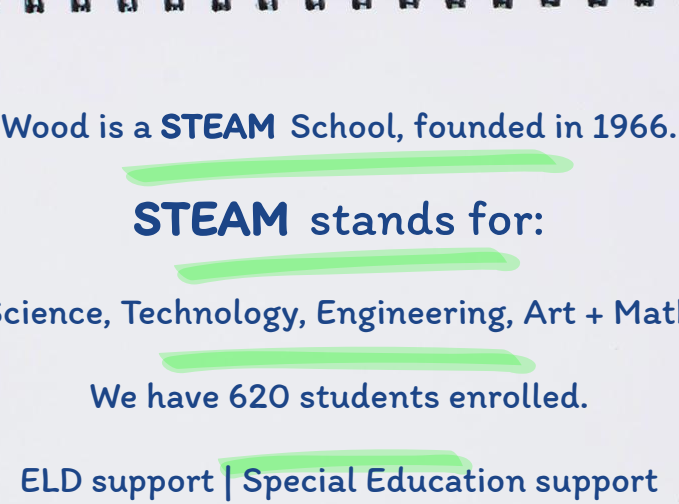




Will C. Wood

Information Night

Jessica Lucio, Principal | Rob Picciotto, Assistant Principal | 24-25



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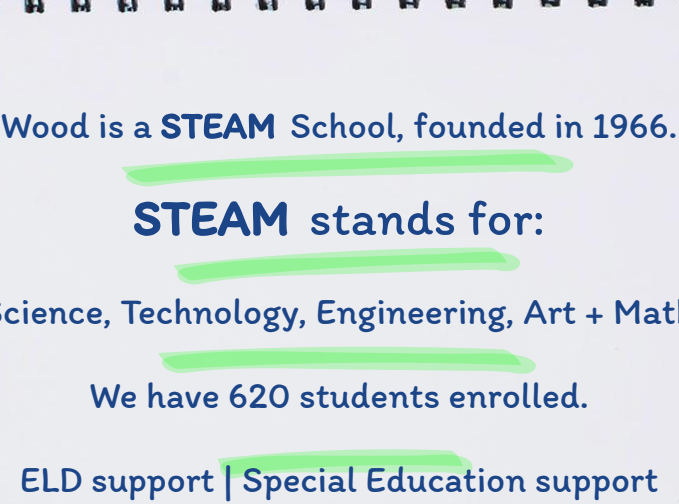
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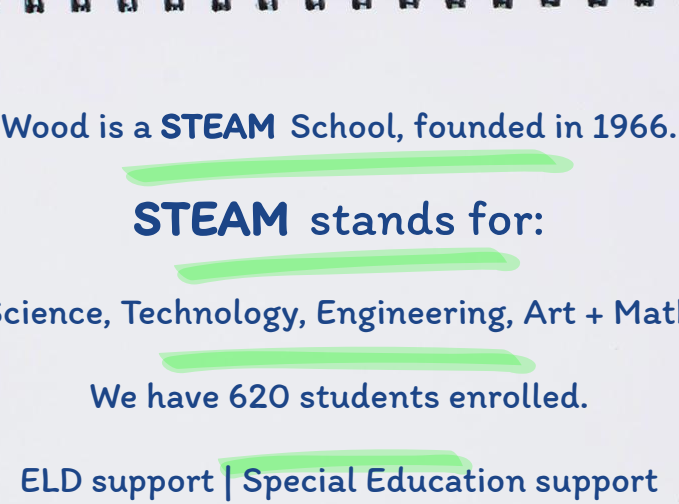
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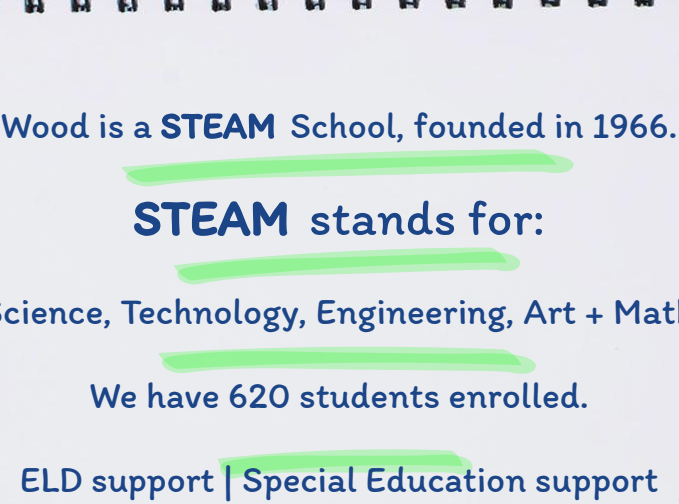
