

# Switzerland Point Middle School

## Home of the Raiders!



# Introductions

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# Middle School in General

The State of Florida requires the following for promotion each year:

- Pass Language Arts
- Pass Math
- Pass Science
- Pass Social Studies

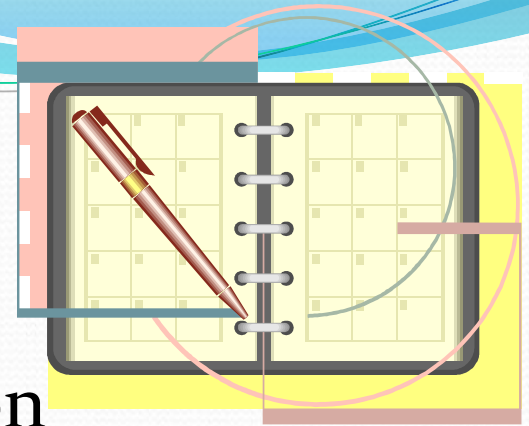
Additional requirements:

- Support for students with FSA ELA Level 1 or 2
- Support for students with FSA Math Level 1 or 2





# Schedule



- Swiss Point students take 7 courses on an alternating day schedule.
- Silver Day – 3 classes
- Black Day – 3 different classes
- “Skinny” at the beginning of the day – 1<sup>st</sup> period
- Block classes are 90 minutes in length, “Skinny” is 50 minutes.
- Wednesday – 1pm dismissal

# Core Courses (Required)

- Language Arts 3\* – standard or advanced
- Pre-Algebra, Algebra 1 Honors or Geometry Honors
- Comprehensive Science 3\* – standard or advanced or Biology Honors (MUST be taking Geometry Honors)
- Social Studies\* (US History) – standard or advanced

\* Indicates courses that parents and students may choose to take as standard or advanced based on 2017 FSA Reading scores and final 7<sup>th</sup> grade course grades.

- If students are interested in advanced, we strongly recommend....

If 2017 FSA ELA Level is a 3, only take 1 advanced course

If 2017 FSA ELA Level is a 4, only take 2 advanced courses

If 2017 FSA ELA Level is a 5, then you can choose to take all 3 advanced courses



# Math

Students are PLACED in math based on their 2017 FSA Math level.

If 2017 FSA Math is Level 1 or 2 – students will be placed in Pre-Algebra blocked with Intensive Math, so they have math every day for 90 minutes.

If 2017 FSA Math is Level 3 – students will be placed in Pre-Algebra.

If 2017 FSA Math is Level 4 or 5 & 2017 FSA ELA is Level 1 , 2 or 3– students will be placed in Pre-Algebra

If 2017 FSA Math is Level 4 or 5 AND 2017 FSA ELA is Level 4 or 5 – students will be placed in Algebra 1 Honors. (Parents can request Pre-Algebra.)

Students who took Algebra 1 Honors in 7<sup>th</sup> grade will take Geometry Honors. Students that earn a C in Algebra 1 Honors should repeat.

# Math Standards

6 <sup>th</sup> grade Standards	7 <sup>th</sup> grade Standards	8 <sup>th</sup> grade Standards	Next course
Math 1 Standard	Math 2 Standard	Pre-Algebra	Algebra 1 Hon
Math 1 Advanced	Math 2 Advanced		Algebra 1 Hon

# Math Progression

6 <sup>th</sup>	7 <sup>th</sup>	8 <sup>th</sup>	9 <sup>th</sup>	10 <sup>th</sup>	11 <sup>th</sup>	12 <sup>th</sup>
Math 1	Math 2	Pre-Alg	Algebra 1	Geometry	Algebra 2	Pre Calculus

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Math 1 Adv	Math 2 Adv	Pre-Algebra Standard	Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre Calculus OR Stats
		Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre Calculus	AP Calc AB OR Stats

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Math 1 Adv	Algebra 1 Honors	Geometry Honors	Algebra 2 Honors	Pre Calculus	AP Calculus AB	AP Calculus BC OR AP Stats



# Non-core Courses

3 non-core courses are taken each year.

In 8<sup>th</sup> grade, ALL students take.....

Physical Education (year-long)

ICT Essential 3 (year-long)

Choice non-core courses....

Drama 2, 2-D Art, MS Beginning Spanish,  
MS Intermediate Spanish, MS Advanced Spanish, Band,  
Jazz, Guitar, News Crew, Yearbook, Classroom aides –  
Hickory, ESE, Math, Band, Computers, Science, Media.

# ICT Essentials 3

- Legislation that 75% of MS students will earn a digital tools certification each year. Why? Estimated that there will be 2 million computer science jobs that need to be filled by 2020.
- Bartram has a new IT Academy with an emphasis on programming.
- Course Topics
  - Web Design
  - Gaming
  - Programming & Logic
  - Basic Networking



# Spanish

- MS Beginning Spanish = 1<sup>st</sup> semester of HS Spanish 1
- MS Intermediate Spanish = 2<sup>nd</sup> sem of HS Spanish 1
- MS Advanced Spanish = review of Spanish 1 & preparation for HS Spanish 2

MS Beg & Int Spanish **are equivalent to** HS Spanish 1

If both MS courses are taken, the final grades can be averaged and placed on the transcript for HS Spanish 1. Parents must chose this option early 2<sup>nd</sup> semester.

