

FREEDOM CROSSING ACADEMY



**RISING 6TH, 7TH, & 8TH GRADE PARENT
NIGHT PRESENTATION
2025-2026**





Principal- Melissa Lime



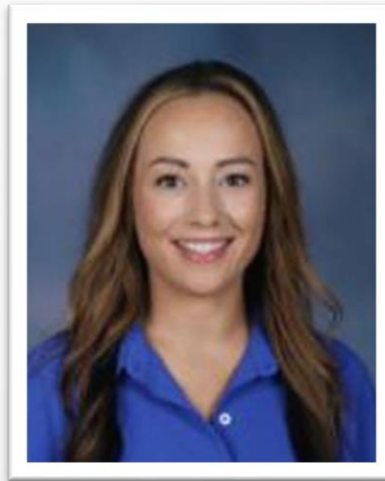
Vice Principal-Holli Strompolis

FREEDOM CROSSING ACADEMY

MIDDLE SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION TEAM

WHO'S WHO

MIDDLE SCHOOL TEAM



Jacquelyn Woollard
School Dean



Lauren O'Shell
*Instructional
Literacy Coach*



Kimberly Jones
Computer Operator



Nicole Moura
School Counselor



Kristen Wannamaker
School Counselor

FALCONS TAKE FLIGHT

FCA Mission Statement

F- FOCUS

L- LEADERSHIP

I-IMAGINATION

G-GRIT

H-HEART

T-TEAM



School Vision

**BREAKING
BARRIERS**

FREEDOM CROSSING ACADEMY

THE FCA WAY

SCHOOL-WIDE BEHAVIOR EXPECTATIONS



- FOCUSED ON SAFETY
- COMMITTED TO RESPONSIBILITY
- ALWAYS RESPECTFUL



School-wide Expectations

Capturing Kids Hearts

A process where faculty and students build a classroom culture that is driven by a class-created social contract that shows how each member will treat each other in all circumstances



LiveSchool

Our PBIS tool for rewarding students who follow the FCA Way and demonstrate our school FLIGHT characteristics



CHARACTER COUNTS! IN ST. JOHNS COUNTY

The Six Pillars of CharacterSM



St. Johns County School District Pillars of the Month

August- All Pillars September-**Fairness** October- **Responsibility** November-**Citizenship**
December-All Pillars January- **Respect** February-**Caring** March-**Trustworthiness**
April- All Pillars May-Citizenship (with an emphasis on patriotism)

To learn more about the Character Counts! Program in St. Johns County, please visit <https://ccstjohns.com/> for more information.

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

Event	Start Time	End Time
1st Period	8:00	8:50
Transition	8:50	8:54
2nd Period	8:54	9:39
Transition	9:39	9:43
3rd Period	9:43	10:28
Transition	10:28	10:32
4th Period	10:32	11:17
Transition	11:17	11:21
5th Period	11:21	12:06
Lunch		
Transition	1:28	1:32
7th Period	1:32	2:20

A Lunch Schedule		
Transition to Lunch	12:06	12:09
A-Lunch	12:09	12:39
Transition to Class	12:39	12:42
6th Period	12:42	1:28
B Lunch Schedule		
Transition to Class	12:06	12:10
6th Period	12:10	12:55
Transition to Lunch	12:55	12:58
B Lunch	12:58	1:28



**A TYPICAL
DAY IN
MIDDLE
SCHOOL**

STAYING ORGANIZED

SCHOLOGY & HOME ACCESS CENTER





▼ Course Options

Materials ▾

Updates

Gradebook

Mastery

Badges

Attendance

Members

Analytics

Information

Grading period
Fall-Spring

Biology 201: Ecology: Section 1

Mimisbrunnr Learning Institute

Add Materials ▾ Options ▾ Student Progress

All Materials ▾

> **Unit 10: The Sun, Earth, and Moon**



Let's investigate the **day and night cycle** as well as the **interactions between the Sun, Earth, and Moon.**

11/19/13 12:00am - 11/22/13 11:59pm

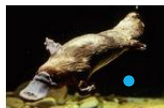
> **Unit 11: Ecosystems**



Let's explore the **elements that make up an ecosystem.**

✓ Must Complete

> **Unit 12: Adaptations**



Let's compare the structure and functions of organisms.