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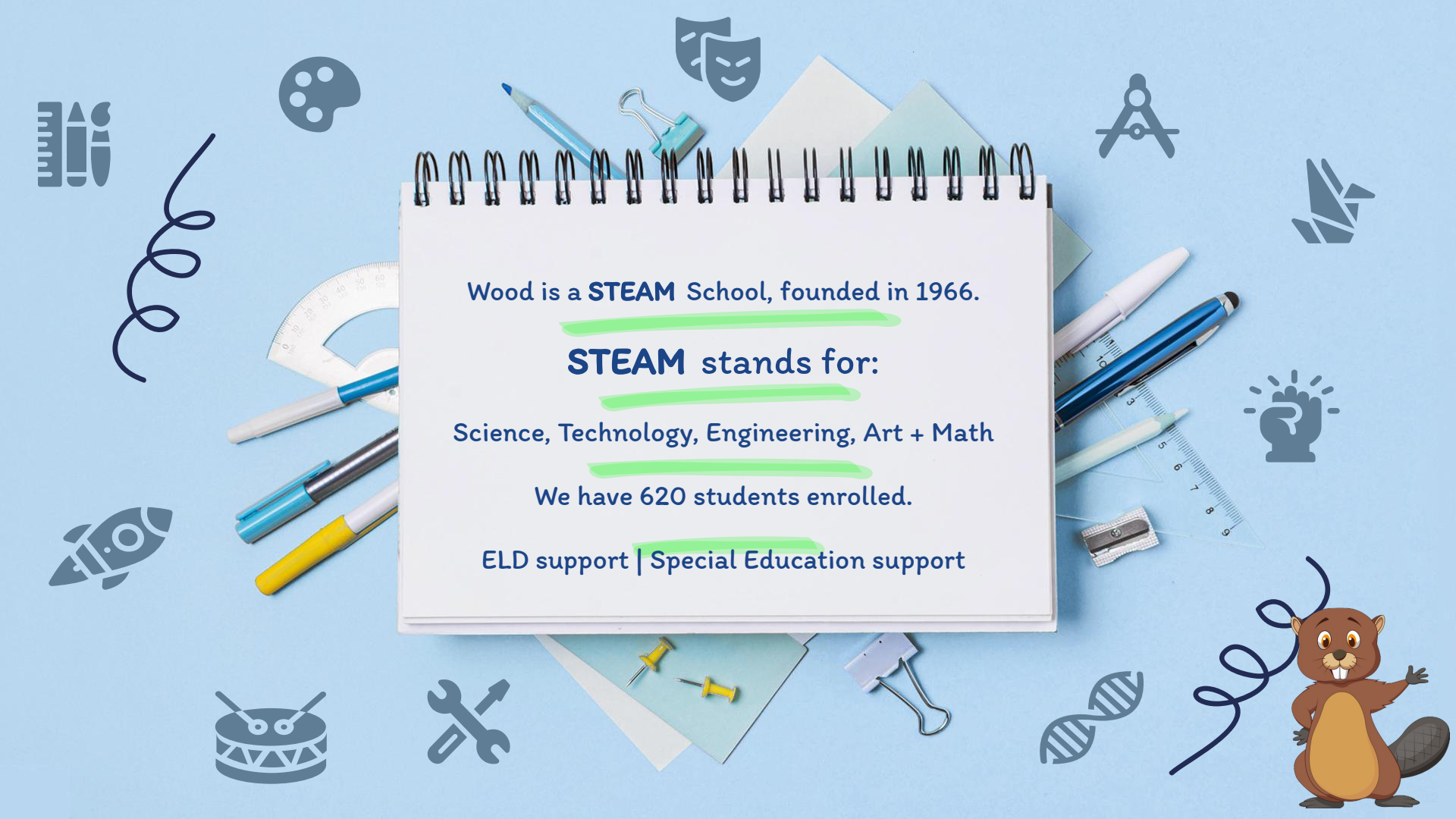
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The School Vision is that Wood Middle School is a learning ecosystem where students grow emotionally, academically, and socially under the care of teachers who facilitate growth through culturally responsive, collaborative, & integrated learning experiences.

