

# 2023-24 MIDDLE SCHOOL CURRICULAR PROGRESSION

Grade 5	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8
Humanities: English 5 and Social Studies 5 "The Journey"	Humanities: English 6 and Social Studies 6 "Identity, Community, and Belief"	Humanities: English 7 and History 7 "The American Story"	Humanities: English 8 and History 8 "Global Perspectives on Human Connections"
Science 5: Introduction to Biology, Chemistry and Physics	Science 6: Biology, Chemistry, and Physics	Science 7: The Big History of Earth	Science 8: The Big History of Life
Math 5	Math 6	Math 7 with an earned-advanced option	Math 8 Advanced Math 8
Spanish 5 French 5	Spanish 6 French 6	Spanish 7 French 7	Spanish 8 Introduction to Spanish French 8
Physical Education/Health 5	Physical Education/Health 6	Middle School Athletics/Health 7	Middle School Athletics/Health 8
All students are enrolled in all of the following arts courses: Strings 5 Music and Movement 5 Visual Arts 5 Theatre 5 All students take all — one class per week.	Students select either orchestra or choir as a primary focus: Haydn Orchestra OR Choir In addition to orchestra or choir, all students take Visual Arts 6 and Theatre 6.	Students choose an art elective for the year: Mozart Orchestra 7 & 8 Visual Arts 7 & 8 Sainly Voices 7 & 8 Theatre & Film 7 & 8 Additional art courses are available through the Quest Program.	Students choose an art elective for the year. They may repeat their Grade 7 choice or make a new selection: Mozart Orchestra 7 & 8 Visual Arts 7 & 8 Sainly Voices 7 & 8 Theatre & Film 7 & 8 Additional art courses are available through the Quest Program.

**Math 7 earned-advanced option:** Students have the opportunity to extend their work beyond course expectations to earn advanced credit. All students are candidates for advanced credit. Students pursuing advanced credit must first show mastery of class-taught concepts and express a desire to apply their understanding in original ways.

**Middle School Athletics:** In Grades 7 and 8, students choose between participation on a team sport at School, a non-competitive fitness activity at school, or a non-school-sponsored physical activity. Two seasons of athletic engagement are required.

Quests 7 & 8

**Languages:** Students have the option to take French or Spanish and make a commitment to sustain language study in the chosen language for the four years of Middle School. Spanish and French 7 & 8 is equivalent to the Upper School French or Spanish I course. Newly enrolled Grade 8 students may select an Introduction to Spanish course, or, with the successful completion of a placement test, be placed into Spanish 8 or French 8.