Pop Quiz: Celi Processes **PINK!**
Due Thursday, January 29, 2015 at 11:35 am

Atomic Learning

Microbiology Review

STAYING ORGANIZED WITH SCHOOLOGY

STUDENTS WILL:

- STUDENTS WILL COLOR CODE THEIR SCHOOLOGY CALENDAR USING THE FOLLOWING COLORS FOR EACH SUBJECT AREA.
- **LANGUAGE ARTS- RED**
- **MATH-YELLOW**
- **SOCIAL STUDIES-BLUE**
- **SCIENCE-GREEN**
- **ELECTIVES-PURPLE**
- ALL K-8 STUDENTS WILL UTILIZE THIS COLOR-CODING SYSTEM TO HELP STUDENTS STAY ORGANIZED.



PARENT & STUDENT SCHOOLOGY ACCOUNT INFORMATION



- ACCESS STUDENT CLASSES, CALENDARS, AND ASSIGNMENTS
- PARENTS WILL RECEIVE THEIR PARENT ACCESS CODE THROUGH THEIR PARENT HOME ACCESS CENTER ACCOUNT.
- THE PARENT ACCESS CODE IS LOCATED UNDER THE REGISTRATION TAB.
- PARENTS ONLY NEED ONE PARENT ACCESS CODE TO ACCESS ALL OF THEIR CHILDREN'S SCHOOLOGY ACCOUNTS.
- PARENTS, PLEASE EMAIL YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM TEACHER USING THEIR SCHOOL EMAIL ADDRESS.
- PARENTS, PLEASE VISIT THIS LINK TO CREATE YOUR SCHOOLOGY ACCOUNT FOR THE 2021-2022 SCHOOL YEAR.

[HTTPS://APP.SCHOOLOGY.COM/REGISTER.PHP?TYPE=parent](https://app.schoolology.com/register.php?type=parent)



HAC

eSchoolPLUS

HOME ACCESS CENTER (HAC)

- ACCESS ALL OF YOUR STUDENT'S CURRENT GRADES, PROGRESS REPORTS, AND ASSESSMENT SCORES, TRANSCRIPTS, ATTENDANCE, AND REGISTRATION INFORMATION.
- STUDENTS LOG IN WITH THEIR ACTIVE DIRECTORY USERNAME AND PASSWORD (S-NUMBER). STUDENTS CAN CHECK THEIR GRADES AND VIEW CLASSES AND ASSIGNMENTS.
- PARENTS CAN SEE THEIR REGISTERED STUDENTS WHEN THEY USE THE PARENT LOG IN.
- STUDENTS MOST CURRENT GRADE INCLUDING MISSING ASSIGNMENTS IS POSTED ON HAC.
- HAC IS FOR YOUR CHILD'S OVERALL GRADE. SCHOOLGY IS FOR INDIVIDUAL ASSIGNMENT GRADES ONLY.
- [HTTPS://HOMEACCESS.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US](https://homeaccess.stjohns.k12.fl.us)



SJCSD Middle School Grading Policy

Two Categories:

Formative Assessment-30%

Summative Assessment-70%

The maximum score of 85% on a summative retake assessment remains.

Cheating Policy:

Students are assigned a zero and may retake the assessment for up to 75% (change from 85%)



ACADEMIC EXPECTATIONS

- STUDENTS WILL REPORT TO CLASS ON TIME AND COMPLETE THE ASSIGNMENTS DURING THE CLASS PERIOD.
- STUDENTS WILL COMPLETE THEIR MISSING ASSIGNMENTS IN A REASONABLE AMOUNT OF TIME.
- STUDENTS ARE HELD TO ACADEMIC INTEGRITY, COMPLETING THEIR OWN WORK, NO PLAGIARISM.
- STUDENTS WILL STAY ORGANIZED, USING SCHOOLGY TO MONITOR IMPORTANT DUE DATES.
- STUDENTS WILL MONITOR THEIR CURRENT GRADES IN HAC AND ANY MISSING ASSIGNMENTS.
- STUDENTS WILL REACH OUT TO THEIR CLASSROOM TEACHER WITH ANY QUESTIONS.





