



Supporting the home school family by providing quality classes grounded in a biblical worldview

Middle School . . . PREVIEW

Students who attend OliveTree Middle School classes enjoy the blessing of being in a small, caring environment while taking classes and forming good friendships.

WHAT'S NEW? This year we are offering a NEW P.E. Class for Middle Schoolers on Tuesdays. Many students come for only a Math class on Tuesdays, so this will allow your Math student the opportunity to come on Tuesdays for more than just Math class. Math students will be given priority placement in the P.E. class. Also, 6th grade Logic students need to have the Fallacy Detective book. See the Booklist for the information.

This preview is designed to help you plan your 3 middle school years.
By God's grace you can do this, we can help!

If you have any questions or need more information please contact
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Enrollment starts in April on a first come basis. The deadline to hold your spot is April 30th.



Middle School Road Map

*denotes Classes in the Block of Classes

**denotes Classes you can add to the Block of Classes for an extra fee

	6 th Grade	7 th Grade	8 th Grade
Science Lab*	Science Lab 6 This a complete Science curriculum. Read and test at home	Science Lab 7 This a complete Science curriculum. Read and test at home.	Science Lab 8 This a complete Science curriculum. Read and test at home.
Language Arts*	Logic 6 class is a component of your at home Language Arts curriculum or you may count it as an elective.	WriteShop 7 is the writing portion of your at home Language Arts curriculum. Students who excel at writing may do both but one writing program is sufficient.	Composition 8 is the writing portion of your at home Language Arts curriculum. Students who excel at writing may do both but one writing program is sufficient.
Elective*	Art 6 class is a class designed to get your left and right brain exercised. You can consider this class an Elective.	Effective Communication 7 is a beginning Speech class that can be an Elective or part of your Language Arts.	Worldview is a fascinating class that can be an Elective or a component of your at-home History curriculum.
Math** Meets Tue AND Thu	Math Fundamentals This is a complete curriculum directed by the teacher and overseen at home.	Math Fundamentals or Pre-Algebra. This is a complete curriculum directed by the teacher and overseen at home.	Pre-Algebra or Algebra 1 This is a complete curriculum directed by the teacher and overseen at home.
Options**	MS Art, Book Club, Vocal Ensemble, P.E.	MS Art, Book Club, Vocal Ensemble, P.E.	MS Art, Book Club, Vocal Ensemble, P.E.
History	All at home	All at home	All at home