Students will then take Spanish 2 in HS.



# Support for Level 1 or 2

- Students scoring Level 1 or 2 on 2017 FSA ELA will take Intensive Reading blocked with Lang Arts 3 for 90 minutes of Language Arts each day.
- Students scoring Level 1 or 2 on 2017 FSA Math will take Intensive Math blocked with Pre-Algebra for 90 minutes of Pre-Algebra every day.

We will work with these students on their non-core course(s).

# Exceptional Student Education (ESE) Services...Students with an IEP

To help students who are mainstreamed and will earn a regular diploma in high school, we will offer the following:

- Reading support with ESE through Language Arts blocked with Intensive Reading & Standard Language Arts
- Math support with ESE Co-Teacher in Pre-Algebra blocked w/Intensive Math
- Math support facilitation with ESE teacher in Pre-Algebra
- Consultation





# Gifted Services

- EP written at end of 5<sup>th</sup> grade and is good through middle school. EP will be rewritten in May 2018 for high school.
- Gifted students take all 3 advanced classes – Language Arts, Science & Social Studies - UNLESS you tell us in writing to place in standard Language Arts, Science, or Social Studies.
- Language Arts, Science 3 & Social Studies teachers have gifted endorsement or are obtaining the endorsement.
- Students are placed together in 2 or 3 sections.



# Virtual Option

- Students take a virtual course through St. Johns Virtual (franchise of FL Virtual) in lieu of a traditional classroom setting.
- Students report to the ISD room during the assigned period to work on virtual course.
- Adult supervision is provided, but no assistance with the course.
- Student is responsible for completing the course on time.

# Students entering 9<sup>th</sup> gr 2015-2016

## Standard Diploma

4 credits in English

4 credits in Math  
Must have Algebra &  
Geometry

3 credits in Science  
Must have Biology

3 credits in Soc Studies  
World, US, Gov & Econ

1 credit in Fine &  
Performing Arts,  
Speech & Debate or  
Practical Arts

1 credit in HOPE\*

8 elective credits

1 online course

## Scholar Diploma

In addition to Standard Diploma...

Pass the ELA Grade 10 statewide assessment (FSA)

Earn 1 credit in Alg 2 and pass EOC

Pass Geometry EOC

Earn 1 credit in Statistics or equally rigorous course

Pass the Biology EOC

Earn 1 credit in Chemistry or Physics

Earn 1 credit in a course equally as rigorous to  
chemistry or physics

Pass the US History EOC

Earn 2 credits in the same World Language

Earn at least 1 credit in Advanced Placement, IB, AICE  
or Dual Enrollment. Takes exam and earns the  
minimum score to earn college credit.

\*HOPE=Health Opportunities through Physical Education

# Requests for HOPE online

- Why? What is the long term plan?

- 9<sup>th</sup> graders take 7 courses:

English 1

Math

Science

Social Studies (SS elective)

HOPE (Blended to meet virtual requirement)

elective (possibly an academy elective)

elective

**Elective choices for 9<sup>th</sup> graders in addition to Academies:** Art, Spanish or American Sign Language, Dance, Band, Guitar, Chorus, Theatre, Film 1, Creative Writing, TV Production, Research 1 (Bible)



# Exams for each course

- **Florida's Statewide, Standardized assessments**
  - FSA (Florida Standards Assessment) administered in Writing, Reading, and Math
  - **SSA (State-wide Science Assessment) in 5<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade**
  - **EOCs (End of Course)** developed at the State level and administered across the state in MS Civics, HS Algebra, HS Geometry, HS Biology, HS US History.
- **Final Exams**
  - All other courses
  - Count 10% for MS courses
  - Count 10% for HS courses

# Florida Standards Assessment

- FSA Writing & Reading scored together for ELA score
  - FSA Writing
    - 120 minutes
    - 7<sup>th</sup> grade paper/pencil – administered in HR
    - Students read two pieces of text and respond to a prompt supporting their response with evidence from the text.
  - FSA Reading
    - 2 - 85 min sessions on 2 days
    - Computer-based
- FSA Math (Students in Math 2 standard or advanced)
  - 3 - 60 min sessions – 1 session day 1 & 2 sessions on day 2
  - Computer-based



# Florida Standards Assessment

- Algebra EOC – 30% of course grade – must pass for HS graduation
  - 2 - 90 min sessions – administered over 2 days
  - Computer-based
- Civics EOC – 30% of course grade
  - 1 - 160 min session
  - Computer-based



# Important Dates

- FSA Writing – Tuesday, Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>
- FSA Math – Wed & Thu, April 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>
- FSA Reading – Fri & Mon, April 21<sup>st</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>
- Civics EOC – Mon-Wed, May 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup>
- Algebra EOC – Tue & Wed, May 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>
- District Final Exams – May 15<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>
- Make-up exams – May 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>
- Last Day of School – May 24<sup>th</sup>
- Last day to change courses for 17-18 – Monday, July 10<sup>th</sup>

# Washington DC

- Dates for next year:

Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> to Friday, January 12<sup>th</sup>.

- Cost around \$900 for students and \$1,000 for adults.
- 3 days in Washington DC
- ½ day in Gettysburg, PA
- ½ day in Lancaster, PA
- Sign-ups in August with a \$250 deposit



# Questions