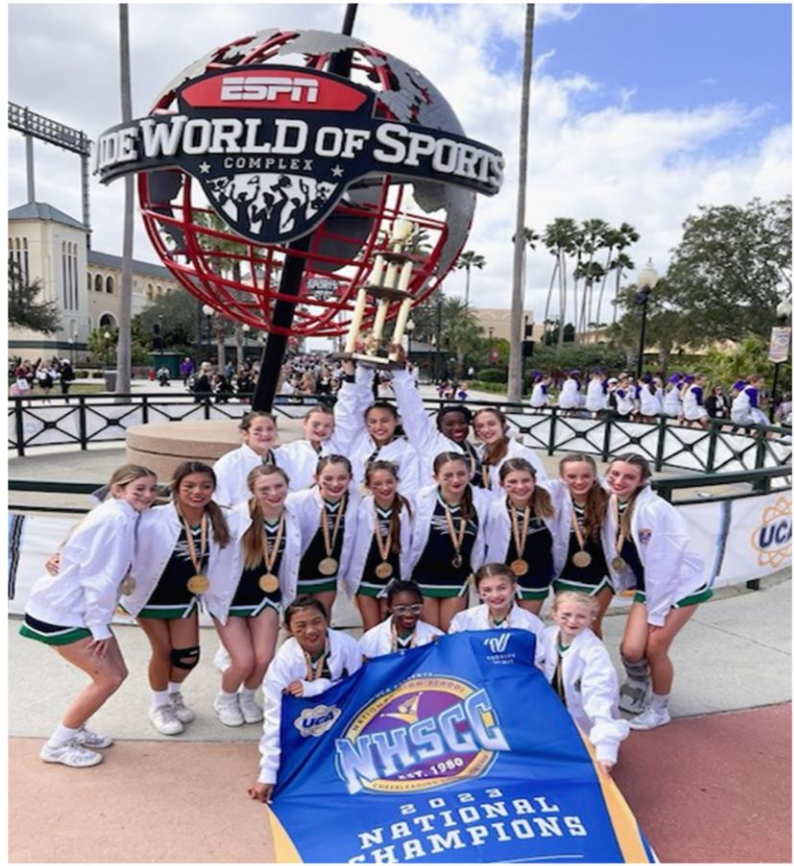
FCA VOLLEYBALL
(FALL SPORT)

FCA BASKETBALL
(WINTER SPORT)

- STUDENTS ENROLLED IN GRADES 6-8 CAN TRY OUT FOR THE SPORTS TEAM.
- PRACTICES ARE AFTERSCHOOL.
- HOME AND AWAY GAMES ARE SCHEDULED ON TUESDAY'S AND THURSDAY'S



St. Johns County Middle School Athletic Association



Current Offerings:

Football

Cheerleading

Soccer

Tennis

and many more!

For more information visit

<https://www.sjmsaa.com/>



CLUBS OFFERED

Falcon Robotics Club

Chess Club

Running Club

Math Counts

National Junior Honor Society

Drama Productions

Student Ambassadors



Falcon Robotics Club



MIDDLE SCHOOL ELECTIVES

2025-2026



6th Grade Electives

PE & COMPUTER SCIENCE 1 (REQUIRED)

Options of 1 of the following:

- Beginning Band
- Concert Band (1yr previous experience)
- Beginning Guitar
- Theatre 1
- Musical Theatre 1
- Two-Dimensional Studio Art 1
- Intensive Reading (Required if Level 1 on FSA)
- Learning Strategies (per IEP Team)



7th Grade Electives

PE (REQUIRED)

Options of 2 of the following:

- Beginning Band
- Advanced Bands-(Previous band experience required)
- Jazz Band (Must also be enrolled in Concert Band – teacher recommendation)
- Beginning Guitar
- 3-D Dimensional Studio Art
- Introduction to Digital Media (Yearbook)
- Computer Science 2
- Theatre 2
- Musical Theatre 1 or 2
- Robotics/ Engineering
- Beginning Spanish
- Intensive Reading (Required if Level 1 on FSA)
- Learning Strategies (per IEP Team)



8th Grade Electives

PE (REQUIRED)

