



Eighth Grade



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Organizational skills, study skills, and time management are stressed in the eighth grade. Independence and personal responsibility are the goals of instruction and methods. Each student is expected to organize his/her own notebook and to be responsible for recording and completing daily and long-range assignments.

- **READING** - The reading program utilizes an anthology of literature titled, Adventures In Literature; three novels and Vocabulary Workshop.
- **ENGLISH/AP ENGLISH** - The focus of the language arts program is on writing with an emphasis on Language mechanics and vocabulary development using The English Workshop & Shurley Method as the English text. The AP English classes focus on the same material, but at an accelerated pace.
- **ALGEBRA * AP ALGEBRA**- All regular eighth grade students are enrolled in pre-algebra using the Prentice-Hall math series, moving into Algebra I at semester. The AP math students use the Prentice-Hall Algebra I series throughout the year.
- **PHYSICAL SCIENCE/CHEMISTRY** - The study of the physics and chemistry using the Prentice-Hall Science Explorer-Physical Science and Chemistry series.
- **AMERICAN HISTORY** - This is a balanced study of the social, political and economic forces that have shaped modern America, and is studied using Prentice Hall's American History text book.
- **SPANISH** - Spanish instruction is a core class and meets daily. Students complete a designated portion of a first year Spanish text. Increased conversational, grammar, and writing skills are emphasized.
- **SPECIAL CLASSES:**
Christian Education Physical Education Chapel Music Technology
- **AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS** - The After School Sports program encourages all students to participate in order to learn teamwork. Girls' sports include volleyball, basketball, soccer, track, tennis & golf. Boys' sports include football, basketball, soccer, track, tennis & golf.
- **NATIONAL JUNIOR HONOR SOCIETY** — The National Jr. Honor Society is comprised of the top academic seventh & eight grade students. These students participate in various group and individual service projects.
- **STUDENT SERVICE COUNCIL** - The Student Service Council is an organization composed of students from the Middle School. Its primary purpose is to provide community outreach.
- **OUTDOOR EDUCATION** - Eighth grade participates in an Environmental Leadership Program at Mo-Ranch in the Texas Hill Country. The program leads the students to test their individual skill, work together as a team and enhance their appreciation of nature now and in the future.

Mission Statement: Trinity Episcopal School strives to maintain the highest academic standards within a Christian environment. Each child's potential is maximized through the development of the individual spiritually, intellectually, physically, emotionally and socially.