

Mt. Everett Middle School

SBRSD believes that a true middle school model is necessary to meet the unique needs of middle-level learners. A true middle school allows teachers to leverage their time and talents to assist our students in maximizing their potential and provides a learning model that responds to their unique social-emotional and cognitive needs.

Current Middle School Experience	Reimagined/Redesigned Middle School Experience
A mini-high school-like experience with a limited ability for middle school teachers to make a connection between subject areas	Thematic units of study that connect across all subjects
A shared schedule with the high school	A stand-alone schedule that is geared towards the needs of middle-level learners
Faculty who are shared with the high school	Faculty dedicated to just middle school students and their needs
Without a formal curriculum to teach middle school students to leverage their ability to maximize their potential	Middle school specific success skills classes that teach organization, study habits, and how to leverage tools to succeed
	A discipline system that better aligns to the developmental needs of middle school students (restorative justice)

Each grade will have its own theme through which students, using project-based learning, will begin to view the world.

Key component of the program is a stand alone student success skills class.

Grade 6 Theme	Grade 7 Theme	Grade 8 Theme
 Know Yourself-The students will begin to learn personal responsibility, including gaining an understanding of how they learn Project Based Learning through Interdisciplinary Units Student Success Skills Class Use of Self-Reflective Learning Instruments Web 2.0 Technology Skills Implementation 	 Know Your School – The students will begin to learn to use the school as a tool to further their learning. Learning to use the school as a tool for their success Post-Secondary Planning Begins Study Skills will be taught in our Success Skills Class Academic Risk-Taking 	Know Your Community – The students will begin to learn community-based responsibility through service learning projects. Community Service Learning Stress Management Skills Financial Literacy Student led teacher conferences



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Faculty Experience	Student Experience
Common Planning Time So that thematic units of study can be developed Students who are falling through the cracks can be addressed.	SEL Program Advisory Curriculum Standalone Supports
Grade Level Specific Teams of Faculty	Flexible Scheduling of Classes
Team Leaders	Structured Support
Consistent Discipline and Support across the MS	Advisory & Real World Experiences
Middle School Model	Grade Level Specific Success Skills Class
Single Middle School Administrator	Project Based Learning/Field Trips Real World Experiences

The core of our work in the reimagined Mt. Everett Middle School will be centered around our student success skills class. This class will include time and resources to give our students the skills they need to leverage their talents. Topics will include:

Leadership/Citizenship Skills	Study Skills/Note Taking	Financial Literacy
Current Events	Organization	Digital Citizenship Skills
Coping Skills/Stress Relief	Team Building	Integrity