Middle School Planning Worksheet

	6th	7th	8th
Math			
Science			
Language Arts			
History			
Elective			
Elective			

OliveTree Schedules 2025-2026

See BookList for Class Descriptions

HIGH SCHOOL TUES.		Tuesday Individual Classes									
		8:30-9:40	9:40-10:50	10:50-12:00	12:00-12:30	12:30-1:40	1:40-2:50				
		Physics	Algebra 1	Pre-Calculus	Lunch w/ Friends	Algebra 2	Speech				
		Classic Lit	Geometry	Chemistry		Biology	HS Art				
		HS Art	American Lit	Fundamentals of Lit		Spanish 2	Spanish 1				
		Study Hall	British Lit	Study Hall		Study Hall	Study Hall				
			Study Hall								
THURS.		Thursday Individual Classes									
		8:30-9:40	9:40-10:50	10:50-12:00	12:00-12:30	12:30-1:40	1:40-2:50	2:50-4:00			
		Physics	Algebra 1	Pre-Calculus	Lunch w/ Friends	Algebra 2	NT Survey A or B	Study Hall			
		World History	Geometry	Chemistry		Biology	Spanish 1				
		Vocal Ensemble	Amer History	Cultural Geography		Spanish 2	Study Hall				
		Study Hall	Gov't & Econ	Personal Finance		Study Hall					
			Vocal Ensemble	Study Hall							
	Study Hall										
MIDDLE SCHOOL TUES.		Tuesday and/or Thursday Individual Classes									
		8:30-9:40	9:40-10:50	10:50-12:00	12:00-12:30						
		MS P.E.	Math Fundamental	Pre-Algebra	Lunch w/ Friends						
		Study Hall	Algebra 1	Study Hall							
			Study Hall								
THURS.		Thursday Afternoon Block of Classes									
		8:30-9:40	9:40-10:50	10:50-12:00	12:00-12:30	12:30-1:35	1:40-2:45	2:50-4:00			
		Study Hall	Math Fundamental	Pre-Algebra	Lunch w/ Friends	Art 6	Logic 6	Science 6			
		Vocal Ensemble	Algebra 1	MS Art		Science 7	WriteShop 7	Effect. Comm. 7			
			Vocal Ensemble	Book Club		Composition 8	Science 8	WorldView 8			
			Study Hall	Study Hall							
ELEMENTARY THURS.		Thursday Afternoon Block of Classes									
		12:00-12:15	12:20-1:00	1:00-1:35	1:35-1:50	1:50-2:10	2:10-2:45	2:45-3:00	3:00-3:20	3:20-3:40	3:40-3:55
K-Sprouts		Sprouts	Sprouts	P.E.	Snack	Music	Art Sprouts	Sprouts	Geography	Science	Sprouts
THURS.		12:00-12:15	12:20-1:00	1:00-1:35	1:35-2:10	2:10-2:45	2:45-3:20	3:20-3:55			
	Grade 1	Bible	P.E.	P.E.	Art	Science	Music	Geography			
	Grade 2	Bible	Geography	Music	P.E.	P.E.	Science	Art			
	Grade 3	Bible	Science	Geography	P.E.	P.E.	Art	Music			
	Grade 4	Bible	Art	Science	Geography	Music	P.E.	P.E.			
	Grade 5	Bible	Music	Art	Science	Geography	P.E.	P.E.			

[Middle School Book List 25-26](#) click here for a pdf



Book List & Class Descriptions

6th , 7th , 8th Grades

Students taking the Block of 3 Classes
may add any Optional Classes to the Block

This is the place to find all the books you need for classes at OliveTree 25-26!

Books can be purchased from local retailers: Probasco's Christian Book Store in Loveland or Salt & Light Learning used books online or other online retailers.

Please be mindful to purchase book editions as listed.

Students must have books on the first day of class.

OliveTree is registered with Amazon Smile. When you shop, Amazon donates to OliveTree.

Click here to learn more: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/35-2238524>

**OliveTree reserves the right to cancel classes if minimum enrollment is not met*

6th GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

SCIENCE

Book to purchase: *Exploring Creation with Human Anatomy & Physiology* ISBN #978-1-935495-14-7

Optional but recommended for at home: *Anatomy Notebooking Journal* ISBN #978-1-935495-15-4
apologia.com

This unique course explores the human body using engaging text, exciting activities and interesting experiments. The Anatomy Notebooking Journal is designed to accompany this text, but this is optional and something you can have your students do at home since the classroom is designed to be a dynamic atmosphere. Classroom labs and discussions will take place in class with anatomically correct models. Reading and vocabulary will be typical homework. NOTE: Parents will teach lesson 14 on "Growth and Development" except Basic Genetics will be discussed in class.

LOGIC

Book to purchase: *The Fallacy Detective Workbook Edition, Bluedorn* ISBN #9780974531571

fallacydetective.com

Logic will do more to teach the students to think clearly, reason well, and spot errors in the reasoning of others than any other activity. A good grasp of the concepts taught here will help the students in many areas of life. In this class, we will be discussing informal reasoning and logic. We will talk about good reasoning and bad reasoning. We will be exploring some different thought processes in reasoning and critical thinking skills such as analogies, word games, sudoku, fallacies, red herrings, and other logic games.

ART

Supplies to purchase: *Canson cold press 140lb 9x12 Watercolor paper 30 sheets, 1 roll paper towels, mechanical pencil, pen, ruler, apron*

An art class just for 6th graders! Students will learn to express themselves through drawing and watercolor techniques. Hands-on activities in groups allow students to enjoy their peers as they unleash their creativity.

