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OVERVIEW

Long-Term Middle School Vision & Goals
- Build a 6th-9th Middle School Campus
  Target: 2017-18 School Year

Summer 2016 (18-month process):
- Receive state expansion approval
- MS enrollment continue to be strong this summer
- Purchase land close to our current campus
- Student buses, transport options between campuses
- Full size gym, locker rooms, sports facilities, drama facilities

Middle School Schedule
- 7 x 52-60 minutes periods Monday-Thursday
- All core classes daily Monday-Thursday
- 60-minute Elective/WL classes alternate
  Mon/Wed & Tues/Thurs
- A/B Friday schedule
- No mid-year/semester schedule changes
- Combined MS lunch period
- More elective course offerings
- Increased WL instruction in MS (compared elementary)

Experience Education & Adventure
3-year Adventure Plan
2014-15 California Science Adventure trip
2015-16 NYC & Washington DC Trip
2016-17 World Language trips (Spanish, Chinese and Arabic)
Student Government in Middle School
- After school program
- MS students will run for office
- Anyone can join and help out
- Plan more after school activities for MS students
- Ms. Julie Walker is the faculty sponsor

2015-16 MS Field Trips & Activities
- Leonardo Math Exhibit
- Service Nursing Home Visit
- State Capitol
- University of Utah
- BYU Ballet ‘Alice in Wonderland’
- BYU campus visit
- BYU Engineering / Tech Fair
- BYU Junior High Day of Dance
- BYU Espanolandia
- Utah STEM Fest
- ‘Peter & the Starcatcher’ at Hale Center Theatre
- Momentum Indoor Climbing Gym
- Lagoon Physics Day
- La Caille 9th grade dinner
School Counselor Services

- Student social and emotional support and counseling
- Academic planning and counseling
- 504 student planning
- Social skills for grades (K-5)
- Small group counseling
- HOPE Squad & National Junior Honor Society

Friday School Academic Support

- Academic remediation program
- Required attendance on a Friday afternoon for students achieving D & F grades
- Student receive academic support from specific grade level teachers

National Junior Honor Society

NJHS society that recognizes students for:
- Scholarship (3.5 GPA)
- Leadership
- Service
- Character
- Citizenship
- Helps them to develop further through active involvement
- Recognized by high schools and colleges nationwide as one of the highest honors

HOPE Squad

- Peer support team whose goal is suicide prevention
- Squad members are nominated by peers
- Focus on developing listening skills and compassion
- Members are trained in:
  - Warning sign
  - Communication skills
  - Boundaries
7th Grade
- Math (Reg. or Hons)
- 7th Math Hons (accelerated 7th & 8th in one year)
- Language Arts (Reg. or Hons)
- Science (Reg. or Hons)
- Utah Studies
- Debate
- CTE
- PE
- Health
- World Language

8th Grade
- Math (Reg., Hons, i.e. Secondary Math I)
- Language Arts (Reg. or Hons)
- Science
- US History
- PE
- World Language
- Digital Literacy
- 8th grade elective options: Video Productions, Creative Coding, PE elective, Journalism

9th Grade
- Math (Secondary Math I or Secondary Math II)
- Language Arts (Reg. or Hons)
- Science
- World Civilizations
- Geography
- PE
- Life Skills
- World Language
- Computer Technology
- Yearbook

Career & Technical Education (CTE)
7th Grade - College and Career Awareness
Explore numerous career fields and develop a variety of skills through activity-centered lessons for work and life.

8th Grade - Digital Literacy
Students use technology and develop skills to encourage creativity, critical thinking, productivity and collaboration in the classroom and day-to-day life.

9th Grade - Computer Technology
Learn application software, fundamentals, and ethics for technology as a tool in the classroom and in life.
World Language in Middle School
High School Credit
1. 2-ways to earn HS credit
   a. STAMP Test (Pass/Fail)
   b. Credit for 1B & 2 B (Now called 1st year / 2nd year)
2. Progress Measurements
   a. Stamp sheets
   b. Internal Proficiency Assessments
   c. External Proficiency Assessments at key year marks

Elective Course Options
- Dance
- Ballroom
- Musical Theater I & II Choir
- Art Foundations I & II
- Painting
- Peer Leadership
- Chemistry
- Language Arts Support
- Math Support
- Musical Theaters I & II
- Choir
- Beginner Spanish 1A
- Mathletics

Course Selection Process
- Course selection opens online next week - See Ms. McCappin email or contact Mrs. Naumann for course selection link.
- Online course selection request due Monday 23rd May
- Contact Mrs. Naumann (School Counselor) at nnaumann@renacademy.org with any questions regarding MS course selection
Administration
Mr. Mark Ursic, Executive Director
Ms. Stephanie McCappin, Dean of Students and Families
Ms. Julie Walker, Director of World Language & Curriculum

MS Teachers
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Mr. Larry Vidinha, MS Science
Mr. Michael Luthy, MS History
Mr. Travis Story, MS Math
Mr. Michael Luthy, MS History
Mr. Ethan Swanson, MS Math & Mathletics
Mrs. Marsha Trottier, Art Foundations & Painting
Ms. Dorian Kinder, Musical Theater & Choir
Mrs. Porshe Hansen, Journalism
Mrs. Josephine Bills, MS P.E. & Health
Mrs. Stefani Knaupp, CTE, Video Production & Yearbook
Mrs. Megan Calderoni, Spanish
Mr. Jeff Beck, Spanish
Ms. Vivian Liu, Chinese
Ms. Jordan Wilson, Arabic
Mrs. Nettie Naumann, Peer Leadership

Support Staff
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