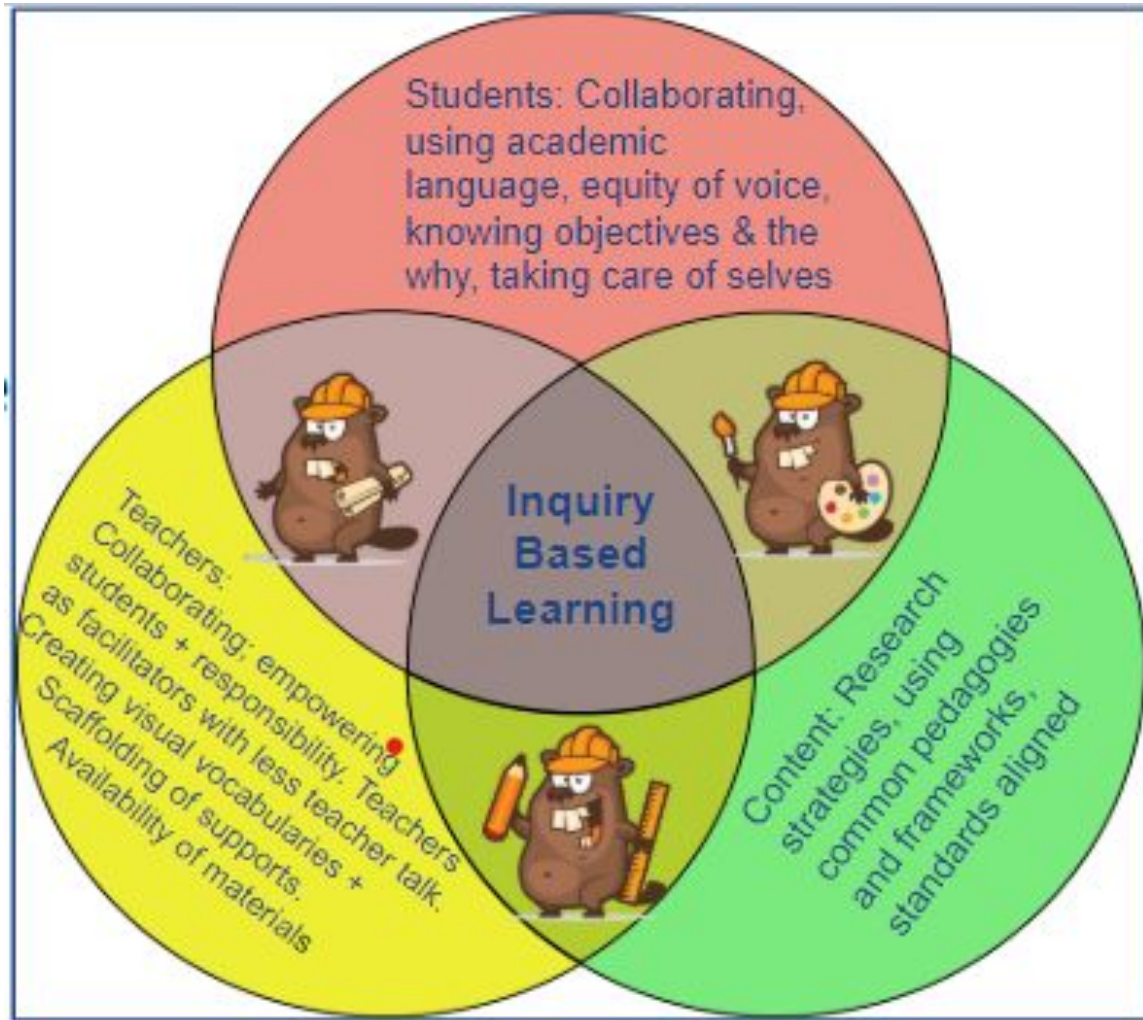
School Throughline: Building Great Minds



We are UNDER CONSTRUCTION. We moved into our temporary campus in August of 2024. The new campus with a brand new gym will be ready August of 2026. We will still have access to this MPR building during the 2 years of construction, for lunch and two classrooms (Art and Music). The new building mock up is featured in the background.



Will C. Wood's Instructional Core



Wood's PTA

President Jennifer Shadden

PTA hosts the Welcome Back Ice Cream Social, Fall Fest, Intercultural Night, Staff Appreciation, Dine + Donates, The Color Run and other community events.

PTA funds help pay for classroom and Media Center materials, field trips, student supports, and more!

Follow Wood Middle School PTA on Facebook or contact:
woodmiddleschoolpta@gmail.com.



Wood Support Staff

Administrators

Family Liaison & Office Assistant

Counselors

Health Clerk

Educational Equity & Family
Engagement Coordinator

Special Education Case Managers
(for students with IEPs)

Student Support Providers

Community Health Partners

Instructional Coach

Intervention Lead



WEB: Where Everybody Belongs

6th Grade Orientation



Wood Middle School

show your

Beaver Behavior



Be Safe

Be Responsible

Be Respectful

Be an Ally

Bell Schedule + Passing Periods

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Period 1	8:40 - 9:35
Period 2	9:38 - 10:33
BREAK	10:33 - 10:40
Period 3	10:43 - 11:38
Period 4	11:41 - 12:35
LUNCH	12:35 - 1:15
Period 5	1:20 - 2:14
Period 6	2:17 - 3:10