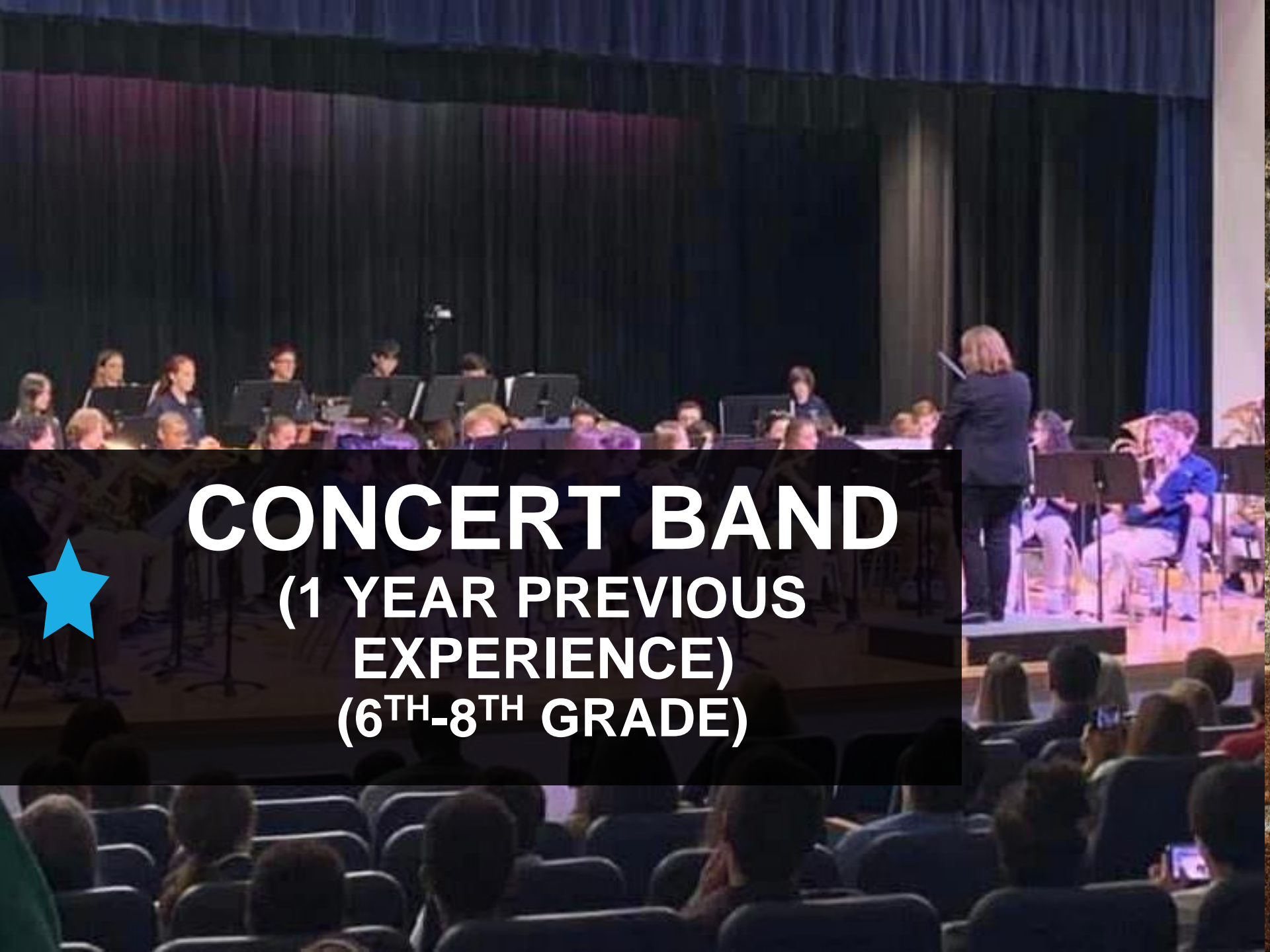
Options of 2 of the following:

- Beginning Band/ Advanced Bands-(Previous band experience required)
- Jazz Band (Must also be enrolled in Concert Band – teacher recommendation)
- Visual Art
- Introduction to Digital Media (Yearbook)
- Musical Theatre
- Theatre 3
- Computer Science 3
- Robotics/ Engineering
- Intermediate Spanish *based on grades and teacher recommendation
- Leadership * application required
- TV Production *application required
- Intensive Reading (Required if Level 1 on FSA)
- Learning Strategies/(per IEP)





★ **BEGINNING BAND**
(6TH-8TH GRADE)



CONCERT BAND
(1 YEAR PREVIOUS
EXPERIENCE)
(6TH-8TH GRADE)





BEGINNING GUITAR
(6TH-8TH GRADE)





THEATRE PROGRAM

(6TH-8TH GRADE)





MUSICAL THEATRE

(6TH-8TH GRADE)





