

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL CURRICULUM MAP - Middle Grades

	Sixth Grade	Seventh Grade	Eighth Grade
Language Arts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural and word analysis • Increase vocabulary acquisition and use; morphology • Literature selections • Read, analyze, and understand different literary genres • Explore others' points of view • Read for different purposes • Comprehension strategies for literary and informational texts • More advanced literary elements • Literary response discussions • Text features • Media literacy • Independent reading • Effectively organize and present oral communication • Critical, active listening • Unconventional spelling • Goal-driven writing in a variety of formats, including narrative, literary, compare/contrast, and research-based informative essays • Crafting strong claims and selecting supporting evidence • Organizing, elaborating on, and connecting ideas within writing • Demonstration of correct conventions of English grammar, mechanics, and usage • Study skills • Inquiry-driven research using various resources • Read/listen to/view and produce popular media communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural and word analysis • Increase vocabulary acquisition and demonstrate discriminating word choice; morphology • Literature selections • Read, analyze, and understand multiple literary genres • Explore others' points of view • Read for different purposes • Comprehension strategies for literary and informational texts • Advanced literary elements • Literary response discussions • Text features • Media literacy • Independent reading • Effectively organize and present oral communication • Critical, active listening • Unconventional spelling • Goal-driven writing in a variety of formats, including fiction and literary analysis • Writing informational texts, variously structured, centered on strong, nuanced thesis statements supported by relevant evidence • Use of literary devices in writing • Increase grammatical knowledge and edit/revise purposefully • Study skills • Inquiry-driven, critical research using various credible resources • Read/listen to/view and produce popular media communication 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structural and word analysis • Increase vocabulary acquisition and demonstrate discriminating word choice; morphology • Literature Selections • Read, analyze, and understand a wide variety of literary genres • Explore others' points of view • Read for different purposes • Comprehension strategies for literary and informational texts • Advanced literary elements • Literary response discussions • Text features • Media literacy • Independent reading • Effectively organize and present oral communication • Critical, active listening • Unconventional spelling • Goal-driven writing in a variety of formats, including authoritative, investigative writing and comparative, thematic essays • Mastery of clear, cohesive essays supporting strong theses • Increase grammatical knowledge and edit/revise purposefully • Study skills • Inquiry-driven, critical research using various credible resources • Read/listen to/view and produce popular media communication

Because St. Paul's School continuously evaluates its curriculum to maintain high standards, this map is updated annually.