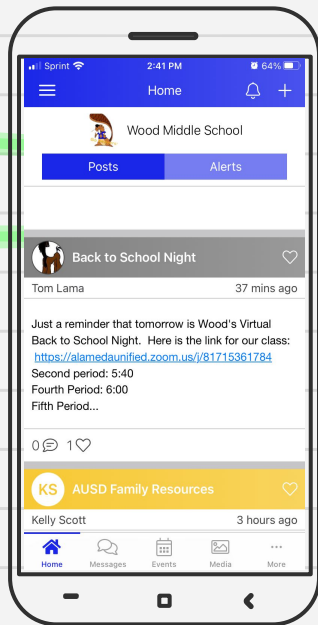
Wednesday

Period 1	8:40 - 9:23
Period 2	9:26 - 10:08
BREAK	10:08 - 10:15
Period 3	10:18 - 11:00
Period 4	11:03 - 11:45
LUNCH	11:45 - 12:25
Period 5	12:30 - 1:11
Period 6	1:14 - 1:55

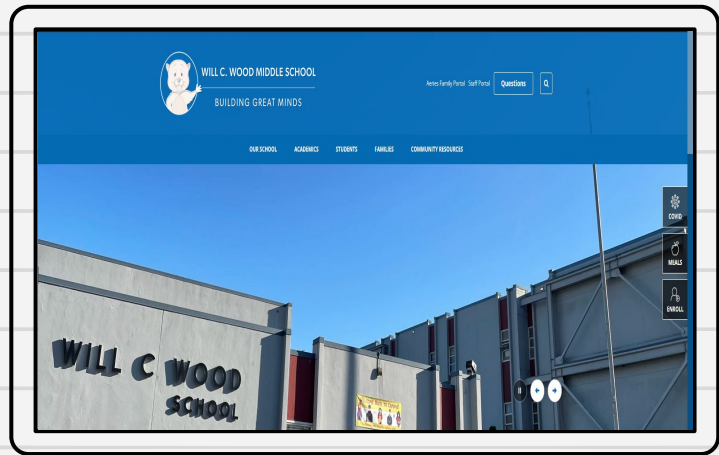
**-3 min. passing
periods
-5 min. passing
after 1st lunch bell**



Parent Square App!



Aeries Parent Portal



Every Wood student has a Chromebook

- Must be brought to school EVERY DAY, charged
- Parents must pay to replace broken and lost chromebooks so ensure that your student takes care of theirs.
- This may change and make chromebooks available in the classrooms, and at home as needed.



Extracurricular Activities

Volleyball

- Co-ed
- Run by AEF

After School

- Wood teachers, counselors
- [Right at School](#)
- [Van to ARPD](#)
- Homework Help
2 days a week



Basketball

- Girls + Boys team
- Run by AEF

Alameda Music Project String Lab

Track

- Co-ed
- Run by AEF

Clubs

- Gardening
- GSA
- BSU
- Running
- Lunch Vibes
- Fencing
- Knitting Club
- DIY Club
- Travel Club



24-25 Electives

- Art
- Advanced Art
- Drama
- Beginning Band
- Guitar
- Orchestra
- AVID



- Concert Band
- The Wheel
- Engineering



Subject to change

6th Grade Exploration Wheel Electives

4 Sections / Students take 3 over 3 Trimesters

Drama



Social Emotional Learning



Engineering



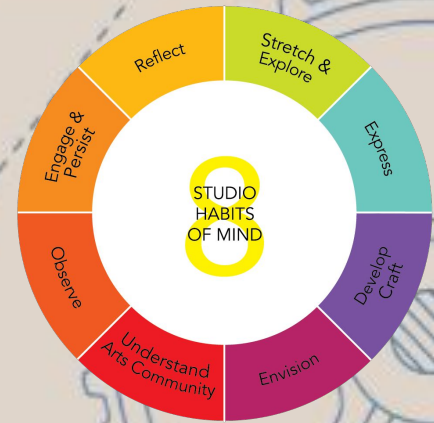
Visual Arts



Subject to change

Engineering

"I just love building stuff, and the think, make, and improve process where you have to brainstorm, build, think, and re-design. And it was just satisfying, looking at what I built."



"Engage and Persist is one of our Studio Habits of Mind. You just have to persist on what you're doing. You're always gonna fail, that's just the path to success. Failure is not bad. You have to learn from your mistakes and not avoid them."

6th Grade Wheel

7th/8th Drama

Drama gives students the opportunity to explore the arts of acting, stage design, playwriting and technical theatre.

Every year we stage a full-length production for public performance.

We have fun with improvisation, theatre field trips, and community building!



Visual Arts

6th Grade Wheel Art

Artists learn skills as they explore a variety of media learning about artistic process and self expression.