ART PROGRAM

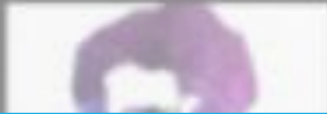
TWO-DIMENSIONAL ART (6TH GRADE)
THREE-DIMENSIONAL ART (7TH GRADE)
VISUAL ART (8TH GRADE)



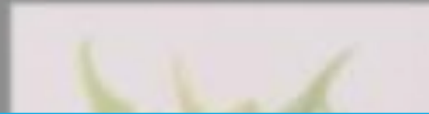
1: Fruit
Monster



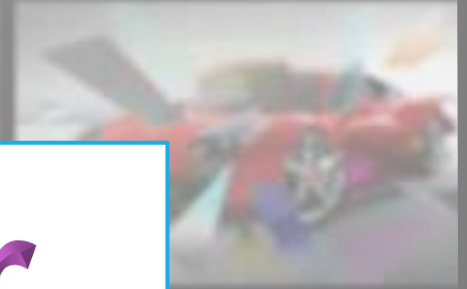
2: Stencil
Portrait



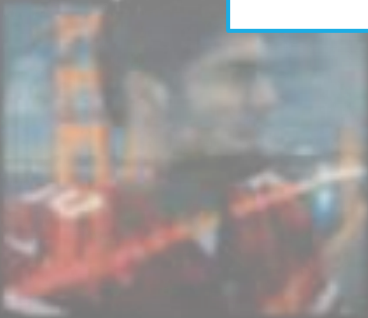
3: Liquify an
Object



4: Cubism
Effect

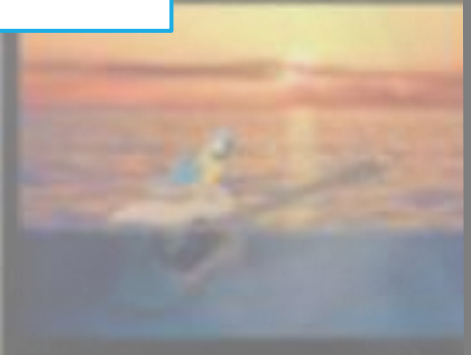


5: Dou
Expos



Computer Science 1-3

Surreal
Scene



SKILLS: MICROSOFT OFFICE, WORD, & MULTIMEDIA
CYBERSECURITY, & COMPUTING

LEADERSHIP

(8TH GRADE)

STUDENTS WILL ENJOY
DEVELOPING THEIR
LEADERSHIP SKILLS BY
PARTICIPATING ONE OR
MORE INTERNSHIP
OPPORTUNITIES IN
ELEMENTARY
CLASSROOMS.

*APPLICATION REQUIRED





TV PRODUCTION (8TH GRADE) *APPLICATION REQUIRED



ROBOTICS/ ENGINEERING

7TH/8TH GRADE





**BEGINNING SPANISH (7TH GRADE)
INTERMEDIATE SPANISH (8TH GRADE)**

Spanish- 7th & 8th Graders

Course content for Beginning Spanish and Intermediate Spanish could be equivalent to high school Spanish 1 Credit

- Students who earn an A or B in these two courses and have shown mastery of the skills from Beginning Spanish and Intermediate Spanish could earn high school standard credit for Spanish 1. These students will be eligible to enroll in Spanish 2 in the 9th grade. This is not an honors high school credit.
- The Spanish 1 grade will be determined by the numerical average of the final grades for Beginning and Intermediate Spanish and will remain on the student's permanent high school transcript.



6TH-8TH GRADE PE

- ALL 6TH, 7TH, AND 8TH STUDENTS TAKE A FULL YEAR OF P.E.
- STUDENTS MUST HAVE A PE UNIFORM
- UNIFORMS CAN BE PURCHASED AT A DISCOUNT RATE IF ORDERED BY THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
- ONLINE FORMS WILL BE AVAILABLE ON THE FCA WEBSITE BEFORE THE END OF THE SCHOOL YEAR
- STUDENTS MUST WEAR SNEAKERS

***PE WAIVERS BASED ON SCHEDULING AVAILABILITY.**



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Task Initiation



Time Management



Attention

Flexibility

Perseverance

LEARNING STRATEGIES

THIS COURSE IS DESIGNED FOR STUDENTS WHO NEED INDIVIDUALIZED INTERVENTION IN ORGANIZATIONAL STRATEGIES (PER STUDENT'S IEP SERVICES & GOALS).

