hearts training and be curriculum certified by the Flippen Group.

Title: Responsible Teen Leadership

Course Number: 27991400

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 6 - 8

Responsible Teen Leadership begins with a review of concepts learned in Foundational Teen Leadership, so that trust and safety can be established in a new setting, with new classmates. The course continues with Chapters 5, 6, and 7 of the Teen Leadership Curriculum, covering: the connections between choices and consequences; taking responsibility for their one's own actions; what it means to live a principled life; examination and practice of concepts of effective communication; positive and negative peer pressure; and, defending and rescuing skills. With each chapter, students continue to develop confidence and build skills in delivering speeches. Each instructor will have Capturing Kids' Hearts training and be curriculum certified by the Flippen Group.

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: 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: Foundational Teen Leadership

Course Number: 27998200

Unit Credit: 0

Grade Level: 6 - 8

Foundational Teen Leadership is composed of the first four chapters of the Teen Leadership curriculum created by the Flippen Group, and is designed to produce quality leaders. The course covers: goals and relationships; the importance of first impressions; the process of reframing; internal and external qualities of leaders; emotional intelligence; the difference between image and self-concept; the relationship between public self and private self; the importance of values to leaders; and, community service. With each chapter, students develop confidence and build skills in delivering speeches. Each instructor will have Capturing Kids' Hearts training and be curriculum certified by the Flippen Group.