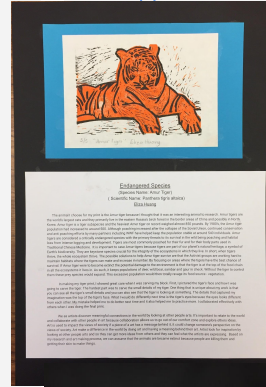
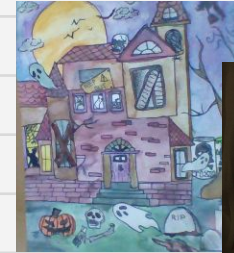
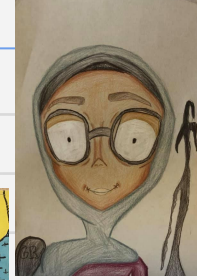
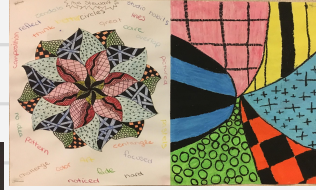
7th/8th Art 1

A year long course where artists deepen their understanding of the creative process through a variety of media and methods.

Artists explore the elements and principles of art through drawing, painting, printmaking, sculpture, and ceramics.

8th Advanced

Art
A year long course where artists deepen their creative practice and personal connections to art making and begin to develop their own style through arts based research practices based on historical movements and contemporary artists.



Art Travel Club!

2016 - Madrid to Barcelona
2018 - Rome, Florence, Assisi
2022 - London to Paris
2024 - Milan, Venice,
Florence, Rome
2026 - ???



Beginning Band

6-8

Students learn a wind, brass or percussion instrument in this performance arts class. No experience necessary!

7th 8th Concert Band

Instrumentalists with prior experience may join. We learn more advanced concepts & songs in a variety of genres



Orchestra

New Program! Students learn to play a string instrument - violin, viola, cello, bass - while learning music notation. We perform a variety of genres. No experience necessary!

Guitar

Students learn music notation and TAB to play songs from a variety of genres, and pop student choice songs. We play melodies for lead guitar and chords for rhythm guitar.

Elective Flow

6th Grade

Beginning
Band

The
Wheel

AVID

7th Grade

- Beginning band
- Guitar
- Concert band
- Orchestra
- Engineering
- Drama
- Art
- AVID
- Leadership

8th Grade

- Beginning band
- Guitar
- Concert band
- Orchestra
- Engineering
- Drama
- Office Assistant
- Art
- Advanced Art
- Leadership

*Some ELD students have an ELD class in lieu of an elective

*Some students with IEPs have Academic Strategies in Lieu of an elective

What is AVID?

AVID stands for **Advancement Via Individual Determination**. AVID is a college prep elective for middle and high school students.

A college readiness program that helps students prepare for academic success in high school, college, and their careers. AVID's mission is to close the opportunity gap by helping students who are traditionally underrepresented in higher education.

AVID programs include:

- A college preparatory curriculum
- Tutor-facilitated study groups
- Motivational activities
- Academic success skills
- WICOR strategies (Writing, Inquiry, Collaboration, Organization, and Reading)
- Time management
- Test preparation

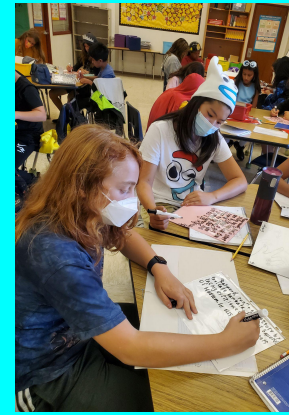


6th Grade ELA

We focus on daily reading and writing practice. We work on interpretation and close reading of texts (both fiction and non-fiction), academic discourse, creative thinking and problem solving, and developing skills as a reader, writer, and active member of a community.

6th Grade Throughline:
How do my choices affect me, my family, & my community?

We use film, music, and art to support curriculum and allow for student choice and engagement.

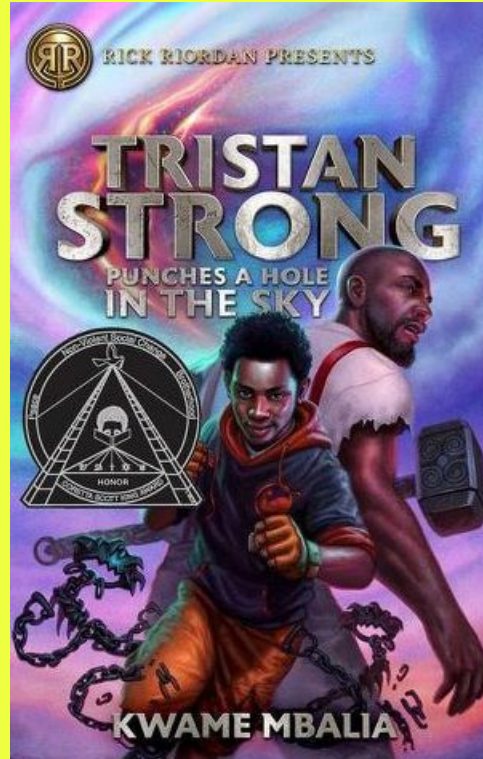


Wood teaches is interested in [Disrupt-ing Text](#) in all three grade levels:

