

# WELCOME To FOLLY QUARTER MIDDLE SCHOOL

## Folly Quarter Middle School PTSA

PTSA members help bring an ENTIRE year of programs to our school assisting in the enrichment of lives and educational experiences of our children, staff and community. Our PTSA helps fund programs and activities like the ones listed below for FQMS students.

- Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports (PBIS)
- 8th Grade Celebration and activities
- After School Activities
- 8th Grade Volleyball Tournament
- 6th grade Outdoor Education
- Book Fair
- Cultural Arts
- Cultural Festival
- Reflections Program
- Community Outreach
- Coat and Winter Gear Drive September

- Staff Appreciation
- Student Social Events
- School Store
- Falcon Days
- Spirit Wear
- Food Drive
- Casey Cares Pajama Drive (April)
- Flu Clinic
- Gaming Tournaments/ Laser Tag Tournaments
- Paint Nite
- School Supply Drive (June)
- and many more!

## Folly Quarter Middle School PTSA

- follyquarterpta.org/
- follyquarterspiritwear.com/
- Facebook: Folly Quarter Middle School PTA
- Coupons for spirit wear can be found on our website and Facebook pages!
- Book Fair March 1st evening hours from 4 pm to 7pm, come visit the book fair!
- Save winter gear for Coat Drive in September.
- Tip of the day: Locker shelves check Amazon, Walmart and Target





## Folly Quarter Middle School PTSA



Your membership counts!

Join

Get Involved

& Make a Difference

# Folly Quarter Middle School



WORKING TOGETHER
FOR A SUCCESSFUL TRANSITION
TO MIDDLE SCHOOL





In order to teach a child well we must know a child well.



#### **One Focus: Every Student Achieving**

**HCPSS Strategic Call to Action: Learning and Leading with Equity** 

— 2022 and Beyond ——

**VISION:** Every student and staff member embraces diversity and possesses the skills, knowledge and confidence to positively influence the larger community.

MISSION: HCPSS ensures academic success and social-emotional well-being for each student in an inclusive and nurturing environment that closes opportunity gaps.



Four Overarching Commitments

VALUE

**ACHIEVE** 

CONNECT

**EMPOWER** 

## Folly Quarter Middle School

## **Mission:**

Working together as a community to ensure that ALL students actively engage in learning, meet success now, and fully prepare for a positive future.

### **Vision:**

To create an exemplary middle school by continuously improving the quality of teaching and learning.



# Preparing Students for the **Future**

21<sup>st</sup> Century Skills

Academic Behaviors

- Life and Career Skills
- Learning and Innovation Skills
- Information Media and Technology Skills

High School Readiness College and Career Readiness

# The Middle School Schedule



All students are enrolled in seven 50-minute classes four days a week. One day a week students have an alternate schedule that includes flex time.



#### Grade 6 Example Schedule

Course 1	English			
Course 2	Mathematics			
Course 3	Science			
Course 4	Social Studies			
Course 5	Physical Education/Health/Tech			
Course 6 (Fine Art Choice)	Band, Chorus, Orchestra, or Art, Music, Theater, and Family and Consumer Science (FACS) (each one quarter (or similar sequence))			
Course 7 (Elective/Intervention)	1 Quarter - Digital Citizenship, 21st Century Learning, Boost Your Brain, Art, Music, Theater, FACS, Reader's and Writer's Cafe 2 Quarters - GT Research Year-long - ESOL, Special Education/Mathematics/Reading Intervention			

# In accordance with state requirements, each year middle school students receive instruction in the following areas:

- English Language Arts
- Fine Arts
- Health
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Science
- Social Studies









English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, and Mathematics offer a Gifted and Talented (G/T) option for instruction. Mathematics has an above-grade level course in addition to the G/T options.

