

Pine Island Academy Middle School Parent Information Night

Welcome to Middle School!

Agenda for Tonight

▶ Information Session

- ▶ Current Administrative Staff
- ▶ Overview of Course Progressions & Elective Options
- ▶ SJMSAA Information
- ▶ Important Dates & Timelines

▶ Q & A

Your PIA Team

Principal

Ms. Amanda Riedl

Assistant Principal

Ms. Rachel Naylor

Assistant Principal

Ms. Ruth Cortes

Counselor (K,3, 7)

Ms. LeBlanc

Counselor(1, 5,8)

Ms. Joker

Counselor (2,4,6)

Ms. Palmer

Dean of Students

Ms. Whetstone

6th Grade Course Requirements

Core Subjects:

Language Arts, Math, Science, World History
(standard or advanced/accelerated)

Required Non-Core

- ▶ ICT 1- full year
- ▶ Physical Education - full year

7th Grade Course Requirements

Core Subjects:

Language Arts, Math, Science, US History
(standard or advanced/accelerated)

Required Non-Core:

- ▶ Computer Science Discoveries - full year
- ▶ Physical Education - full year

8th Grade Course Requirements

Core Subjects:

- ▶ Language Arts, Math, Science, U.S. History
(standard or advanced/accelerated)

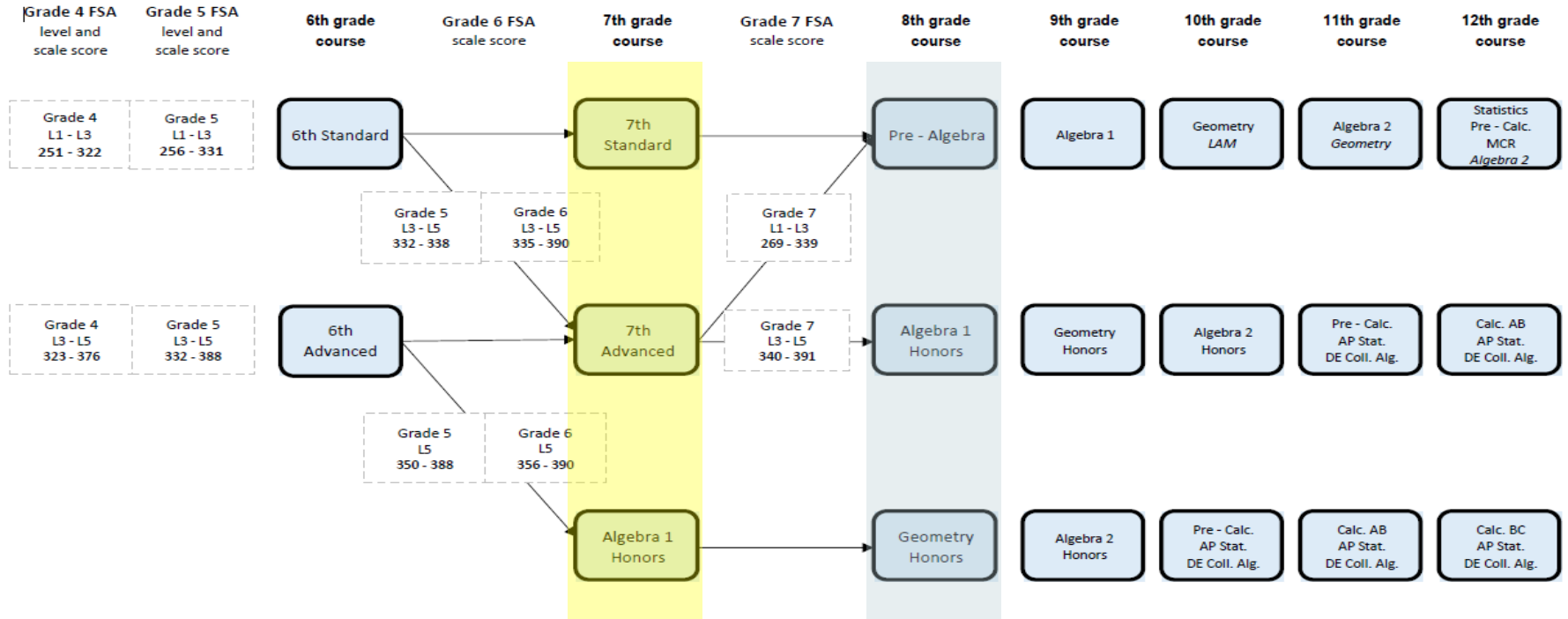
Required Non-Core

- ▶ Physical Education - full year

What are the advanced/acceleration placement options for my child?

