



Prince Edward County Middle School

Program of Studies

Course Offerings

2015 – 2016

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“All Students Matter”

Located in Prince Edward County Virginia, Prince Edward County Middle School serves students in grades 5, 6, 7, & 8. We understand that middle school students are going through physical, social, emotional, psychological, and intellectual changes. Our job as an educational institution is to find ways to make these changes, while ensuring that our students have basic foundations in reading, writing, comprehending, and critical thinking.

It is important that we create and maintain partnerships with parents and the community to achieve the goal of a successful middle school experience for all students. In addition to our academic programs, we offer after school programs that include band, clubs, tutoring, enrichment and sports.

Prince Edward County Middle School follows the middle school philosophy by organizing our students and teachers into teams at each grade level. These teams provide support, have common rules, and follow consistent procedures. The teams are able to help nurture and guide the students' journey through the middle school years. Teams have four core area teachers with approximately 70 to 75 students on each team. The teachers meet regularly to discuss academic progress and areas in need of remediation.

Vision Statement

Prince Edward County Public Schools will be high performing schools of choice that educate a diverse population to be informed, responsible, and productive citizens.

Mission Statement

Our mission is to enable each student to achieve full intellectual, personal, and vocational potential.

The Program of Studies has been developed to assist parents and students in creating a road map of success starting at the middle school and continuing throughout the high school. Working with counselors and teachers, you and your child should select those courses meeting your child's individual needs.

2015-2016 Course Offerings

By Course (numerical number)

High School Credit Classes

Algebra I grade 8
Geometry grade 8

Spanish I grade 7
Spanish II grade 8
Keyboarding Applications grade 8

Students taking a high school credit class may earn a standard credit and or a verified credit.

What is a Standard Unit of Credit?

A standard unit of credit is awarded for a course in which the student successfully completes the objectives of the course and the equivalent of 140 clock hours of instruction.

What is a Verified Credit?

Verified Credit = Passing the class and the SOL test

A “verified unit of credit” for graduation is a course credit based on a minimum of 140 clock hours of instruction, successful completion of the requirements of the course, and the achievement by the student of a passing score on the end-of-course SOL (Standards of Learning) test for that course.

English Offerings

English 5
Advanced English 5

English 6
Advanced English 6

English 7
Advanced English 7

English 8
Advanced English 8

History/Social Studies Offerings

VA Studies grade 5
Advanced VA Studies

US History I grade 6
Advanced US History I

US History II grade 7
Advanced US History II

Civics Economics grade 8
Advanced Civics/Economics

Math Offerings (Middle School Level)

Math grade 5
Advanced Math

Math grade 6
Advanced Math

Math grade 7
Advance Math

Math grade 8
Pre-Algebra
Algebra I

Science Offerings

Science grade 5
Advanced Science

Science grade 6
Advanced Science

Life Science grade 7
Advanced Science

Physical Science grade 8
Advanced Physical Science

Health and Physical Education and Elective (exploratory) are not in numerical order

Physical Fitness (males) grade 5
Physical Fitness (females)

Health & PE (males) grade 6
Health & PE (females)

Health & PE (males) grade 7
Health & PE (females)

Health & PE (males) grade 8
Health & PE (females)

Semester Exploratory classes offered to 5th graders alternating with Physical Fitness

Art, Computer, Work & Family

Semester Exploratory classes offered to 6th graders alternating with Health & PE

Art, Computer, Work & Family

The following semester long elective classes are offered to 7th graders:

Art, Work & Family, Music Appreciation, Computer

The following semester long elective classes are offered to 8th graders:

Art, Work & Family, Music Appreciation

The following year long elective classes are offered to students:

Advanced Art grades 5, 6, 7, 8
Band grades 5, 6, 7, 8
Spanish I grade 7
Spanish II grade 8
Keyboarding Applications grade 8

Alternative School Course Offerings for Grade 6, 7, & 8

Alt. Sch. Eng. grades 6, 7, 8

Alt. Sch. US I
Alt. Sch. US II
Alt. Sch. Civics 8

Alt. Sch. Math 6
Alt. Sch. Math 7
Alt. Sch. Pre-Alg
Alt. Sch. Algebra I

Alt. Sch. Science 6
Alt. Sch. Life Science 7
Alt. Sch. Physical Science 8

Special Education Class Offerings

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Inclusion English 5, 6, 7, 8

Inclusion Virginia Studies 5, US History I
US History II, Civics 8

Inclusion Math 5, Math 6, Math 7, Pre-Algebra

Inclusion Science 5, Science 6
Life Science 7, Physical Science 8

Special Education Class Offerings – Self Contained

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English grades 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th

Math grades 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th

Science grades 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th

Social Studies grades 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th

The grading system for pupils in grades 5-8 is as follows:

91 – 100 =	A
81 – 90 =	B
71 – 80 =	C
66 – 70 =	D
0 – 65 =	F

Incomplete = I
(must be changed to a grade upon completion of work, within two weeks of distribution of report cards)