



# MIDDLE SCHOOL INFORMATION

## 6<sup>th</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Scholars

### ACADEMICS & BEHAVIOR

- Scholars rotate through their classes each day. This includes a daily Lyceum which scholars are encouraged to utilize as a study hall to minimize the amount of homework taken home.
- We hold scholars to high academic standards with high supports knowing that middle school is full of opportunity for responsibility & growth.

### BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL OPPORTUNITIES

- Each content area has a designated morning for tutoring. All scholars are encouraged to attend for extra assistance.
- After-school clubs are available each semester & will be advertised in the family email newsletter near the start of each semester.

### HOUSE TIME & QUARTERLY HOUSE RITUAL DAYS

- Early release Fridays end with House Time where scholars gather with their House community for connection & competition.
- All scholars should wear their House t-shirt on Fridays.
- One Friday each quarter will be a school-wide celebration and/or competition. These Fridays are called "Ritual House Days" & scholars can wear house colored accessories & spirit wear.

### HOMECOMING WEEK

- September 28 - October 2, 2026
- Each day will have a dress-up theme for scholars to participate in.
- Week ends with a pep-rally on Friday.

### PARENT/TEACHER CONFERENCES

- Conferences will be available on October 9, 12, & 13, 2026.
- Each conference will be 10 minutes long & provide an opportunity to meet with your scholar's entire teaching team.
- Conference sign-ups will be shared sometime in September.

### BARD POETRY COMPETITION

- Studying poetry anchors the soul with true beauty. To celebrate poetry, all upper school scholars participate in the BARD Poetry Competition.
- Competition begins in each Literature class before going to grade-level, school-wide, and district levels.
- BARD Poetry Information Packets are distributed in November.

### GRADE-LEVEL FIELD TRIP & CURRICULUM PARTY

- There's one field trip & one curriculum party each school year.
- Field Trips are off-campus during the school day; 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade occurs in the fall & 8<sup>th</sup> grade occurs in the spring.
- Curriculum Parties occur on campus during the evening & are a celebration of current studies; 8<sup>th</sup> grade occurs in the fall & 6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> grade occurs in the spring.

### GREAT HEARTS WEEK & GREAT HEARTS SERVE

- February 8 - 12, 2026
- Great Hearts Week celebrates community & serving others.
- Each day will have a dress-up theme for scholars to participate in.
- Week ends with a day full of service to the lower school, our nearby neighbors, & those in need in the FW community.

**2026 - 2027 Academic School Year**