

Brito Miami Private School Curriculum Overview - Middle School

Middle School Curriculum

Our middle school program consists of grades 6th – 8th. Instructions for this level is geared towards preparing the students for the high school levels. Academically, students follow a weekly schedule which ensures that they are exposed to all objectives from Middle School while providing the benefit of small classroom sizes that engage the students with the most up-to date curriculums and programs.

Topics include Mathematics (General, Integrated, and Pre-Algebra), Language Arts, World Languages (Spanish), and Physical Education, Social Studies (Civics, Geography, and American History), Integrated Sciences with STEAM components, Fine Arts, and access to a variety of digital resources. This program follows the standards set by the Florida Department of Education which ensure that all benchmarks are met. The use of computers and technology is highly encouraged through electronic/digital curriculums, online reading, interactive programs and writing labs that are accessed from a school-issued electronic device which serves as an informative tool that promotes academic growth and enables students to work on homework as well. In order to foster community involvement and leadership, students from grades six through eight are encouraged to participate in the Student Ambassador Club to mentor elementary students on Character Education. Performances and seasonal activities are integrated with purpose of enhancing school spirit thus increasing student motivation. Additional extracurricular activities are offered such as fine arts (drama, dance), journalism and junior varsity sports. Performances and seasonal activities are integrated with purpose of enhancing school spirit thus increasing student motivation. For more information on course description and standards you may visit:

Search Course | CPALMS.org.

CURRICULUM PROGRAM INFORMATION

Language Arts (6th – 8th)

myPerspectives is a brand-new English language arts curriculum for Grades 6–12 that values the perspective of the learner, collectively and individually, and provides next-gen learning experiences that promote higher achievement and develop the competencies needed for college and career readiness. Interactive learning blends print and technology in a student-centered, teacher-inspired classroom. This dynamic Savvas program creates an interactive, engaging, and relevant learning environment through readings, meaningful activities, and purposeful performance tasks. *my*Perspectives encourages social collaboration as well as student ownership of learning through goal setting, choice, and reflection. Cultivate students' voices and perspectives. Open a world of ideas using literary and informational texts to prepare students for college and careers.

■ Math (6th – 8th)

Savvas enVision Mathematics for Grades 6, 7, 8 is a problem-based learning plus visual learning. It is digital, print, and differentiated learning. All-new enVision® Mathematics for Grades 6-8 makes math relevant to students, helping them see how it works for them in their everyday lives. Kids see and experience mathematics with exclusive visual models, animations, 3-act tasks, Desmos graphing, and student-centered projects. Savvas Realize is home to your math digital content, assessments, student data, and management tools. Students can even access content offline and Savvas Realize will sync automatically to the online version.

Glencoe Math Accelerated: A Pre-Algebra Program for Grade 8 is a robust toolkit designed to support your unique teaching style, your ideas, and the needs of your students. Your imagination, creativity and expertise fuel Glencoe Math Accelerated which makes math real for students. The three components of rigor — conceptual understanding, application, and procedural fluency — are embedded in resources, lessons, and practice assessments. Digital planning tools and interactive resources are available online through the power of ConnectED, an easy-to-use assignment and assessment platform. Use them as-is or make them your own to spark student thinking. Glencoe Math meets students wherever they are in their learning. Assessments help you determine proficiency before, during, and after lessons. Differentiated instruction resources ensure approaching-level students master concepts before moving on, while beyond-level students are continually challenged.

■ Science (6th – 8th)

elevateScience™ is a phenomena-based K-8 science curriculum. It is more than a textbook! It is a K-8 phenomenon-based science curriculum immersing students in the inquiry process. This is science elevated for problem solving, critical thinking, and the NGSS performance expectations. An evidence-based approach provides the best teaching framework. In a recent study of Grades 6-8, elevateScience™ students had statistically significant science performance gains after one year of use. elevateScience™ is rich with assessment opportunities to inform teaching and improve learning. Assessments are downloadable, editable, printable and can be administered digitally through the Savvas Realize™ digital platform.

