



Dear Middle School Parents and Family,

Arlington Public Schools (APS) is committed to providing our students with a variety of opportunities to enrich their learning experiences. With this in mind, we have expanded our ongoing partnership with Virtual Virginia to include summer school course offerings for middle school students grades 6-8. While students can receive high school credit for certain courses, there are limits to this option. Successful completion of the following courses will be accepted as part of a student's high school transcript. It is important to note that students have until the end of their junior year summer to have any high school credit-bearing courses removed from their transcript.

Acceptable Courses:

- Rising 9th grade students who have passed Algebra I can enroll in Geometry
- Rising 9th grade students are permitted to enroll in Economics and Personal Finance. This course will also be offered through the Virtual@APS program.
- Rising 9th grade students are permitted to enroll in Earth Science
- All students are permitted to enroll in the World Language courses. It is important to note that World Language courses beyond level II will only be offered virtually during middle school.
- Rising 9th grade students can enroll in Health and PE 9

It is our expectation that course work taken outside of APS be approved by the Department of Teaching and Learning prior to enrollment. While we encourage families to pursue enriching or strengthening educational opportunities across a wide array of academic offerings, know that without prior approval these courses will not result in credit earned toward graduation.

Sincerely,

Tyrone Byrd
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