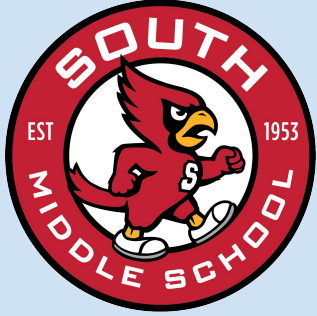

Special Education Support in Middle School



Agenda

- General information about middle school day
- Overview of special education supports
- Tips on how you can help your child with the transition
- Questions

Individualized Education Plan

- Upcoming slides share an overview of special education support in both middle schools.
- Your child's IEP is based on their needs which drives their schedule and each subject area considered separately.
- There will be an IEP Transition meeting with a middle school representative to answer any questions about your child's specific needs in middle school.
- Needs change throughout the year and schedules can change too.



Middle School Day



- **Schedule**

- Hours: 7:50 am - 2:45 pm
- 10 class periods daily, 40 minute periods
- All students start the day in homebase or homeroom

- **Classes**

- Academics: Math, ELA, Science, Social Studies, World Language
- Physical Education and Health
- Creative Arts: Music, Art, Drama, STEM, DAAD, CMA
- Homeroom
- Lunch

General Education Class with shared TA support

- General Education Class
- General Education Curriculum
- Taught by General Education Teacher who will consult with special education team and implement IEP accommodations.
- Shared Teaching Assistant will help to implement accommodations and modifications per the IEP.

Co-Taught Class

- General Education Class
- General Education Curriculum
- Taught by General Education AND Special Education Teachers
- Class Offerings vary annually based on student need

Small Group Classes

- Small Group Special Education Class
 - Math
 - English/Language Arts (ELA)
- Curriculum is determined by student need
- Taught by Special Education Teacher
- Grade level classes

Extended Resource Program (ERP)

- Small Group Special Education Class
- Program Teaching Assistant support
- Research-based alternate curriculum
- Multi-grade level classes
- Intensive Academic Support replaces World Language class
- Social Skills Group targets self help, advocacy, executive functioning, peer relationships
- Related services (e.g. speech therapy) support provided

Individualized Learning Program (ILP)

- Small Group Special Education Classes
 - General Education Classes for PE, Lunch, Creative Arts
- Program Teaching Assistant support
- Research-based alternate academic curriculum
- Multi-grade level classes
- Intensive Functional Academic and Life Skills Support
- Social Skills Group targets self help, advocacy, executive functioning, peer relationships
- Related services (e.g. speech therapy, social work, OT) are integrated

Resource Period

- Special Education Class
- Taken in place of World Language
- Taught by Special Education Teacher
- Grade level classes
- Individualized support can include:
 - Pre-teach and reteach of core academics: math, language arts, science, social studies
 - Organizational support
 - Test preparation
 - Homework help

Related Service Providers

- Speech Language Pathologist
- Social Worker
- Behavior Certified Behavior Analyst
- Occupational Therapist
- Physical Therapist
- Adaptive Physical Education Teacher
- NSSEO Teachers to support Vision Impairments and Hearing Impairments

Let's work together

- Together, we will ensure a smooth transition for your child.
 - We will be offering parent information meetings.
 - Students will tour middle school with their elementary class
 - Opportunity in the summer to visit before school starts
- Middle school has many opportunities for extracurricular activities including clubs and sports.
 - Explore the website with your child now to start getting interested in the activities.
 - Come to an event as a spectator, a great way to visit the school

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Questions?