



Middle School Progression (New Student Information)

We expect all students and families to understand the course progression at the Math & Science Academy and the rigor that goes along with these classes. Your child will receive several hours of homework each week for most of the classes listed below.

Art

One semester of Art is required during middle school.

Students are scheduled for Art in 8th grade.

English

Students must complete the following English classes:

- English 6 (6th grade) 1 year
- English 7 (7th grade) 1 year
- English 8 (8th grade) 1 year

Please contact Mrs. Burggraaff at mburggraaff@mnmsa.org with any questions.

Health

One semester of Health is required during middle school. Students are scheduled for Health in 7th grade.

Math

Middle school students may be at a different level in math. Students must complete one full year of math with a passing grade before moving to the next class. Below is a typical progression during middle school:

- Middle School 1 (6th grade) 1 year
- Middle School 2 (6th or 7th grade) 1 year
- Integrated I (6th, 7th, or 8th grade) 1 year
- Integrated II (7th or 8th grade) 1 year
- Integrated III (8th grade) 1 year

Contact Mrs. Smith at msmith@mnmsa.org with any questions. For more information, please see the Course Guide on the MSA website/Parents/Course Guide.

Physical Education

Below are the PE requirements for middle school:

- Physical Education (6th grade) 1 sem.
- Physical Education (7th grade) 1 sem.
- Physical Education (8th grade) 1 sem.

Contact Mrs. Richert at trichert@mnmsa.org with any questions.

Spanish

Students must have the following progression:

- MS Spanish IA (6th Grade) 1 year
- MS Spanish IB (7th Grade) 1 year
- HS Spanish I (8th Grade) 1 year

If you attended a Spanish Immersion school or speak Spanish at home, please contact Mrs. Larson at klarson@mnmsa.org for a placement exam.

Science

Students must have the following progression of middle school science classes:

- Life Science (6th grade) 1 year
- Earth Science (7th grade) 1 year
- Physical Science (8th grade) 1 year
MSA's Physical Science course is the equivalent of a high school Physical Science course.

Contact Mrs. Howe at chowe@mnmsa.org with any questions.

Social Studies

Students will follow the below Social Studies progression:

- Minnesota Studies (6th grade) 1 year
- U.S. Studies (7th grade) 1 year
- Global Studies (8th grade) 1 year

Please contact Mrs. Anderson at landerson@mnmsa.org with any questions.