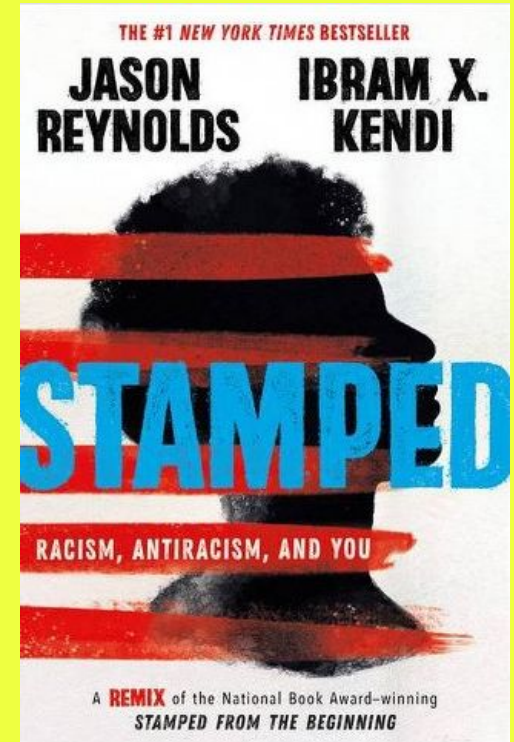
Grade 6



Grade 7



Grade 8



HISTORY THROUGHLINE:

Using knowledge of the past to inform critical thinking about ~~and~~ civic engagement with the world around us.

6th: How does what people believe affect their daily lives?

7th: How did trade connect the medieval and early modern times to the larger world?

8th: What are the political developments, spatial conflicts, ~~and~~ moral controversies of our developing nation that have led to our contemporary culture?

6th: Ancient World

7th: Medieval and Early Modern Age

8th: U.S. History

- Arts-Integrated Curriculum
- Student-Centered Inquiry
- Project-Based Learning
- Collaboration
- Reading like Historians
- Writing like Historians
- Thinking like Historians

Special Education

- Co-Taught ELA 6-8 & Math 6-8
- Intensive ELA 6-8
- Intensive Math 6-8
- Para support (push-in and pull-out)
- Academic Support Strategies
- Extensive Support Needs



(Visit Wood's SpEd site [here](#))

Mathematics ...Everyone's favorite subject!

6th Grade: Foundational Skills & Concepts

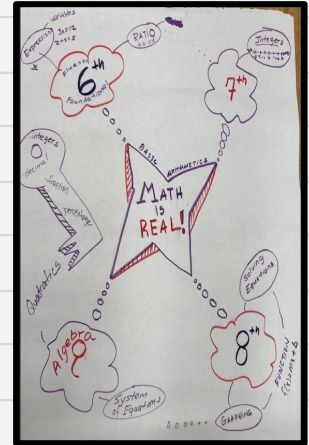
Ratios & Proportional Relationships,
Number System, Expressions & Equations

7th Grade: Deeper Dive

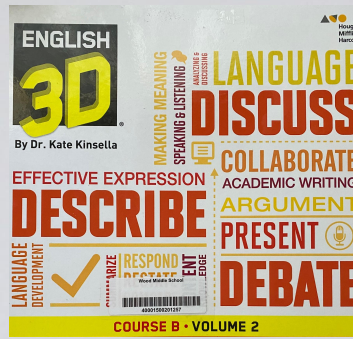
Ratios & Proportional Relationships,
Graphing, Expressions & Equations, Integers

8th Grade Math Or Integrated Math 1

Expressions & Equations,
Functions, Systems of Equations, Geometry



Classes focus on building academic vocabulary and provide students the opportunity to practice skills needed to succeed in high school, college, and the workplace.

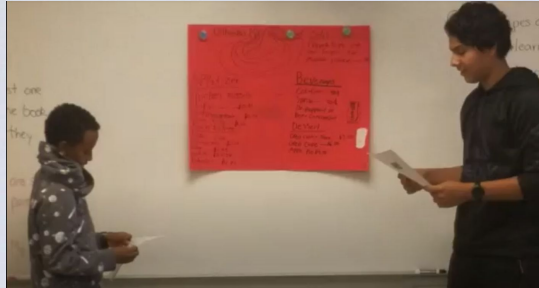


How can we develop academic language in order to communicate our ideas?