■ Social Studies (6th – 8th)

Savvas myWorld Interactive World Geography Program for Grades 6-8. Inspire students to develop global competencies for active, informed citizenship. myWorld Interactive emphasizes project-based learning to explore the world's places, systems, and cultures. The program is available as World Geography Survey, or Eastern and Western Hemisphere editions. Each includes strong ELA/literacy connections and multiple teaching options. Lessons promote critical thinking, problem solving, evidence-based reasoning, and communications skills. myWorld Interactive is the student-centered world geography curriculum that helps you implement your state's standards and the College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework for Social Studies

<u>Savvas myWorld Interactive</u> <u>American History Program for Grades 6-8</u>. Inspire students to become skilled citizens. myWorld Interactive emphasizes active inquiry, strong literacy connections, and a wide range of teaching options. The program is available as American History survey or Beginnings to 1877 edition. myWorld Interactive promotes critical thinking, problem solving, evidence-based reasoning, and communications skills. It is the student-centered American history curriculum that helps you implement your state's standards and the College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework for Social Studies.

Savvas myWorld Interactive World History Program for Grades 6-8. Inspire students to develop global competencies for active, informed citizenship. myWorld Interactive emphasizes project-based learning to explore world history, global turning points, and historical narratives. The program is available as World History survey or Early Ages edition. myWorld Interactive includes strong ELA/literacy connections and multiple teaching options. Lessons promote critical thinking, problem solving, evidence-based reasoning, and communications skills. myWorld Interactive is the student-centered world history curriculum that helps you implement your state's standards and the College, Career, and Civic Life (C3) Framework for Social Studies.

■ Physical Education / Health (6th – 8th)

Middle school students are provided with scheduled Physical Education classes a week and outdoor play to meet and or surpass the minimum of time set by the Florida requirements for physical education. Each grade's standards and benchmarks are available on the <u>CPALMS</u> website. The SAVVAS HEALTH curriculum for 6th-8th Grade provides teachers the tools necessary for helping our students develop and enhance healthy behaviors for life. Teachers use the SAVVAS HEALTH curriculum, including a digital textbook and video program with digital resources, to assist in classroom discussions and in helping students' master important health education skills. The physical education teacher plans age-appropriate lessons on the four core "Strands" for Physical Education which are:

- Movement Competency (i.e., rhythm and dance; striking an object with upper/lower body, etc.)
- Cognitive Abilities (i.e., Identify safety rules and procedures for selected physical activities.)
- Lifetime Fitness (i.e., recognize moderate/rigorous fitness activities; recognize healthful benefits that result from regular participation in physical activities.)
- Responsible Behaviors and Values (i.e., Identify ways to cooperate with others regardless of personal differences during physical activity.)

■ World Language -Spanish (6th – 8th)

<u>Auténtico Spanish</u> World Language Program for Grades 6-12. Language learning that deepens cultural understanding ¡Hola y bienvenidos! Auténtico is a complete Spanish language program for all levels, Grades 6–12. It will infuse your Spanish language instruction with the rich nuances of Hispanic cultures, history, and peoples. Authentic conversations, music, art, film, customs, texts, and media weave seamlessly throughout the Auténtico print and online curriculum. It is an immersive learning experience that creates a sense of belonging and connection for students, not just to the content, but to each other.

Supplemental Material

IXL: IXL's comprehensive curriculum is the foundation for the IXL Real-Time Diagnostic, a new kind of assessment. The Real-Time Diagnostic evaluates students' grade level proficiency in math and language arts at a deep level. With an understanding of students' knowledge, you can make informed decisions about how to meet each student's educational needs.

<u>SuccessMaker</u> by Savvas Welcome to the most powerful SuccessMaker® ever for Grades K-8 reading and math. It does it all to make EVERY student more successful. This is "true" adaptive learning for intervention, differentiation, and personalization. Every student interaction adjusts instruction in real time to real learning needs. SuccessMaker® delivers tutorials, practice, challenge, and remediation. It instantly adjusts pacing and sequencing. It continuously assesses in a natural, unobtrusive way.