6th GRADE OPTIONAL CLASSES

FUNDAMENTALS OF MATH - meets Tuesday AND Thursday for 2 - 15 week semesters

Book: *Supplied*

Since homeschooled students come from many different math curriculums, we highly recommend students take this FUNDAMENTALS class to ensure they have the skills to move forward and be successful in math in Pre-Algebra and High School. This class will cover methods of attack; learning to think methodically and logically, neatness, math facts, review of multiple number addition, subtraction, multiplication and division; long division, fractions, decimals, percent, and how to interpret word problems. For 6th and 7th graders.

BOOK CLUB

Book to purchase: *None*

Book Club students will build reading and analytical skills by listening to a book that is read aloud and discussing the book, working together

to help understand the text. Students will engage in vocabulary and comprehension questions as well as character development and biblical lessons. Class discussions give students a chance to ask questions and voice opinions. Along with reading a book together, each student will have a chance to read a book of their choice and present a book report for the class. Teacher supplies read-aloud books.

VOCAL ENSEMBLE MS/HS

Book to purchase: None

In Middle/High Vocal Ensemble students will learn to sing together and in parts culminating in at least 2 performances during the school year. Workload will be commensurate with 1 high school credit. Skills taught will include proper vocal technique, breathing, vocal placement, blending, solfege, interval training, musical notation, rhythm, and basic music theory.

MS P.E.

Book to purchase: None

This class is designed to help students stay active, build relationships and develop essential life skills. There will be activities that focus on cardio, strength, and flexibility as well as team games that promote teamwork, strategy and problem solving. Beyond physical fitness, this class with focus on building confidence, resilience and sportsmanship.

STUDY HALL

Monitored – check out required to leave campus

Note: The Thursday 2:50-4:00 pm Study Hall begins the 3rd week of High School (when K-8 starts)

Due to our rental agreement with Summitview Church, students must be supervised at all times while attending OliveTree classes. Students must be in a class, in a study hall, or must leave campus. Students are not allowed to roam around the building or be outside during Study Hall or at any time. Students who drive are expected to leave the parking lot in a timely manner. Students must arrive on time to study hall, attendance is taken. Students must obtain permission from the monitor to leave study hall or lunch. Students must study for 60 minutes and are allowed to visit quietly the last 10 minutes of Study Hall.

Listening to downloaded music with earbuds is allowed but may not text or surf. Place phones face down. Students should use their own data and not be on the SVCC wifi. The wifi does not have the bandwidth for students to do any online classes in study hall. Students should not be a distraction to other students during Study Hall.

7th GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

SCIENCE LAB 7

Book to purchase: *Exploring Creation with General Science 3rd edition* ISBN 978-1-946506-57-3

Book to purchase: *Solutions and Tests* ISBN 978-1-946506-28-3

Book to purchase: *Student Notebook* ISBN 978-1-946506-30-6

apologia.com

This course covers topics such as the scientific method, designing experiments, simple machines, archaeology, geology, paleontology, astronomy, chemistry, biology, and human anatomy and physiology. There are many hands-on experiments done in class. This class is the Lab portion only. Students read the chapter and test at home. Labs, notebook, and test grading occur in class.

WRITESHOP 1

Book to purchase: *WriteShop 1 Student Workbook 5th edition* ISBN 978-1-935027-49-2

writeshop.com Demme Learning #7062

WriteShop I teaches students to write descriptive, informative, and narrative compositions. Students will use their observations and experiences to write strong, well-developed paragraphs that include complex sentences of varying lengths. Working independently, students are given clear objectives and tools that will help improve brainstorming, writing, and self-editing skills.

EFFECTIVE COMMUNICATION

Book: None

With the benefit of a classroom setting, students will engage in oral and written exercises designed to improve basic and advanced communication skills. Each student will learn how to individually as well as corporately work together to prepare various speech assignments.

