

* Transitioning to Timberlane Middle School

Special Education Programs
Grade 6

* TODAY'S AGENDA:

- * Program Overview
- * Teaching Teams
- * Sample 6th grade Resource Student Schedule
- * Related Services
- * Advisory
- * Extra Curricular Activities
- * Upcoming Events
- * Questions

* Resource Program

- * *In-Class Support* - general education class co-taught by a general education and special education teacher. Students are expected to be able to master the NJ Core Curriculum with accommodations and modifications to instruction/assignments provided as needed.
- * *Replacement Instruction* - small group instruction following the student's goals and objectives which correspond to the NJ Grade 6 Core Curriculum. Instruction is available in language arts/reading, math, social studies and science.
- * *Replacement Instruction - Applied Academics* - designed specifically to assist students with greater academic, communication, and/or social challenges. The goals and objectives, while related to the NJ Core curriculum, emphasizes application of the basic academic skills, transition issues, and the acquisition of social skills. Instruction is highly individualized based on the needs of the student.

* Special Class Program

- * *Self-contained- Replacement instruction - Practical Academic Learning(PAL)* - an extension of the Applied Academics philosophy for students with the greatest learning/social needs. The focus is completely individualized and on the practical application of academics. Development of life skills is emphasized.

*The Team Concept

- * Each team consists of four homerooms
- * Each homeroom is staffed by a teacher from a different discipline - LA, Math, Sci, SS
- * First, second, fifth and sixth periods are core academic periods
- * Students receiving resource replacement instruction for an academic area will meet with a special education teacher in an alternate location during that period.
- * Resource in-class support takes place within the general education class with a special education teacher.

* SAMPLE RESOURCE PROGRAM SCHEDULE FOR 6TH GRADE

Period	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
1	Language Arts – Gen., ICS, Repl.				
2	Science – Gen., Para, ICS, Repl.				
3	Physical Education				
LUNCH	Lunch (28 minutes)				
4(A/B Day)	Computers	Art or Music	Computers	Art or Music	Computers
5	Math – Gen., ICS, Repl.				
6	Social Studies – Gen., Para, ICS, Repl.				
7	Learning Skills (Resource Pull-out Support)				

***Students taking Learning Skills will have the opportunity to select one art or one music class.**

Art
Exploratory Art

Music
Exploratory Music
Chorus
Orchestra
Band

* Related Services

- * Speech and Language (collaborative in Applied Academics and PAL LA classes)
- * Occupational Therapy/Physical Therapy
- * Social Skills (meets 1x week)
 - * Scheduled around core subjects

* Supplementary Services

- * Shared paraprofessional - in general education class to help provide accommodations to instruction/assignments as needed.
- * Adaptive Physical Education

*ADVISORY

- * Advisory meets *every other week (Wednesday)* after per. 7 (2:12pm – 2:45pm) *There is a revised schedule for advisory days.
- * The purpose of the advisory program is to provide a caring environment for student support and advocacy through the establishment of groups of one adult and a small number of students
- * These groups meet regularly to:
 - * Promote positive adult-student relationships
 - * Build self-esteem, confidence and competence
 - * Provide social exchange and peer recognition in a safe environment
 - * Help every student find ways to be successful academically and socially
 - * Students will be assigned to groups of no more than 12 students . Activities are built around the Six Pillars of Character: Respect, Trustworthiness, Caring, Fairness, Citizenship, and Responsibility.

SPORTS - FALL/ WINTER /SPRING

- * Track (coed) 6, 7, 8 (spring)
- * X-Country (coed) 6, 7, 8 (fall)
- * Wrestling 6, 7, 8 (winter)

SCHOOL CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES

After-school clubs and activities include the following:

Robotics
Environmental Club
Jazz Band
Math Counts
Model Congress

Science Olympiad
Math Olympiad
Timberlane Musical
Yearbook
Technology

* subject to change

GUIDED STUDY

for homework completion

* **Extra Curricular
Activities**

*Upcoming Transition Events

- * 5th grade tours - May
- * Parent Orientation - March 30, 2011
- * Summer Open House - TBD
- * September - 6th gr. orientation - the day before the first day of school so that students can get acquainted with the building, teachers, lockers, etc.