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NEWTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

2017 – 2018 COURSE INFORMATION MEETING

Ready For 7th Grade?



**Get the whooping cough shot
if you haven't had it yet!**

The Tdap vaccine is required for all 7th graders. Your school
will need your vaccine records. Talk with your doctor today.

ShotsForSchool.org



The image features three colored squares arranged horizontally on a dark blue background. The background is decorated with faint, light blue geometric patterns, including concentric circles, arcs, and dashed lines. The first square on the left is orange and contains the text 'Rigorous Curriculum'. The middle square is green and contains the text 'Enrichment Opportunities'. The third square on the right is blue and contains the text 'Positive & Safe Climate'.

**Rigorous
Curriculum**

**Enrichment
Opportunities**

**Positive &
Safe Climate**

ELECTIVES

COURSE	GRADE LEVEL	LENGTH
BAND (BEG, INT, & ADV)	6 th – 8 th	Yearlong
INTRO TO ART	6 th – 8 th	Yearlong
ADVANCED ART	6 th – 8 th	Yearlong
STEAM/3D MODELING WHEEL	7 th – 8 th	Semester
SEAPERCH / SPANISH WHEEL	7 th – 8 th	Semester
VIDEO PROD / ART WHEEL	6 th – 8 th	Semester
JOURNALISM/ART/CHINESE WHEEL	6 th – 8 th	12 Weeks
SPEECH & DEBATE/ART/CHINESE WHEEL	6 th – 8 th	12 Weeks
TEACHER AIDE	7 th – 8 th	Yearlong
OFFICE AIDE	7 th – 8 th	Yearlong
<i>Zero Period HS Spanish 1 (7AM)</i>	8 th	Yearlong
<i>Chinese 1</i>	6 th – 8 th	Yearlong



ELA PATHWAYS

- ELA 6 H
- ELA 6

- ELA 7 H
- ELA 7

- ELA 8 H
- ELA 8

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PATHWAYS

- SPANISH CULTURE
- CHINESE CULTURE

- SPANISH 1
- CHINESE 1

- SPANISH 2
- CHINESE
(Independent
Study)



NEXT GENERATION
SCIENCE
STANDARDS

HONORS

- English, Math, Social Science, & Science
- Honors classes develop and strengthen critical thinking skills for the 21st century that enable them to be successful in Honors and AP classes at the high school level and beyond. The Honors level course is a rigorous endeavor most appropriate for highly motivated and responsible students whose academic abilities and talents allow for faster pace and greater in-depth instruction. Honors classes follow district curriculum framework; however, the enhanced curriculum provides for the differentiation in the level of analysis and utilization of information. The course will require additional reading, research, essays, presentations, projects, and formative and summative assessments. (ELA Honors)

Newton MS Characteristics of an Honors Students

Honors level Work Habits and Skills

Above all, this student is a self-starter. He/she does not need to be prodded to do his/her work, since this student is interested in the subject matter and wants to do a good job. The grade is not primary motivation for learning. The student also:

- *Has consistent attendance.*
- *Does all assigned work and turns it in on time.*
- *Is organized and manages time and materials well.*
- *Enjoys learning.*
- *Takes pride in his/her work and presents work that is complete and legible.*
- *Is able to work both independently and in groups. He/she is able to cooperate and be a contributing member of both heterogeneous and homogenous groups*
- *Is above average in writing skills and knowledgeable in the rules of standard written English.*
- *Responds positively to constructive guidance.*
- *Wants to be in an advanced-level course.*
- *Is responsible and accepts the consequences of his/her actions without trying to blame others.*
- *Is accepting of the differences of others and welcomes the input of others in class discussions and in group work. He/she also freely gives positive input in class discussions and groups work.*

ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS

- Science Olympiad
- Speech & Debate Team
- Math Competition Team
- National History Day
- Newton Care Club
- Chess Club
- CJSF (California Scholarship Federation)
- Video Game Design
- Good News Club
- Video Production
- Computer Coding
- Pokémon Club
- Intro to Blogging
- AutoCAD
- Color Guard
- Choir
- Dance
- Cheer

ATHLETICS

- Fall: Football, Volleyball & Cross-country
- Winter: Girls' & Boys' Basketball
- Spring: Softball & Soccer
- Intramural sports

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It is a great day to be a Knight!!!