MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission at Granite Oaks Middle School, a leader in collaborative and dynamic learning, is to inspire all students to develop their unique abilities with a well-balanced, quality educational experience through high academic standards and diverse extra curricular opportunities strengthened by engagement with our families and community.

The 7th grade curriculum at Granite Oaks is based on the California Common Core State Standards (CCCSS). The CCCSS focus is on critical thinking and problem solving and supports reading, writing, speaking and listening skills infused throughout the curriculum.

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EXAMPLES OF CURRENT & PAST EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS

Book Club
Broadcasting Club
Creative Writing Club
Drama Club
Girls Who Code Club
Math Contest Squad Club
Art Club
Christian Club
GSA Club
Cyber Security Club
Chess Club
Yoga Club
Archery Club
Choir and Singing Club
Green Scene Garden & Cultivation Club
Minecraft Club
Scrabble Club
Yearbook Club
Esports Club Gaming Club
Academic Society
Culture Club

ACTIVITIES FOR QUALIFYING STUDENTS

California Junior Scholarship Federation (CJSF)
Student Senate (ASB)
Spelling Bee
Marine Biology Trip
Athletics
Dance Team
Math and Science Olympiad
Academic Pep Rally

7th Grade

Parent and Student Guide

To Understanding the Seventh Grade Academic Program

Granite Oaks Middle School

A California Distinguished School
A National Blue Ribbon School
PBIS Silver State Certified School

Rocklin Unified School District

Jay Holmes, Principal
Ron Anaya, Assistant Principal
Linda Marcarian, Counselor
Tressa Lindsey-Anderson, Counselor

INTRODUCTION

Granite Oaks is a highly academic school. At Granite Oaks, each student is assigned to an academy; academies are teams of up to four teachers with 70 to 140 students. All academies have rigorous expectations in the core curricular areas of language arts, mathematics, social science and science. All students are expected to meet or exceed the same high learning standards. Each academy will teach the same course content which incorporates the state-mandated standards and district benchmarks in each subject area.

MATHEMATICS

- Algebra
- Fractions
- Graphing
- Proportions, Ratios, Percents
- Number Systems
- Pattern
- Problem Solving
- Statistics
- Number Theory
- Measurement/ Geometry

TOOLS FOR MATHEMATICS AND SCIENCE

- Scientific Calculator
- Graph paper
- Metric Ruler

ACCELERATED MATHEMATICS
(By Placement)

Accelerated Math 7 is a pathway to taking the high school level Integrated 1 course in the 8th grade. The grade and credits for Accelerated Math 7 will not be included on the student's high school transcript.

LANGUAGE ARTS

- **Writing**
  - Argument
  - Informative/Expository
  - Narrative/Myth
  - Literary Analysis
- **Reading**
  - Literature
  - Informational Text
- **Language**
  - Conventions
  - Vocabulary
- **Speaking and Listening**
  - Presentations (including multimedia)
  - Collaborative Discussions
  - Performances

SKILLS

- Close Reading
- Note Taking/Annotating
- Time Management
- Test Taking Strategies
- Cooperative Learning
- Organization

SOCIAL STUDIES

World History (476 – 1789)

- Fall of Roman Byzantine Empire
- Medieval Europe
- Islamic Civilization
- India in the Middle Ages
- Imperial China
- Civilizations of Korea and Japan
- The Americas
- African Civilizations
- World Religions
- Renaissance/Scientific Revolution/Enlightenment
- Age of Exploration

SKILLS

- Informational Text/Primary Source
- Research
- Technology Applications
- Oral Presentations
- Engaging in Arguments using Evidence
- Reading Comprehension and Writing Skills

SCIENCE

COURSE CONTENT

- From Molecules to Organisms: Structures and Processes
- Ecosystems: Interactions, Energy and Dynamics
- Heredity: Inheritance and Variation of Traits
- Biological Evolution: Unity and Diversity

SKILLS

- Asking Questions and Defining Problems
- Developing and Using Models
- Planning and Carrying Out Investigations
- Analyzing and Interpreting Data
- Using Mathematics and Computational Thinking
- Constructing Explanations
- Engaging in Argument and Evidence
- Obtaining, Evaluating, and Communicating Information