

# GRADES 6-7-8 MIDDLE SCHOOL



Grace Lutheran School's middle school provides for each student's cognitive, spiritual and physical needs. Basic school success skills, such as taking notes, researching, organized work, and keeping a daily planner are taught and honed before high school. Middle School is in session from 8:30 am - 3:20 pm.

**Religion** ▪ In-depth study of the Old and New Testaments ▪ Memorization work using Scripture and Luther's Small Catechism.

**Language Arts** ▪ Study English grammar, writing, listening & speaking, literature, and spelling & vocabulary. ▪ Students spend double the time on language arts than their peers in area schools.

## **Mathematics**

- Grade 6 – Middle-school specific math curriculum with a comprehensive algebra base; continued reinforcement of all math skills.
- Grade 7 - Algebraic concepts in the areas of whole numbers, decimals, fractions, measurement, geometry, number theory, variables & properties, percents, statistics & problem solving, and ratios & proportions.
- Grade 8 - Pre-Algebra & Geometry
- Algebra 1 is available as an online course

**History** ▪ World History is a two-year curriculum, studying ancient history to present. ▪ American History ▪ Geography is integrated in all history studies

## **Science**

- Grade 6 – Physical Science; study general science skills, properties of matter in space and time, astronomy, and chemistry.
- Grade 7 – Life Science; study general science skills, viruses and cells, monerans, protists and fungi, plants, and animals.
- Grade 8 – Earth Science; study general science skills, geology, water, meteorology, and astronomy.

**Health** ▪ Study human body systems. ▪ Explore relationship skills as they relate to social and emotional health. ▪ Learn respect for our bodies through age-appropriate sex education.

**Physical Education** ▪ Emphasize the healthful benefits of exercise, physical fitness self-assessment, and plans for a lifetime of fitness participation, the refinement of sports skills, and application of sports knowledge and attitudes.

**Art** ▪ Use a variety of media to develop art skills and art appreciation.

**Music** ▪ Provide an opportunity for students to develop an appreciation for music by participating in performance groups such as band, choir, and/or participate in general music.