- PIA offers a variety of options for middle grades students depending on their individualized learning path:
 - 6th Standard/Advanced (accelerated)
 - 7th Standard/Advanced (accelerated)/ Algebra 1 Honors
 - 8th Standard/Advanced (accelerated), Algebra 1 Honors/Geometry Honors, Physical Science Honors
- All 6th grade students will be placed in 6th grade standard or 6th accelerated math based on teacher recommendation and 5th grade FAST scores.

SJCSD Middle School Math Progression



Mathematics Scale Scores (240 - 393) for Each Achievement Level					
Assessment:	Level 1	Level 2	Level 3	Level 4	Level 5
Grade 5 Mathematics	256 - 305	306 - 319	320 - 333	334 - 349	350 - 388
Grade 6 Mathematics	260 - 309	310 - 324	325 - 338	339 - 355	356 - 390
Grade 7 Mathematics	269 - 315	316 - 329	330 - 345	346 - 359	360 - 391
Grade 8 Mathematics	273 - 321	322 - 336	337 - 352	353 - 364	365 - 393

STANDARD MATH PROGRESSION

Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Math 1	Math 2	Math 3	Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2 Liberal Arts Math 2	Advanced Topics in Math DE College Algebra AP Statistics Probability/Statistics Math for College Readiness Math For College Success

ACCELERATED MATH PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
	Math 1 Advanced/ Accelerated	Math 2 Advanced/ Accelerated	Algebra 1 Honors*	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics AP Calculus AB
		Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre-Calculus AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	AP Calculus AB AP Statistics DE College Algebra Probability/ Statistics	AP Calculus BC AP Statistics DE College Algebra DE Upper-Level Math

STANDARD SCIENCE PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Standard	Science 1	Science 2	Science 3	Physical Science	Biology	Chemistry Earth Space Physics Marine Science	Chemistry Earth Space Physics Marine Science Anatomy

ADVANCED SCIENCE PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Advanced	Science 1 Adv	Science 2 Adv	Science 3 Adv	Physical Science Honors Biology Honors	Physical Science Honors Biology Honors Chemistry Honors	Chemistry Honors Physics Honors Marine Honors AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science	Anatomy Honors Chemistry Honors Marine Honors Physics Honors AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1 AP Physics 2 AP Physics C
Highly Advanced			Physical Science Honors	Biology Honors	Chemistry Honors	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science	AP Biology AP Chemistry AP Environmental Science AP Physics 1 AP Physics 2 AP Physics C

LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Standard	Language Arts 1	Language Arts 2	Language Arts 3	English 1	English 2	English 3	English 4 Florida College Prep
Advanced/ Highly Advanced	Language Arts 1 Advanced	Language Arts Advanced	Language Arts 3 Advanced	English 1 Honors	English 2 Honors	English 3 Honors AP English Language and Composition DE Compositions 1	English 4 Honors AP English Literature and Language Arts DE Composition 2

SOCIAL STUDIES PROGRESSION

	Grade 6	Grade 7	Grade 8	Grade 9	Grade 10	Grade 11	Grade 12
Standard	World History	US History	Civics (beginning 23-24)	World Cultural Geography	World History	US History	Government Economics
Advanced	World History Advanced	US History Advanced	Civics Advanced (beginning 23-24)	World Cultural Geography	World History Honors	US History Honors	Government Honors Economics Honors
Highly Advanced	World History Advanced	US History Advanced	Civics Advanced (beginning 23-24)	AP Human Geography	AP World History	AP US History	AP US Government and Politics AP Microeconomics AP Macroeconomics

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Middle school Civics(now in 8th grade) students and high school US History students must take the state EOC. The EOC will count as 30% of the student's final grade.
- A total of 3 high school social studies credits are required to satisfy graduation requirements. However, college entrance ready students will take a social studies course each year.



Core Course Recommendations & Change Requests

- ▶ In April, your student will bring home a form that has their 2023 - 2024 Middle School Core Course Placements.
- ▶ These placements will be based on the culmination of team developed formative and summative assessments, FAST data, previous FSA scores, and student performance in the classroom throughout this school year.

