

Middle School Curriculum 2023-24

CAL Middle School courses are intentionally designed to provide rich opportunities for students to discover their talents and thrive emotionally, spiritually and academically before they transition into some of the more rigorous options in the High School such as the Honors or dual credit courses, School of the Arts or the School of Biomedical Science.

All courses are based on a 90-min. block schedule except for Exploratory Classes (see chart) and English classes, which are divided into two separate daily 90-min classes for English and Language Arts.

Daniel Program: Designed for students who demonstrate exceptional ability in reading and/or math. These courses reflect high rigor and challenge students in more rigorous depth-of-knowledge instruction. Acceptance into this program is based on MAP (Measurements of Academic Progress) testing requirements.

| | 6 th Grade | 7 th Grade | 8 th Grade |
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| Bible | Bible 6 Basics of the Christian faith, Old Testament Survey, The Upside- Down way of Jesus, and Spiritual Warfare | Bible 7 Overview of the whole Bible story, The rise and fall of Israel, and spiritual disciplines (in-house created) | Bible 8 Situational Ethics, Missions and Service, Cultural Issues, and Biblical Relationships. (in-house created) |
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| Chapel | Weekly Chapel provides biblical principles and individual applications as well as a chance for students to support each other in corporate worship, prayer and praise. Students lead the worship supporting messages from faculty and outside speakers | | |
| Service Opportunities | Throughout the year, students engage in service projects that support families, ministries and community needs on a local and international level. Local and international service projects ensure an ongoing awareness of individual impact students can make | | |
| Math | General Math Reveal Math 6 McGraw Hill | General Math Reveal Math 7 McGraw Hill | Pre-Algebra Reveal Math 8 McGraw Hill |
| | | Pre-Algebra Reveal Math 7 McGraw Hill Enhanced Math 7 Reveal Math 7 McGraw Hill | Enhanced Math 8: Algebra I Pearson |
| Science | Earth Science STEM: Project Lead The Way: Design and Modeling Inspire Science 6 McGraw Hill | Life Science STEM: Project Lead The Way: Medical Detectives Inspire Science 7 McGraw Hill | Physical Science STEM: Project Lead The Way: "Automation and Robotics" Inspire Science 8 McGraw Hill |
| English Language Arts/ Literature | English/Language Arts 6 Novels and various open source readings No Red Ink- Grammar Wordly Wise 6 - Vocabulary | English/Language Arts 7 Novels and various open source readings No Red Ink- Grammar Wordly Wise 7 - Vocabulary | English/Language Arts 8 Novels and various open source readings No Red Ink: Grammar with Premium writing Wordly Wise 8 - Vocabulary |
| | | Accelerated Language Arts/ Literature 7 Novels and various open source readings No Red Ink- Grammar Wordly Wise 8 - Vocabulary | Accelerated Language Arts/ Literature 8 Novels and various open source readings No Red Ink with PRemium writing- Grammar/ writing Wordly Wise 9 - Vocabulary |
| Social Studies | World History McGraw Hill | World History / Geography McGraw Hill | American History Houghton Mifflin Harcourt |

Exploratory Classes Classes meet Mon-Fri. 1/2 block and change each quarter (in-

house created)

- Art
- **Robotics**
- **Physical Education**
- Computer

The following meet year-long:

- Orchestra
- Choir
- Band

Classes meet Mon-Fri. 1/2 block and change each semester

(in-house created)

- Art
- Computer
- **Physical Education**
- Robotics
- Worldviews
- Study Hall

The following meet year- long:

- Orchestra
- Choir
- Band

These 8th grade classes meet every other day for one block and change each semester

(in-house created)

- Art
- Missions
- Spanish
- Spiritual life
- **Computer Science Physical Education**
- Study Hall
- Life Skills

The following classes meet year-long:

- Advanced Art
- Orchestra
- Choir
- Band
- Yearbook

Clubs and Activities 6-8: Student Council, Weekly Prayer Gathering; CALMS Cultural Council, and DramatiCALs Jr. Clubs change every year, based on student interest. Offered clubs have included Photography Club, Film Club, Hands of Christ Club, Sign Language Club, and Military/Law Enforcement Club.

Athletics: Basketball, Baseball, Bowling, Cheerleading, Cross Country, Golf, Field Hockey, Football, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Tennis, Track & Field, Volleyball

Other Activities: 6th Grade: Creation Museum; Service Field Trips; 7th Grade: Ark Encounter; Finance Park Field Trip; 8th Grade: Class trip to Washington DC; 8th grade Crossover into High School; High School Kick-off



The CAL Middle School and High School at English Station received the Department of Education's Blue Ribbon of Excellence designation reflecting academic excellence, in 2015 and 2010, respectively.



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