

## 7th Grade Core Course Descriptions

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Reading/English Language Arts	Pre-AP World History		
Unit 1: Dreaming in America   Writing Focus: Narrative Writing Unit 1 challenges students to examine the various paths to attaining the idyllic American Dream by exploring diverse realities and life perspectives in America. Anchor Text: A Raisin in the Sun by Lorraine Hansberry	Unit 1: Early Humans - Students will explore how humans transitioned from a nomadic life to one of complex civilizations. Students will understand the basic timeline of civilization's development by analyzing primary and secondary sources and climate data.  Unit 2: Ancient Egypt, Kush, and Israel—Students examine political and social structures in Egypt and how they shaped the power dynamic among the different classes of people. They will compare these political		
Unit 2: Unheard Voices   Writing Focus: Informative Explanatory Writing Unit 2 challenges students to become critical readers of texts they encounter. During the unit, students will read historical fiction and non-fiction to explore historical accounts from multiple voices and perspectives. Anchor Text: Chains by Louise Halse Anderson	and social structures to those of other North African societies of Nubia (Kush).  Unit 3: Ancient India - Students consider how civilizations in India emerged alongside complex religious beliefs that structured society and continue to influence culture today.  Unit 4: Aztec and Inca—Students will analyze the characteristics of the Aztec and Inca civilizations using the SPICE framework to begin practicing analyzing civilizations.  Unit 5: China & Japan—Students explore how the technological advances of the Chinese Tang and Song		
Unit 3: The Road (Not) Taken   Writing Focus: Informative Explanatory & Argument Writing Students will explore the ideas of individuality and conformity in a way that does not pit the two concepts against each other but weighs the pros and cons. Students will read fiction and non-fiction that evaluate individuality and conformity as a right, a burden, and a responsibility.  Anchor Text: To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee  Unit 4: Community and Connections   Writing Focus: Argument Writing This unit will challenge students to explore the concept of community and how the life experiences of individuals connect to form a community. Through a thorough study of fiction and non-fiction texts, students will understand that community is comprised of physical and nonphysical elements. Anchor Text: 145th Street by Walter Dean Myers	Dynasties spread throughout Afroeurasia, giving the empire more power, and how changing political structures in Japan impacted Japan's internal power.  Unit 6: Islamic Empires - Students study how the religious tenets of Islam impacted Islamic rule in the Arab world for centuries and how a government based on religion maintained power over a large, diverse region for so long.  Unit 7: West African Empires—Students trace how political, social, and cultural power shifted in Europe from the Middle Ages through the Renaissance and Reformation.  Unit 8: Ancient Greece - Students will identify how geography led to the emergence of city-states and then as part of the Greek Government  Unit 9: Ancient Rome—Students will explore the rise and fall of the Roman Republic and Empire.  Unit 10: Europe: Medieval to Modern—Students trace how political, social, and cultural power shifted in Europe from the Middle Ages through the Renaissance and Reformation.  Unit 11: Trans-Atlantic Slave Trade - Students examine the causes of the Transatlantic slave trade and the short- and long-term effects of the institution, including how it systematized racism and has a visible legacy in our society and institutions today.  Unit 12: Enlightenment & Revolution - Students analyze the intellectual revolutions in science and philosophy and apply these theories to the events of the political revolutions in Haiti, the United States, France, and		
Mathematics	South America, focusing on the words and actions of leaders of these revolutions.  Science		
SPORK Math is our spiraling curriculum that comprises the following courses: Arithmetic A, Arithmetic B, Pre-Algebra, and Algebra. SPORK Math is delivered through tablets.  Unit 1: Divisibility And Factorization; Unit 2: Operations With Integers; Unit 3: Fractions And Decimals; Unit 4: Order Of Operations; Unit 5: Equations, Part 1; Unit 6: Part Of Whole; Unit 7: Introduction To Planar Geometry; Unit 8: Powers And Roots; Unit 9: Area; Transformations In Cartesian Coordinate System; Unit 10: Ratios And Proportions; Unit 11: Geometric Solids; Unit 12: Equations, Part 2; Unit 13: Probability And Statistics; Unit 14: Advanced Geometry; Unit 15: Math In Finance	STEMscopes is our primary instructional resource for teaching science. It is built on an instructional philosophy that centers on students learning science through hands-on exploration and inquiry. Each lesson includes a series of investigations and activities to bring science to life for our students so they can "learn by doing" and fully engage in the scientific process. 6th Grade topics are Biology, Chemistry/Physics, & Earth Science		



## 7<sup>th</sup> Grade School Supply List - School Year 2025-26

Items to bring to school	Items to keep home	Class Specific Items
☐ Bookbag of your choice	☐ Packages of #2 Pencils	<u>MATH</u>
☐ ELA & Humanities Anchor Texts***	□ Packages of loose leaf paper	$\square$ 2 sided metric and standard to
□ Zipper Binder (Trapper Keeper)	☐ Old worksheets	¼ inch ruler
Communications Journal	☐ Graph paper	☐ Calculator with Square Root
☐ Notebook Paper (Wide Ruled)	☐ Packages of glue sticks	☐ Graph paper
☐ 1 pair of earbuds	☐ Packages of ball point pens	
☐ 1 inch 3-ring binder	☐ Packages of colored	PE/HEALTH
<ul><li>Blue 2 inch 3-ring binder</li><li>Blue Pocket folder for homework</li></ul>	pencils/markers	☐ Water bottle
☐ Insertable dividers with tabs	'	
☐ Large Pencil Pouch packed with:		<u>ELA</u>
Pencils		1-Subject Spiral Notebook
<ul> <li>Blue or Black ink pens only</li> </ul>		☐ Pocket Folder
<ul> <li>Small pencil sharpener that</li> </ul>	Anchor Texts	
holds shavings	☐ <b>Unit 1 -</b> A Raisin in the Sun by	<u>HUMANITIES</u>
<ul><li>2 highlighters</li></ul>	Lorraine Hansberry	1-Subject Spiral Notebook
<ul><li>erasers</li></ul>	☐ <b>Unit 2 -</b> Chains by Louise Halse	☐ Pocket Folder
<ul> <li>colored pencils/markers</li> </ul>	Anderson	
• Index cards	☐ <b>Unit 3 -</b> To Kill a Mockingbird by	<u>SCIENCE</u>
☐ Pocket Hand Sanitizer	Harper Lee  Unit 4 - 145th Street by Walter	☐ 1-Subject Spiral Notebook
<ul><li>☐ Face Masks</li><li>☐ Travel size personal hygiene items</li></ul>	Dean Myers	
(eg, feminine items & deodorant)	Dean Myers	ELECTIVE CLASS(ES)
(eg, ferrilline nerris & decidorarii)	***Class sets of the Anchor Texts are	1-Subject Spiral Notebook
	provided however students are encouraged	
	to purchase their own copy.***	