

# 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CURRICULUM



**CHARLES S. RUSHE MIDDLE SCHOOL**  
*Home of the Ravens*

# Sunshine State Standards (NGSSS), Common Core State Standards (CCSS)

- Reading:
  - Developmental: Treasures Reading Series
  - Intensive: Triumphs
- Language Arts: McDougal Little Literature
- Mathematics: Adoption year to be determined
  - 6<sup>th</sup> grade
  - Advanced 6<sup>th</sup> grade
- Science: Science Fusion
  - Concepts include: Nature of Science, Earth & Space, Physical Science, Life Science
- World History – My World History

# Next Generation

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- Common Core requires students to interact with complex text, respond to text based questions at a higher level, and write about what they are reading. The math standards require a deeper understanding of the standards.

# Advanced Course Work

- Advanced courses are available in math, science, language arts and social studies (all gifted courses are advanced)
  - Requirements:
    - Students must receive an achievement level of a 4 or 5 on the FCAT in the area of reading for advance course work in Language Arts, World History, and Science. For placement in advanced science, students must also receive an achievement level of 4 or 5 in math. A grade of B or higher is required in current corresponding classes. Advanced math placement is determined by the district advanced math matrix. All courses are subject to availability due to teacher assignments and class sizes.

# Assessments

- Discovery Ed Assessments are given three times a year (baseline, mid-year, and end of year) for science. Assessments are given four times a year for language arts and math.
- History and Writing take a Rushe assessment three times a year.
- Measure the classroom learning
- Identifies student academic growth throughout the school year

# Homework

- Can be expected on a regular basis from all classes.
- Read nightly a minimum of 20 minutes
- 20 minutes per subject
- May include projects or long term assignments.
- Reviewing and studying for quizzes and test
  - Students know of up coming assessments, usually a week in advance
- Even if no homework is assigned, all students should review concepts taught in the day's lesson (e.g., re-read, review notes, visit online sources, etc.)

# Study Skills

- Infused throughout the year:

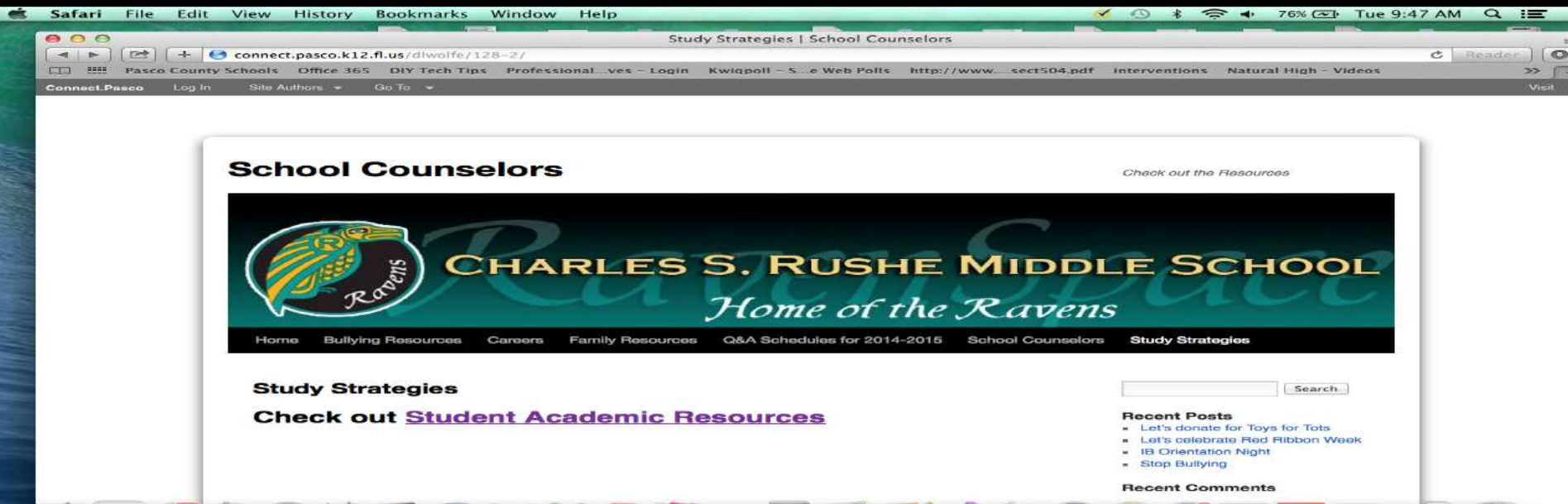
- Organization
- Time management
- Active listening
- Note taking skills