Schedule Change Considerations:

- ▶ If you would like to submit a change in Core Course placement request, please follow the instructions on your student's course placement form and submit the request in writing with the given protocols to your student's homeroom teacher.
- ▶ Requests made in conferences, emails, or phone calls cannot be honored at this time.
- ▶ **Please note:** requests do not guarantee a change in Core Course placement. Administration will review all requests once FSA scores are returned this summer.

DAILY SCHEDULE

- 7 Period Day – 3 min passing period between classes
- Class Length – 45 min periods - M, T, TH, F
- Wednesday Schedule – 40 min periods
- Lunch – 30 min daily
 - Students will choose their own seating during lunch time
 - Middle School lunch will be combined 6 – 8 grade students.
- Students report to homeroom each day by 8:00 am for important morning announcements (Warning bell rings – 7:55am.)

Elective Options

ELECTIVE (NON-CORE) COURSES

Each student will receive three non-core courses.

1. Physical Education — REQUIRED for all students, **6th, 7th, & 8th grade**. This is a year-long course.
2. ICT I (**6th grade**) & Computer Science (**7th grade**) are required for all students. These are both a year-long course.
EXCEPTION – If a student has not taken ICT I, we will re-evaluate before placing them in CSD.
3. **6th & 7th Grade ONLY** - Choose **ONE** of the following electives (all electives below are a year-long course)
4. **8th grade ONLY** – Choose **TWO** of the following electives. (all electives below are a year-long course)

6 th (Choose 1)	7 th (Choose 1)	8 th grade(Choose 2)
M/J 2-Dimensional Studio Art 1	M/J 2-Dimensional Studio Art 2	Visual Art 1 & Visual Art 2
M/J Band 1	M/J Band 1	M/J Band 2
M/J STEM (Research 1)	M/J Band 2	M/J Band 3
	M/J Spanish Beginning	M/J Spanish Intermediate
	M/J STEM (Research 2)	ICT 2
	Productions Class(School Newspaper/News Crew) (Application – see below)	M/J STEM (Critical Thinking)
		Productions Class(School Newspaper/News Crew) (Application – see below)
		Internship (Application – see below)

Production Class - (chosen by application only – **applications MUST be completed using Forms document link: [Production Class Application](#)** turned in to Mrs. Joker by Friday, March 10 limited to 22 students

Internship and Career Research (semester) - (chosen by application only – **applications MUST be completed using the Forms document link: [Internship Application](#) /OR turned in to Mrs. Palmer by Friday, March 10).** - limited to 50 students



Middle School Electives

- ▶ Elective choice forms will be sent home with students on February 28.
- ▶ Elective choices will be completed through Home Access Center (HAC).
- ▶ Enrollment in electives are not guaranteed, but by using this process, we will be able to open sections based upon demand and teacher certification.
- ▶ All students are required to take the following:
 - ▶ Physical Education
 - ▶ Computers (CSD, ICT)
 - ▶ Elective of Choice
- ▶ Exceptions are made on a per student basis (i.e.: band auditions, acceleration, etc.).

Elective Course Placement

- ▶ The district will notify families during the summer to view elective courses in HAC.
- ▶ At that time, students should view HAC and will be given direction on how to request any change considerations.

Middle School Athletics & SJMSAA

School Sponsored Athletics

- ▶ Basketball
- ▶ Volleyball

SJMSAA Sponsored Events

- ▶ Football
- ▶ Cheerleading
- ▶ Cross Country
- ▶ Dance
- ▶ Soccer
- ▶ Baseball
- ▶ Softball
- ▶ Golf
- ▶ Tennis
- ▶ Please visit the SJMSAA website for more information

Important Dates to Remember

▶ Monday, February 27

- ▶ Elective Forms will be sent home via email on Monday, February 27.

▶ Friday, March 11

- ▶ Elective options must be submitted via link on Elective Form by Friday, March 11. Late submissions will not be accepted.

▶ April

- ▶ Core Course Recommendation hard copy will be sent home with students.
- ▶ All recommendation forms MUST be signed and returned.

▶ Mid-May

- ▶ Watch for information for a 6th Grade summer transition camp



DISCOVERING STRENGTHS & PURSUING DREAMS

Q & A