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT THIS COURSE, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR CHILD'S ESE CASE MANAGER.



6th- Amie Griffin



7th-Shari Crisman



8th-Stephanie Hickman

**FREEDOM CROSSING
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ESE CASE MANAGERS**

INTENSIVE READING

This course provides intensive instruction in the area of reading. Placement in this course is based on FAST scores.

Students who earn a 1 on the FAST Reading will be placed in this course for additional support.




FCA Website

HAC Calendar Payments

Search this website

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Students use Clever to access Schoology, Office 365, and other links for students. For online textbooks, students in grades K-5 use Clever and students in grades 6-8 use Schoology.

C Open Clever

Schoology for Families
For Grades 5 - 8

<https://www-fca.stjohns.k12.fl.us/middle-school-3/electives/>

ELECTIVE SELECTION PROCESS

PLEASE CHOOSE YOUR CHILD'S ELECTIVES FOR THE 2025-2026 SCHOOL YEAR BY COMPLETING THE LINK BELOW BY **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 12TH**. IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT KIMBERLY JONES, 904-547-4236.

6TH GRADE: [HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/XCSAUFMSFN?ORIGIN=LPRLINK](https://forms.office.com/r/XCSAUFMSFN?ORIGIN=LPRLINK)

7TH GRADE: [HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/EPGJHC7NBC?ORIGIN=LPRLINK](https://forms.office.com/r/EPGJHC7NBC?ORIGIN=LPRLINK)

8TH GRADE: [HTTPS://FORMS.OFFICE.COM/R/VTXAQ7QKJC?ORIGIN=LPRLINK](https://forms.office.com/r/VTXAQ7QKJC?ORIGIN=LPRLINK)

**MS ELA, MATH, SOCIAL
STUDIES & SCIENCE
PROGRESSION**

2025-2026

MIDDLE SCHOOL COURSE REQUIREMENTS

- Three middle school or higher courses in language arts
- Three middle school or higher courses in mathematics
- Three middle school or higher courses in social studies.
 - Civics (End of Course Exam)
 - Career Planning
- Three middle school or higher courses in science
- Physical Education



ENGLISH/ LANGUAGE ARTS PROGRESSION

6TH GRADE

ELA STANDARD

ELA ADVANCED

7TH GRADE

ELA STANDARD

ELA ADVANCED

8TH GRADE

ELA STANDARD

ELA ADVANCED

*FAST Progress Monitoring 3 times per year.



MATH PROGRESSION

FCA OFFERS A VARIETY OF OPTIONS FOR MIDDLE GRADES STUDENTS DEPENDING ON THEIR INDIVIDUALIZED LEARNING PATH FOR MATH:

6th GRADE

Standard Math

Accelerated Math

7th GRADE

Standard Math

Accelerated Math

Algebra Honors*

8th GRADE

Pre-Algebra

Algebra Honors*

Geometry Honors*

*FAST Progress Monitoring 3 times per year (Standard & Advanced Math)

Algebra I Honors and Geometry Honors are high school credit courses. Both courses have an End of Course assessment which is 30% of their final grade. Passing the Algebra 1 EOC is a graduation requirement.

BEST Standards by Topic - 6th Accelerated

Topic 1 MA.6.NSO.3.1 MA.6.NSO.3.2 MA.6.NSO.2.1 MA.6.NSO.2.2	Topic 2 MA.6.NSO.3.5 MA.6.NSO.2.3 MA.6.NSO.2.3	Topic 3 MA.6.NSO.1.1 MA.6.NSO.1.2 MA.6.NSO.1.2 MA.6.NSO.1.3 MA.6.NSO.1.4
Topic 4 MA.6.GR.1.1 MA.6.GR.1.2 MA.6.GR.1.3	Topic 5 MA.6.AR.3.1 MA.6.AR.3.2 MA.6.AR.3.3 MA.6.AR.3.4 MA.6.AR.3.5	Topic 6 MA.6.NSO.3.3 MA.6.NSO.3.4 MA.6.NSO.4.1 MA.6.NSO.4.2
Topic 7 MA.6.GR.2.1 MA.6.GR.2.2 MA.7.GR.1.1 MA.7.GR.1.2	Topic 8 MA.6.GR.2.3 MA.6.GR.2.4	Topic 9 MA.6.DP.1.1 MA.6.DP.1.2 MA.6.DP.1.3 MA.6.DP.1.4 MA.6.DP.1.5
Topic 10 MA.6.DP.1.5 MA.6.DP.1.6 MA.7.DP.1.1 MA.7.DP.1.2 MA.7.DP.1.3	Topic 11 MA.7.NSO.2.1 MA.7.NSO.2.2 MA.7.NSO.2.3	Topic 12 MA.7.AR.3.1 MA.7.AR.3.2
Topic 13 MA.6.AR.1.1 MA.6.AR.1.3 MA.6.AR.1.4 MA.6.AR.2.1 MA.7.AR.1.1 MA.7.AR.1.2	Topic 14 MA.6.AR.1.2 MA.6.AR.2.4 MA.6.AR.2.2 MA.6.AR.2.3 MA.7.AR.2.1	Topic 15 MA.7.DP.2.1 MA.7.DP.2.2 MA.7.DP.2.3 MA.7.DP.2.4