English Language Development



Teachers
Andrea Rios-Puras
Cheryl Connick
Cristina Quezon



Students performing a skit in their newcomer ELD class.

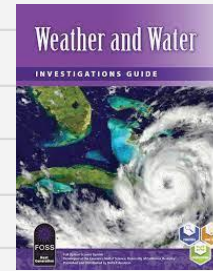
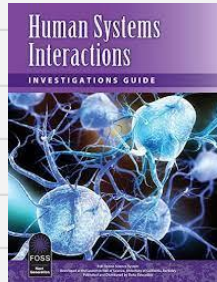
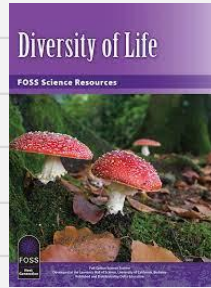
Reading
Writing
Speaking
Listening

Science Curriculum

Next Generation Science Standards based FOSS modules

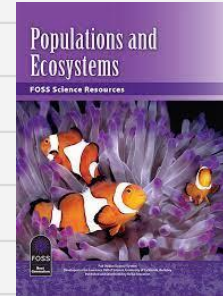
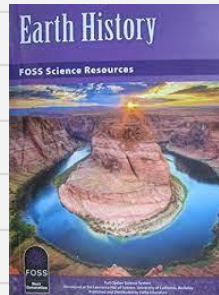
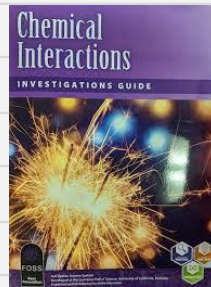


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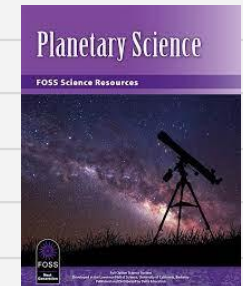
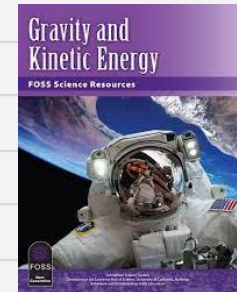
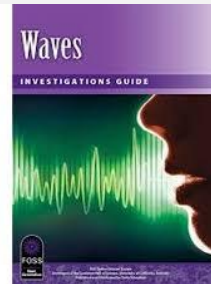
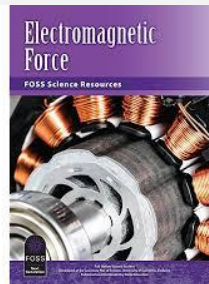
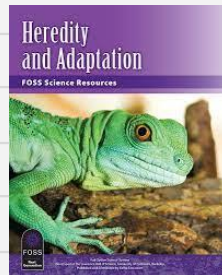


Hands-on!
Inquiry based!
Relevant!

