

NORCO INTERMEDIATE



Course Outline – 8th Grade

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The following is a general list of courses offered at Norco Intermediate (subject to change). Additional information can be obtained from our website.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Department	Course Title	Term	Course Description
Language Arts*	Language Arts	1-yr	This course is designed to facilitate student growth in the following areas: reading, literary response and analysis, writing strategies, writing applications, written and oral English language conventions (grammar), listening and speaking. The course content follows the California State English Language Arts Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
	Language Arts Honors**	1-yr	This course offers the same curriculum as Language Arts, but instills much more rigor to push students to their greatest potential. Expect a significant amount of homework and rigid grading. The course content follows the California State English Language Arts Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
Math*	CCSS Math 8	1-yr	This course reinforces and builds upon mathematical skills taught in previous classes with additional advanced computation, including an emphasis on algebraic concepts. The course content follows the California State Mathematics Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
	Integrated Math 1**	1-yr	The course content includes working with properties of real numbers, solving linear equations, graphing linear equations and functions, writing linear equations, solving and graphing linear inequalities, systems of linear equations and inequalities, exponents and exponential functions, quadratic equations and functions, polynomials and factoring, rational expression and equations, and radicals and connections to Geometry. <i>(NO enrollment allowed in this class outside of successful completion of Accelerated 7)</i>
Science*	Physical Science	1-yr	Eighth grade physical science is the study of motion, forces, and the structure of matter. Other areas addressed include the Earth, the solar system, chemical reactions, the chemistry of biological processes, the periodic table, density, and buoyancy.
	Physical Science Honors**	1-yr	The course offers the same curriculum as Physical Science, but instills much more rigor to push students to their greatest potential. Expect a significant amount of homework and rigid grading. This course content follows the California State Science Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
History*	US History	1-yr	Eighth grade students study U.S. History and Geography as they learn about growth and conflict. Students will learn about democracy, civic values, content knowledge, and culture. Units include our Colonial Heritage, American Revolution, Constitution, Civil War, and Rise of Industrial America. Students do presentations, develop magazines, research books, use the internet, and many simulations.
	US History Honors**	1-yr	The course offers the same curriculum as US History, but instills much more rigor to push students to their greatest potential. Expect a significant amount of homework and rigid grading. This course content follows the California State History-Social Science Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
P.E.*	Physical Education	1-yr	Students will practice and prepare to perform a variety of activities; learn concepts, principles, and strategies that apply to the learning performance of physical activities; assess and maintain a level of fitness to improve health and overall athletic performance. This course content follows the California State Health Education Framework and Standards for 8 th grade.
Success or AVID**	Success for School	1-year	This course is designed to develop and enhance the student's organizational skills, study habits, and best practices to ensure success in Intermediate School.
	AVID*** (Application Required)	1-year	Students will receive instruction on study skill strategies and academic behaviors that prepare them for High School AVID and 4-yr University beyond high school.
Electives	Environmental Science	1-yr	Environmental Science a course that provides students with an understanding of the natural and man-made environments, and prepares students to identify and analyze environmental problems both natural and man-made, to evaluate the relative risks associated with these problems, and to examine alternative solutions for resolving and/or preventing them.
	Intramural PE	1-yr	Students will take learned skills from PE to continue to enhance skills and performance in competitive sports.
	Career Technology	1-yr	The focus of this class is to help students learn pre-employment skills, communication skills, transferrable basic academic skills, and employment skills. In addition, students will be able to explore careers through research, tours, and guest speakers.
	Robotics/Computers Adv.	Semester	Semester class of Advanced Robotics prepares individuals to assemble, program, maintain, and repair robotic devices, including instruction in computer control systems and robot computer language programming; Semester class of Advanced Computers will explore computer science languages, such as Java, to begin programming, building websites, and developing an understanding of the use of computers in careers. Students will also explore a variety of software such as excel, publisher, powerpoint, animation and gaming.
	School Service	1-yr	By teacher invitation only. Must meet GPA and behavior requirements.
	Adv. Art/Visual Design	1-yr	This is a course that introduces students to the elements and principles of design, and how to implement those elements and principles into the creative process. Students will explore various media throughout the course using a variety of materials.
	Elective Wheel	Semester	Semester elective wheel includes one of the following combinations: Visual Arts (beginning)/Intro to Computers or Tech 7/Intro to Computers.
	Band – Beg.	1-yr	Students learn the techniques of playing instruments while working towards live public performances.
	Band – Int.	1-yr	Instrument playing for students with at least one year of playing experience.
	Band – Adv.	1-yr	Instrument playing for students with two or more years of playing experience.
Choir	1-yr	Students learn to sing correctly, while working towards live public performances.	

* Required Courses

**Students interested in Honors courses will be considered based on previous year academic data. A contract will be issued to all students taking honors agreeing to terms and conditions for remaining in the interested course(s).

***Application and interview process required for admittance

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