7th GRADE OPTIONAL CLASSES

PRE-ALGEBRA meets Tuesday AND Thursday for 2 - 15 week semesters

Books to purchase: *Math U See Pre-Algebra Workbook*

ISBN 978-1-60826-340-0

Math U See Pre-Algebra Tests

ISBN 978-1-60826-346-2

mathusee.com Demme Learning #1101

With students coming from many different math curriculums, we highly recommend students take the Pre-Algebra class at OliveTree to prepare for high school math at OliveTree. Please ensure your student is ready for Pre-Algebra by taking this placement test (copy URL below and paste in your browser). It is wise to wait until 8th grade to take this class if your student is not ready.

<http://mathusee.com/placement/assessments/pre-algebra-placement-assessment/>

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BOOK CLUB

Book to purchase: None

Book Club students will build reading and analytical skills by listening to a book that is read aloud and discussing the book, working together to help understand the text. Students will engage in vocabulary and comprehension questions as well as character development and biblical lessons. Class discussions give students a chance to ask questions and voice opinions. Along with reading a book together, each student will have a chance to read a book of their choice and present a book report for the class. Teacher supplies read-aloud books.

MS ART CLASS

Book to purchase: None

We will explore the different ways artists make creative and successful works of art. We will learn about the basics of composition and practice creativity in a variety of media. Along the way we'll learn about artists, becoming familiar with their styles and pieces.

VOCAL ENSEMBLE MS/HS

Book to purchase: None

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8th GRADE THURSDAY BLOCK OF CLASSES

SCIENCE LAB 8

Book to purchase: *Exploring Creation with Physical Science 4th Edition* ISBN 978-1-940110-14-1

Book to purchase: *Tests 4th Edition*

ISBN 978-1-940110-49-3

Book to purchase: *Student Notebook 4th Edition*

ISBN 978-1-940110-50-9

apologia.com

This course covers topics such as the atmosphere, hydrosphere, weather, structure of the earth, gravity, chemistry, physics of motion, Newton's Laws, electricity, sound waves, light, and astrophysics. This class is the Lab portion only. Students read the chapter and test at home. Labs, notebook, and test grading occur in class.

COMPOSITION 8

Book to purchase: *WriteShop 2 Student Workbook 5th edition*

ISBN 978-1-935027-51-5

writeshop.com Demme Learning #7066

WriteShop 2 teaches students to write and edit persuasive, compare/contrast, and descriptive essays. Students work on the components of an essay, including thesis statements, while also learning to work within a time limit. In each lesson, students will apply skills, such as outlining and use of parallel sentence construction as they brainstorm, outline, edit, and revise their compositions resulting in well-structured and polished writings.

WORLDVIEW

Book to purchase: *Supplied*

The first semester will be invested in an overview of Christianity. The second semester will be spent considering other religions in light of a Christian Worldview. We will be interacting with Bible passages and John Blanchard's book, *Right with God*, as well as regular dialogue about current events from a Christian worldview. *So What's the Difference*, by Ridenour, will be used second semester. No text to purchase – OliveTree supplies books.

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ALGEBRA 1 meets Tuesday AND Thursday for 2 - 17 week semesters – This is a High School class

Book to purchase: MATH U SEE Algebra 1: Principles of Secondary Mathematics

Student Worktext, Book A

ISBN 978-1-60826-213-7

Student Worktext, Book B

ISBN 978-1-60826-214-4

Tests

ISBN 978-1-60826-219-9

mathusee.com Demme Learning #8111

Pre-requisite: Pre-Algebra This class is the foundation for all higher math; therefore, it is the most important math class your student will take. This Algebra course will require students to be proficient in all topics covered in Pre-algebra and have a strong ability to work with fractions. To ensure your student is ready for Algebra 1, students should work through the readiness and bridge materials (determines placement) on the Math U See website:

https://demmelearning.com/wp-content/uploads/2022/10/A1_PSM_Readiness-Materials_10-26-22.pdf

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