43- 6th grade standards

17 - 7th grade standards

BEST Standards by Topic - 7th grade Accelerated

7th Standards covers 36 - 7th grade standards

7th Accelerated (Pre-Algebra) covers 20-7th grade standards and 39-8th grade standards

Topic 1 MA.7.NSO.1.2 MA.7.AR.2.2 MA.8.AR.2.2	Topic 2 MA.8.AR.2.3 MA.8.NSO.1.1 MA.8.NSO.1.2	Topic 3 MA.7.NSO.1.1 MA.8.NSO.1.3 MA.8.NSO.1.4
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Topic 7 MA.7.AR.4.1 MA.7.AR.4.2 MA.7.AR.4.3 MA.7.AR.4.4	Topic 8 MA.7.GR.1.3 MA.7.GR.1.4 MA.7.DP.1.4	Topic 9 MA.7.GR.2.1 MA.7.GR.2.2 MA.7.GR.2.3
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Topic 16 MA.8.GR.1.4 MA.8.GR.1.5 MA.8.GR.1.6	Topic 17 MA.8.DP.2.1 MA.8.DP.2.2 MA.8.DP.2.3	

20- 7th grade standards

39- 8th grade standards

SOCIAL STUDIES PROGRESSION

6TH GRADE

WORLD HISTORY
ADVANCED

7TH GRADE

US HISTORY
ADVANCED

8TH GRADE

CIVICS ADVANCED

**CIVICS END OF
COURSE*

*ASSESSMENT IS 30%
OF THE FINAL GRADE
IN THE COURSE.*



SCIENCE PROGRESSION

6th GRADE

Advanced Science

7th GRADE

Advanced Science

8th GRADE

Advanced Science

Physical Science Honors
*High School Credit/
Math Requirement

*All 8th graders must take the Florida
Statewide Science Assessment.



PHYSICAL SCIENCE HONORS

A grade of an A or a high B in 7th grade Advanced Science is required

Concurrent enrollment in Algebra 1 Honors or Geometry

- A Level 5 on both the Math and Reading FAST is recommended
- High School Credit Course
- Students will take the Florida Science Assessment



Important Dates & Reminders

- Please complete the grade level Microsoft Form with your child's top three elective choices for the 2025-2026 school year by **Wednesday, February 12th**.
- Your child's core course recommendations and electives will be posted on the Home Access Center on **March 3rd** for parents to review. Parents will have the opportunity to request changes to their student's recommendations at that time. Schedules will not be final until school starts.

HELPFUL RESOURCES



**ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MIDDLE SCHOOL
PROGRESSION PLAN**

[HTTPS://WWW.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/SPP/MIDDLE/](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/spp/middle/)

**ST. JOHNS COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH AND
WELLNESS**

[HTTPS://WWW.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/MENTAL-HEALTH/](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/mental-health/)

PARENT RESOURCE GUIDE

[HTTPS://WWW.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/FAMILIES/RESOURCE/](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/families/resource/)

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

[HTTPS://WWW.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/CS/](https://www.stjohns.k12.fl.us/cs/)

FREEDOM CROSSING ACADEMY WEBSITE

[HTTPS://WWW-FCA.STJOHNS.K12.FL.US/](https://www-fca.stjohns.k12.fl.us/)

CAPTURING KIDS HEARTS

[HTTPS://WWW.CAPTURINGKIDSHEARTS.ORG](https://www.capturingkidshearts.org)

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