# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Offering 2018-2019

#### **ENGLISH**

COURSE TITLE: ENGLISH 7

COURSE DATA: Year REQUIRED:

COURSE This class focuses on four main areas of language arts:

DESCRIPTION: Language – reading a variety of short stories, poetry, plays, nonfiction,

folktales

Grammar – daily oral language and grammar lessons

Spelling – weekly lists that emphasize roots, affixes, and etymology Writing – narrative, persuasive, informative, descriptive, as well as daily

journal.

## **SOCIAL**

COURSE TITLE: SOCIAL STUDIES 7

COURSE DATA: Year REQUIRED:

COURSE Grade seven features history as the lead discipline with a strong

DESCRIPTION: Secondary emphasis on citizenship and government. The interdisciplinary

"Studies" approach is further enhanced with important economics and geography content that round out the study of United States history. Students learn about people, issues and events of significance to this nation's history from 1800 to the current era of globalization. They examine the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution and the Bill of Rights, and Supreme Court decisions for their lasting impact on the American people, economy and governance structure. Students study civics and economic principles in depth, drawing connections between these disciplines and history to explain the impact of various policies on how people lived, worked and functioned in society. They create and use detailed maps of places in the United States and conduct historical

inquiry on a topic in the nation's history.

#### MATH

COURSE TITLE: **MATH 7** 

COURSE DATA: Year **REQUIRED:** 

**COURSE** 

Math is a class designed to solidify the arithmetic students already know **DESCRIPTION:** and prepare them for Algebra and Geometry. Topics to be covered include: decimal notation, measurement, beginning algebra, problem

solving, addition, subtraction, multiplication, and division.

**SCIENCE** 

COURSE TITLE: **LIFE SCIENCE** 

COURSE DATA: Year **REQUIRED:** 

COURSE

This class is devoted to the study of living organisms. It begins with **DESCRIPTION:** studying individual cells and continues on to study the vast variety of

living things; including bacteria, protists, fungi, plants and animals.

PE/HEALTH

COURSE TITLE: PHYSICAL EDUCATION

**REOUIRED:** COURSE DATA: Year

**COURSE** 

Physical Education 7 focus is to promote lifelong fitness through individual and team activities. This class will provide opportunities for DESCRIPTION:

students to gain knowledge of various sports, increase skill level, and understand the importance of teamwork. Students will gain social skills

through interaction with peers in a fun, competitive environment.

**COURSE TITLE: HEALTH** 

COURSE DATA: Year REQUIRED:

**COURSE** 

This class attempts to build a bridge between middle school and high DESCRIPTION: school health with a strong emphasis on life skills: being a wise

consumer, assessing your health, communicating effectively, coping, and evaluating media messages, making good decisions, practicing wellness, setting goals and refusal skills. The course includes, but not limited to,

the following topics: health and wellness, decision making,

communication skills, self-esteem, healthy relationships, managing stress, physical fitness, nutrition, infectious and non-infectious diseases

and personal safety.

## **OUARTERLY COURSES**

**COURSE TITLE: ART 7** 

COURSE DATA: Quarter REQUIRED:

**COURSE** 

This class will begin exploring how art is created with the use of art elements and principals through a study of artists and their work. We DESCRIPTION:

will apply this information by creating visual art forms with a variety of

different art mediums.

**COURSE TITLE: KEYBOARDING 7** 

COURSE DATA: Ouarter REQUIRED:

**COURSE** This course will improve keyboarding skills by using the computer to

> prepare basic school documents. It will focus on the basics of operating a computer, learning the keyboard by touch, and introducing basic word processing and communication applications. Students will also learn

units on correct e-mail etiquette and internet safety.

**COURSE TITLE: COMMUNITCATIONS ART** 

COURSE DATA: Ouarter **REQUIRED:** 

**COURSE** 

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**COURSE TITLE:** SECOND SCOOP MATH

COURSE DATA: **REQUIRED:** Quarter

**COURSE** 

DESCRIPTION:

**COURSE TITLE: SPANISH** 

COURSE DATA: Semester **REQUIRED:** 

COURSE Students will build upon vocabulary learned in elementary Spanish.

Students will use vocabulary in short conversational exchanges. Students DESCRIPTION:

will listen to popular and traditional music and study life in the Spanish

speaking world.

**COURSE TITLE STEM 7** REQUIRED Semester

DESCRIPTION: Introductory course on STEM.

# **ELECTIVE ARTS**

COURSE TITLE: **CONCERT BAND** 

COURSE DATA: Year EOD **ELECTIVE:** 

**COURSE** 

The Concert Band consists of 7<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade instrumental students. **DESCRIPTION:** The Varsity Band students study a variety of band literature and perform

at concerts. In addition to performance, the curriculum focuses on

understanding music theory, analyzing, critiquing, and composing music. Students receive no less than four private/group lessons each quarter. The band meets every other day for a full year. Participation in concerts

is required.

**COURSE TITLE: CONCERT CHOIR** 

**COURSE DATA:** Year EOD **ELECTIVE:** 

**COURSE** 

This choir, consisting of 7th-8th grade students, gives students the opportunity to experience the process and expression of musical thought **DESCRIPTION:** 

in a large group setting. Each student will show basic music knowledge through performance and lessons. Critiquing, analyzing, communicating artistic intent will be included in the course curriculum. Students will receive no less than four lessons every quarter and have opportunities to perform in various ensembles and participate in solo & ensemble festivals. Sight-reading and ear training will be an integral part of vocal lessons. Participation in concerts is required. Choir meets every

other day for a full year.