

ART

- Art history
- Awareness of design/technology
- Drawing
- Painting
- Printmaking
- Sculpture (three-dimensional)

LIBRARY PROGRAM

- Resource selection and access
- Research/resource utilization
- Literature appreciation
- Digital citizenship

MUSIC

- Music and culture
- Musical theater
- Guitar
- Band
- Orchestra
- Chorus

TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

- Engineering design process
- Safe and proper use of tools and machines
- Study 4 core systems of technology
 - Construction
 - Manufacturing
 - Transportation
 - Communication
- Problem solving method

PHYSICAL EDUCATION

- Aquatics
- Physical fitness
- Cooperative games
- Soccer
- Track and field
- Basketball
- Capture the flag
- Floor hockey
- Badminton
- Boys touch football
- Girls field hockey

DALLASTOWN AREA SCHOOL DISTRICT



THE GOOD STUFF'S



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7th GRADE CURRICULUM GUIDE

Our mission is to provide a safe, challenging, and relevant learning environment that inspires and creates pathways for student success.

In the Dallastown Area School District, the middle school curriculum has been developed to match the instruction and assessment procedures that are used in our integrated, mixed-ability classrooms. All three components—curriculum, assessment, and instruction—are continuously modified to provide classroom environments that better meet each student’s individual learning style and instructional level.

Our classroom instruction focuses on a process approach that provides students with opportunities for involvement in their own learning and a more hands-on, participatory environment. A strong and consistent staff development program that focuses on helping staff find effective instructional assessment strategies and techniques for improved student learning has supported the transition over the past decade towards these developmentally appropriate classrooms. As instruction and assessment has changed, so too has the written curriculum.

The intent of the middle school curriculum is to provide a written framework of instruction and assessment that is consistent for each student in the Dallastown Area School District. The curriculum is never finished, as it changes and evolves based on the needs of our students and our community.

LANGUAGE ARTS

- Analysis and interpretation of literature in all genres
- Literary elements
- Strategies for comprehending text in all content areas
- Writing in narrative, informational, and persuasive modes
- Characteristics of effective writing
- Active participation in small and large group discussions and presentations
- Vocabulary

MATHEMATICS

- Ratios and proportional reasoning
- Integers
- Percents
- Rational numbers
- Expressions
- Equations and inequalities
- Geometric figures
- Measure figures
- Probability
- Statistics

SCIENCE

- Nature of science
- Nature of life
- Cells
- Genetics
- Classification
- Diversity of living things
- Ecology

SOCIAL STUDIES

- Geography
- Archeology
- Middle Ages
- Mesopotamia
- Egypt
- Greeks
- Romans
- Renaissance

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

- Team building
- Financial and consumer science
- Challenges facing individuals and families
- Clothing and textiles

GUIDANCE RESEARCH

- Academic development
- Career development
- Personal and social development

WORLD LANGUAGE

- Introduction to the languages: German, French, Latin, Spanish
- Basic vocabulary
- Culture
- Basic sounds