# Students are also required to receive instruction in the following classes during their middle school experience:

- Technology (6th)
- Financial Literacy (7th)
- Careers (8th)





















#### Fine Arts Options

Students in grade 6 will choose from the following options:

- Band
- Chorus
- Orchestra
- Art/General Music/Theater Arts combination

#### **Additional Course Options**

- Family and Consumer Science
- G/T Research
- Interventions in reading and/or mathematics
- Intro. Reader's and Writer's Workshop
- Boost Your Brain
- 21st Century Learning
- Digital Citizenship
- Additional Fine Arts Classes







		6th-Schedule					6th-Schedule (with Performi	ng Arts)	
Course 1		ELA			Course 1		ELA		
Course 2		Science			Course 2		Science		
Course 3	. E.	SS			Course 3		SS		
Course 4		Math			Course 4		Math		
Course 5	PE	HE	PE	TE	Course 5	PE	HE	PE	TE
Course 6	Gen. Music	Art	Theatre Arts	FACS	Course 6		Band, Chorus, Orchest	tra	
Course 7	Digital Cit.	R/W Workshop	21st Century	Boost the Brain	Course 7	Digital Cit.	R/W Workshop	21st Century	Boost the Brain
	6th-F	Regular Schedule	(GT Research)		6ti	n-Regular Schedu	ale (with Performing Arts and	GT Research)	
Course 1		ELA			Course 1	3	ELA		
Course 2		Science			Course 2		Science		
Course 3		SS			Course 3		SS		
Course 4		Math			Course 4		Math		
Course 5	PE	HE	PE	TE	Course 5	PE	HE	PE	TE
Course 6	Gen. Music	Art	Theatre Arts	FACS	Course 6	Band, Chorus, Orchestra			
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#### **Instructional Seminar Options**

- Falcon Watch Television Production
- Debate
- Math & Logic
- Writers Guild
- Film Production
- Photojournalism
- Book Club
- And more...



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/hcpss.org/fqmsgt/home







#### Finding the Right Balance Between

- Course Placements
- Rigor
- Personal Interests
- Student Success



## Supporting Academic Behaviors

At Folly Quarter MS, staff and students:

- Start with the goal in mind
- Do what they do best, every day
- Celebrate effort and achievement
- Engage in positive experiences each school day
- Create excitement for the future





#### 3 Ways To Support The Whole Child

LearnED by Pearson



- 1. Teach kids that intelligence isn't fixed. They can grow their brains through lifelong learning.
- 2. Talk to students about college and potential careers. Tell them you believe in them and in their success.
- 3. Keep the communication lines open set aside time to regularly talk about feelings and friendships.

# Middle school is another HUGE milestone for your child!

#### Middle Schoolers can and do:

- 1. Exaggerate-they are learning how to exercise judgement and process feelings.
- 2. Value the opinions of their friends over yours.
- 3. Be self conscious about their developing bodies.
- 4. Want their opinions validated.
- 5. Crave independence.

# Tips For Parents: Supporting Your Child's Development Of Positive Academic Behaviors

- Ensure that your child has the supplies and a place to study at home.
- Set a regular time for homework.
- Encourage your child to be responsible for chores and homework.
- Provide your child with a range of experiences to allow him/her to identify areas of strength.
- Talk to your child.

# **Important Dates**

	Date	Activity
1	2/2/23 - 2/17/23	<ul> <li>Course Recommendations for rising 6th graders available in Synergy for parents to review.</li> <li>Parents will enter student course requests in Synergy no later than 2/17/23.</li> <li>Parents will complete a Course Placement Review (CPR) as appropriate.</li> </ul>
	6/1/23	Rising 6th Grade Visit
	6/8/23- 6/13/23	Course Requests Available to View in Synergy to Students and Parents.
	8/24/23	<b>Tentative</b> –6th Grade Orientation

### **Questions for the Folly Quarter Staff?**





#### **FQMS Scheduling Information**

HCPSS connect
Schedule Change Process
Google Form for Q&A

**HCPSS** Connect Guide:

https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/hcpss-connect-online-course-requests-6th-8th.pdf

HCPSS Course Placement Reviews (CPR Guide):

https://www.hcpss.org/f/connect/hcpss-connect-online-course-placement-6th-8th.pdf

**HCPSS Video Guides:** 

https://www.hcpss.org/connect/guides/