



## ACTIVITY PERIOD

During 8th Period, students get to choose an activity in an area of interest. Sample periods include:

Student Council	Yearbook
Study Hall	Tutoring
Spanish Club	Environmental Club
Drama Club	Math Club
Art Club	Advising
Mini Courses	Hockey
	Ping Pong

## FIELD STUDIES

Sumner Academy Middle School Students are engaged in learning outside of the classroom on several Field Studies throughout the year. Examples of such experiences include:

### Major Trips

Barrier Island  
Williamsburg, VA  
YMCA  
Local Field Trips

Nashville Children's Theater	TPAC
Adventure Science Center	Symphony
Mansker Station	TN State Museum
Mexican Restaurant (for Spanish)	

School Day: 7:55 A.M. - 3:05 P.M.

Before Care: beginning at 7:00 A.M.

After Care: until 5:45 P.M.

## ENRICHMENT

Middle School students attend Related Arts classes for 9-week periods. This allows students to complete in-depth projects.

Art

Health

Computer

Music

Additionally, students in 7th and 8th Grades attend Physical Education 2-3 days per week.

## EXPLORE



At Sumner Academy, we believe students learn by doing, not just hearing.

Students discover scientific principles and construct knowledge on their own while conducting experiments. Strawberry DNA extraction and dissections are among the many favorite Science activities. Students are not taught what to think, but how to think through critical thinking.



Whether participating in Volunteer Day, collecting items for shelters, visiting museums, spending time at a working farm, enjoying athletic or academic competition, creating a silent movie, painting a portrait, or helping younger students, Sumner Academy students enjoy unique opportunities to learn and grow.

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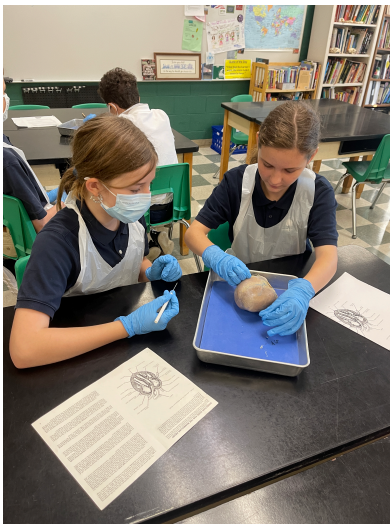
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8th Graders are leaders in our school

Upper Middle School  
**Grades 7 and 8**





MS Students enjoy hands on Science.

## ENRICHMENT

Upper Middle School Students benefit from varied experiences and elements of the Middle School program. These features include:

Summer Reading  
Career Day  
Sports Teams

CTP4 Achievement Tests  
Numerous Competitions  
National Spanish Exam

At Sumner Academy, parents are viewed as partners in the education of children. Grades and assignments are posted Online through a password-protected service called RenWeb, enabling parents to track students' progress.

## MAJOR RESEARCH

Science Fair Research Project (7th)

Culminating Project (8th) related to  
Tennessee



"Small class size, **nurturing** environment, Teachers are incredibly **passionate** and know each child very well... It's a beautiful, well-kept campus where you'd like to spend 7 hours a day of your childhood Mon-Fri... Safe place where **imagination** and **learning** are **encouraged**. Community has a village feel, everyone **cares**."

-Current Parent

## MATHEMATICS

Sumner Academy math integrate and distribute traditional units, giving students time to learn and practice skills throughout the year, master content, and develop algebraic thinking.

Algebra 2 is also available.



## LITERATURE

Realms of Gold, Levels 2 & 3  
Essays, Short Stories and Poems

Seventh-Grade Novels and Biography

Hiroshima  
The Code Talkers

Eighth-Grade Novels and Biography

Animal Farm The  
Good Earth A  
Raisin in the Sun

Shakespeare Performances

Macbeth (7th)  
A Midsummer Night's Dream (8th)

Honors Levels of literature at both grades  
add additional pieces of literature.

## SOCIAL STUDIES

Primary Source

- TN History for Kids Booklets
- Teacher-Created Online Resources

## SPANISH

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High School Spanish 1A (7th)

High School Spanish 1B (8th) Honors  
available for 8th Grade

## English

Modern Curriculum Press: Spelling  
Workout Elements of Language

1<sup>st</sup> Course  
2<sup>nd</sup> Course