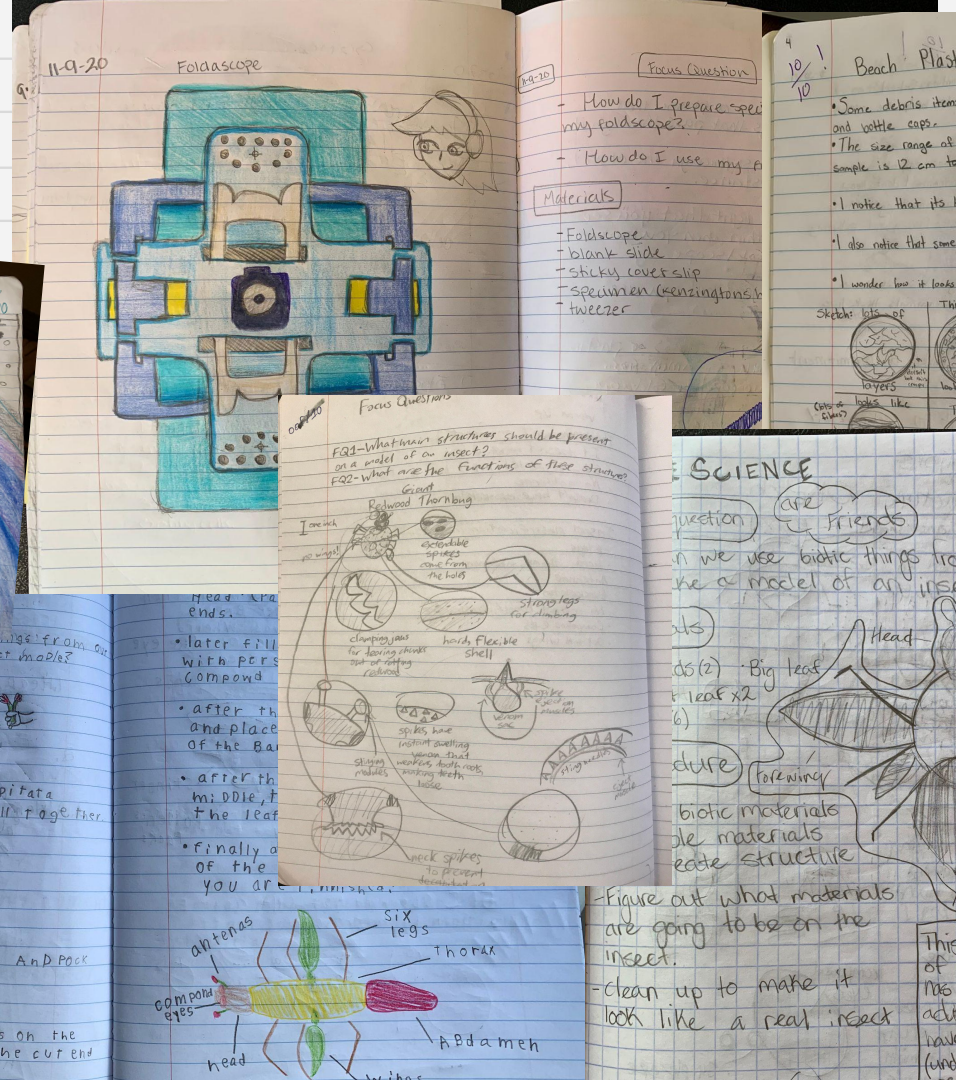
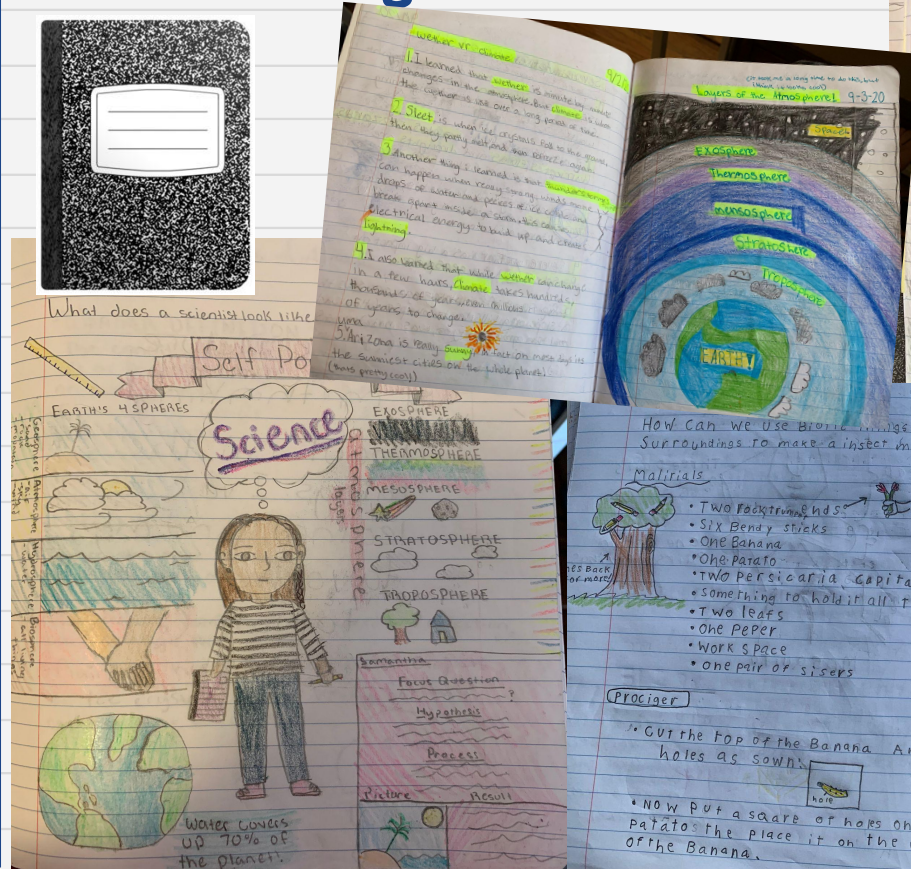
7th
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8th
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Science notebooks are used to document growth and understanding.





Physical Education

- Building motor and manipulative skills
- Developing physical literacy
- Developing physical fitness



Dates to Know

Course selection is in Feb/March
(elementary schools/registration)

Tours scan QR code to the right
Jan. 6, Jan. 9, Jan. 14, Jan. 16, Jan. 21
3:30-4:15 @ WMS Temp Campus

Tours





Questions?
And...thank you
for joining us
tonight!