

SUBJECT AREA: CORE

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Understanding of social studies concepts	
Understanding of literature concepts	
Reading skills	
Writing skills	
Oral expression	
Fifth Grade:	
Mechanics	
Editing/proofreading/revising	
Spelling quizzes	
Vocabulary homework	
Research skills	
Recalling facts, ideas, and vocabulary	
Identifying key ideas in texts	
Sixth Grade:	
Reading Workshop	
Writing Workshop	
Grammar	
Vocabulary	
Booktalks	
Current Events	
Geography	
Seventh Grade:	
Writing Workshop	
Reading Workshop	
Booktalks	
Eighth Grade:	
Writing workshop	
Independent reading	
Grammar	
Research skills	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Final projects, papers, and tests	1/2
Quizzes, graded homework and classwork	1/4
Effort, participation, and conduct	1/4

SUBJECT AREA: MATH

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Problem solving	
Verbal mathematical communication	
Written mathematical communication	
Computation skills (Beat the Basics)	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Final projects, papers, and tests	1/2
Quizzes, graded homework and classwork	1/4
Effort, participation, and conduct	1/4

SUBJECT AREA: SCIENCE

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Making written observations	
Identifying variables	
Justifying statements with evidence	
Formulating questions	
Organizing data	
Planning / modifying procedures	
Problem solving skills	
Communication Skills	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Final projects, papers, and tests	1/2
Quizzes, graded homework and classwork	1/4
Effort, participation, and conduct	1/4

SUBJECT AREA: SPANISH

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Pronunciation	
Listening comprehension	
Speaking	
Reading comprehension	
Writing	
Cultural knowledge	
Fifth Grade:	
Basic vocabulary usage	
Cognate recognition	
Sixth Grade:	
Command of subject pronouns	
Present tense verb conjugations (reg. and irreg.)	
Seventh Grade:	
Gender / number / adjective agreement	
Past tense conjugation	
Eighth Grade:	
Complex sentence formation	
Irregular preterite / reg. and irreg. imperfect	
Comparison of past tenses	
Oral expression	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Final projects, papers, and tests	½
Quizzes, graded homework and classwork	¼
Effort, participation, and conduct	¼

SUBJECT AREA: FRENCH

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Pronunciation	
Listening comprehension	
Speaking	
Reading comprehension	
Writing	
Cultural knowledge	
Fifth Grade:	
Basic vocabulary usage	
Cognate recognition	
Sixth Grade:	
Command of subject pronouns	
Present tense verb conjugations (regular "er" verbs and usage of two verbs in a sentence)	
Seventh Grade:	
Gender / number / adjective agreement	
Future proche tense	
Eighth Grade:	
Complex sentence formation	
Reg. and irreg. Passe composé with avoir and être	
Formal composition structure	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Final projects, papers, and tests	½
Quizzes, graded homework and classwork	¼
Effort, participation, and conduct	¼

SUBJECT AREA: DRAMA

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Voice: Projection	
Voice: Enunciation	
Vocal qualities (e.g., Inflection, tempo)	
Eye contact	
Character development	
Scene analysis	
Ability to stay in character	
Movement	
Ability to interpret text	
Sensitivity to other actor's needs	
Ability to constructively critique oneself	
Ability to constructively critique others	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities/theater games	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Year-long content and skill areas	⅓
Quarter content and skill areas	⅓
Effort, participation and conduct	⅓
Overall Grade for the Quarter	

SUBJECT AREA: ART

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Understands art-making processes and techniques	
Skillful and appropriate use of art materials	
Ability to develop ideas and problem solve	
Ability to think creatively and take risks	
Ability to be self-reflective	
Understands and utilizes art vocabulary	
Studio habits: preparation and clean up of materials	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Shows care and attention to details	
Thorough completion of assignments/artwork	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Year-long content and skill areas	1/3
Quarter content and skill areas	1/3
Effort, participation and conduct	1/3

SUBJECT AREA: MUSIC

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Maintains proper posture while singing	
Uses breath to articulate musical phrases	
Sings with accurate pitch	
Adds and blends voice to ensemble sound	
Displays proper technique when playing instruments	
Listens to and responds to instrumental ensemble	
Command of musical vocabulary	
Listens actively to varied music forms	
Demonstrates overall sense of musicality	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Timely homework completion	
Thorough completion of assignments	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities / performances	
Chooses a wide variety of instruments to play	
Helps classmates solve musical problems	
Is open and eager to approach new music	
Reads music to the best of student's ability	
Seeks help from other students when needed	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Year-long content and skill areas	1/3
Quarter content and skill areas	1/3
Effort, participation and conduct	1/3

SUBJECT AREA: PE

Curriculum: Content & Skills	
Year-Long Content and Skill Areas	
Skill work	
Fitness	
Understanding of rules and strategies	
Organizational skills	
Discussion skills	
Presentation skills	
Stays focused on task	
Follows directions	
Group work skills	
Independent work skills	
Effort, Participation and Conduct	
Prepared for class (with assignments and materials)	
Active in class discussions	
Active in class activities	
Respectful of adults	
Respectful of peers	
Respectful of class norms and classroom environment	
Course Grade	Counts as
Effort – Works hard during warm-ups, skill work and games/activities	1/3
Participation – Positively involved in games and activities	1/3
Sportsmanship – Plays fair and treats others with respect	1/3