Long term project

Non-fiction reading skills

Test taking skills

- <http://sarc.sdes.ucf.edu/handouts>



# Electives

- Band- Mr. Cook
- Chorus- Mrs. Behren
- Exploratory Wheel:
  - Students rotate about every 6 weeks
  - May include
    - Art
    - Drama
    - Music
    - Physical Education



# Electronic Support

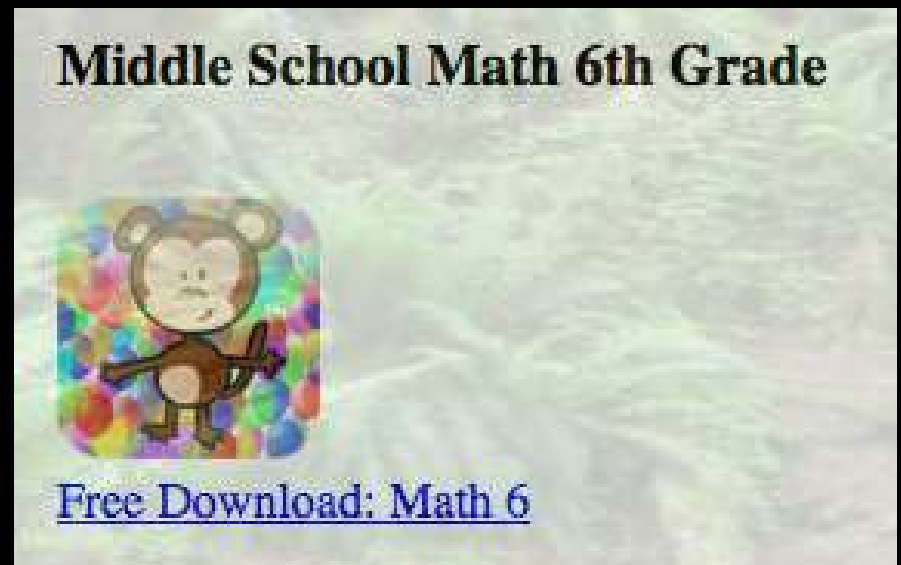
- Check out the right side column on the following Charles Rushe Middle School website:  
<http://csrms.pasco.k12.fl.us>

## School Links

- › 6th Grade Online Books
- › Apply to Substitute here
- › Big Ideas Math Textbook
- › BrainPop
- › Bullying information
- › Bus Routes
- › Cafeteria menus
- › Canvas On-Line Learning for Students
- › Current Weather
- › Edmodo
- › eSembler
- › eSembler Parent Directions
- › FaceBook Parent Info
- › FCAT Explorer
- › Financial Literacy
- › Google docs link
- › Guidance Department
- › Media Resources
- › Raven News Archive

# Supporting Websites

- Middle School Math – 6<sup>th</sup> Grade
  - “Free” in iTunes on iPhone or iPad.
  - A fun way to practice your math facts. Throw away those flash cards, solve problems by popping balloons as fast as you can.



# Supporting Websites

- Sushi Monster! Scholastic's new game to practice, reinforce, and extend math fact fluency is completely engaging and appropriately challenging.



# Electronics Policy

- These rules are specific to common areas such as cafeteria, hallways, bathrooms, locker rooms, track, bus and car loop etc. For classroom rules on electronics, please refer to our BYOD policy.
- Students are responsible for their own devices. Do not lend your phone or borrow a phone from another student.
- Please reserve the wi-fi for school related activities only.
- All electronics devices should be kept on Silent Mode. Not complying with this rule will result in disciplinary action.

# Electronics Policy

- There is absolutely no use of electronics allowed in any restrooms or locker rooms. Electronics should be put away at all times.
- Pictures or videos are not allowed on campus unless authorized by your teacher for educational purposes.
- There are no charging devices on campus.
- Making phone calls is prohibited from the moment you come on campus to the moment you leave. If you need to use a phone, go to the front office.