

Academic Catalog

Middle School Course Offerings & Student Policies

Even Years: 2025-2026	English	Math	Science	History
6th Grade	6th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Developing Writers	Pre-Algebra	Earth Science	Civics Foundations
7th Grade	7th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Language & Rhetoric	Intro to Algebra	Physical Science	Civics Foundations
8th Grade	8th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Developing Craft	Algebra 1 CP or Algebra 1 Honors	Physical Science	American Identity

Odd years: 2026-2027	English	Math	Science	History
6th Grade	6th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Developing Writers	Pre-Algebra	Earth Science	Ancient Civilizations
7th Grade	7th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Language & Rhetoric	Intro to Algebra	Life Science	Ancient Civilizations
8th Grade	8th Grade Wit & Wisdom: Developing Craft	Algebra 1 CP or Algebra 1 Honors	Life Science	American Identity

Students will also be taking the following courses yearly:

- 1. Arabic**
- 2. Islamic Studies**
- 3. Quran**
- 4. Physical Education**
- 5. STEAM**

How students are assigned to Honors classes:

8th Grade Student:

1. Upon graduation from 8th grade into High School, if a student achieves an 84% or higher, he/she is automatically registered for the honors section of the class.
2. If a student achieves below an 84% and would like to register for an honors class, they must complete and successfully pass an assignment and receive approval from department head:
 - a. Math: Test they will take in September
 - b. English : Write an Essay assigned by the Honors English Teacher
 - c. History: Write an Essay assigned by the Honors History Teacher

Student Already in High School:

1. If a student achieves a C+ to a C- in an Honors class, the following year they will be registered for the regular/CP section of the class.
 - a. If the student would like to remain in the honors class, he/she must schedule a meeting with the guidance counselor. Parent/Guardian must be present to discuss any concerns regarding the student remaining in honors class.
2. If a student achieves an A- to A+ in a Regulars/CP class, he/she can be recommended by the teacher to register in the Honors section the following academic year.
3. If a student in a CP class achieves a B+ or A, and does not get a teacher recommendation to go to Honors, he/she may register for the Honors section on probation for 1 trimester. He/She must maintain an 84% average or higher to remain in the class.

New Grading Policy:

1. **Classwork:** Any classwork is due that day in class (or evening on google classroom). No late work accepted.
2. **Homework:** Any Homework that is corrected that day in class will not be accepted late, as students can just copy answers from the corrected work.
3. **Take-Home Assignments, Projects, Essays:** 10% off everyday that is late. No work will be accepted past the 5th late day. Students will receive a zero on the assignment.
 - a. Only 3 late assignments will be accepted per trimester. Any late assignments beyond 3 days will receive an automatic zero.

Grading:

Letter Grade	Percent Grade	4.0 Scale
A+	97-100	4.0
A	93-96	4.0
A-	90-92	3.7
B+	87-89	3.3
B	83-86	3.0
B-	80-82	2.7
C+	77-79	2.3
C	73-76	2.0
C-	70-72	1.7
D+	67-69	1.3
D	65-66	1.0
E/F	Below 65	0.0

Award Earned	Percent Grade
Principal's List	95.00-100.00
Honor Roll	90.00-94.99
Merit Roll	87.50-89.99

Attendance Policy:

Middle & High School Only

1. Attendance Changes for 6th-12th Grade: According to NJ school guidelines, students who are absent from school more than 18 days are subject to retention. As such, students are allotted 5 absences per trimester for classes that meet 4 or more times a week and 3 absences for classes that meet 3 or fewer times a week. At the 6th and 4th absence respectively, 3 points will be removed from the total average. For each additional absence, 1 more point will be removed. For example, a student misses 5 Math classes. At the 6th absence, he/she will have 3 points deducted from their average. At the 7th absences, he/she will have 4 points removed from their average and so on. Additionally, 5 late arrivals to the same class will count as 1 absence.
 - a. Absences will be counted throughout the semester by each subject teacher
 - b. Absences for illnesses that are accompanied with a doctor's note that exceed 5 days will be adjusted to the 5 allotted absences. (example: if a student is absent for 8 days due to illness and the absences are accompanied by a doctor's note, the days will be set to 5, not 8. This means any additional absences will result in points off). Sick days do not have to be consecutive.
 - c. Absences for travel will be counted towards the allotted days and will not be excused except for Umrah/Hajj approved absences. Umrah absences will be excused for up to 5 days. Hajj absences will be approved for up to 10 days. **See Below**
 - d. Attendance Allowances: These days are for the entire academic year, not per trimester. These allowances are conditional: If a student exceeds 18 absences in a class, regardless of reason, he/she will be required to repeat the course or the academic year. These absences must be accompanied by proof of attendance such as registration forms, invitations, programs, etc. Students must have these days PREAPPROVED by the administration and may not be applied after the event days/absences have passed. Attendance allowances will be applied accordingly for one academic year:
 - i. 2 excused days for attendance to Islamic Conference

- ii. 2 excused days for attendance to family events such as weddings, graduations, etc.
 - iii. 5 excused days for if a student is attending Umrah
 - iv. 10 excused days for a student attending Hajj Students absent during a test, including and especially trimester exams, must present a doctor's note or a student Excuse Form signed by a parent or guardian.
2. A student who arrives 15 minutes after the period bell will be marked absent.
 3. Leaving School Early: Students who need to be excused early from school MUST have a parent or guardian call the Main Office prior to their departure. Students must sign out in the Main Office before leaving the building. A student cannot be called out of a class to leave early- a student can only be called out of class in between periods. Any student leaving school without permission will be considered truant.