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Seminole County Public Schools
Lawton Chiles Middle School
Profile

Academics

- ❖ School grade of “A” for 13 consecutive years
- ❖ Highest Reading, Math, and Writing proficiency rate in the District (2013-2014).
- ❖ 93% of students passed the Algebra EOC; second highest in the District.
- ❖ 88% of students passed the Civics EOC; the highest in the District.

School and Community

- ❖ Located in the suburban community of Oviedo, which is 18 miles from Orlando, Florida; Lawton Chiles Middle School is a comprehensive Middle School with a 2014-2015 enrollment of over 1,260 students.
- ❖ It serves the communities of Oviedo, Geneva, and Chuluota and is in Seminole County.
- ❖ 3,541 hours of community service were performed at LCMS by LCMS parents/community members the 2014-2015 School year.
- ❖ Over 900 hours of community service were performed by LCMS students over the 2014-2015 school year.

Climate

- ❖ Lawton Chiles Middle School uses a progressive seven period modified block schedule which allows classroom innovations as collaborative teaching, alternative and authentic assessment methods and cooperative learning to take place.
- ❖ Lawton Chiles Middle School is a Positive Behavior Support School.

Technology

- ❖ Lawton Chiles requires 6th grade students to attend Introduction to Computers while 7th and 8th grade students are required to attend iJourney and iConnect respectively.
- ❖ More than 510 student computer units on campus, with assistance from two designated staff members; including a Computer Technician and Technology facilitator.
- ❖ Technology focused pilot classroom: This class will infuse a wealth of new technology into a classroom with the aim of being paperless.

Guidance

- ❖ Provides valuable academic information and guidance
- ❖ Counseling for high school readiness and student based personal or academic problems
- ❖ The guidance department may be contacted by telephone at 407-871-7050.

Faculty

- ❖ Lawton Chiles Middle School has 79 certified teachers and administrators. 40% of whom hold advanced degrees (Master’s, Specialist, or Doctoral).
- ❖ LCMS full-time teachers and administrators have an average of 13 years of experience.
- ❖ The average class size in the core subject areas is 22.

Administrative Staff

- ❖ The Administration office is open from 8am – 4:00 p.m., and stands ready to assist students, parent, faculty, staff, and community representatives in any way possible.
- ❖ To reach the administrative offices call 407-871-7050.

Student Sports and Activities

- ❖ Sports programs: Varsity and Junior Varsity Basketball, Volleyball, Cross Country, and Track & Field.
- ❖ Clubs/activities: Pantherettes Dance Team, Color Guard, JROTC, BETA Club, FCA, Future Educators of America, Odyssey of the Mind, Student Council, Writing Club, Math Club, Student Relay for Life, Cheerleading, SECME, Upstanders, and Robotics.

Exceptional Student Services

- ❖ Lawton Chiles Middle School provides a range of services to support the education of students who are emotionally/behaviorally disabled and/or learning disabled.
- ❖ Programs are also provided for the gifted/talented, autistic, and intellectually disabled student.

Lawton Chiles Middle School, a collaborative environment embracing diversity and supporting the local community, focuses on developing students to be productive lifelong learners able to compete on a global scale through self-directed learning, critical thinking, creative expression, and inquiry based study.



Special Programs across the Curriculum

ELECTIVES: Art I & II, Band – Beginning, Concert, Symphonic, & Jazz, Chorus – Beginning & Advanced, Drama, Introduction to Computers, iJourney and iConnect, Life Skills, JROTC, Yearbook/Journalism, Creative Writing, Peer Counseling/Student Assistant, Reading Enrichment, Body Management/Dance/Aerobics, Piano/Keyboard, and Physical Fitness.

RESEARCH ELECTIVES: Marine Biology, and PAWS 52 (Video Production).

FOREIGN LANGUAGE: Beginning Spanish & Spanish I

INTENSIVE SUPPORT: Intensive Reading, Intensive Math, & Academic Intervention Program

CORE CURRICULUM: Courses in the areas of Mathematics, Social Studies, Science, and Language Arts are offered in all levels including standard, gifted, support facilitated, and Honors.

HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT CLASSES: Spanish I, Algebra I, Algebra I Honors, Geometry I Honors, Pre-AP history, Biology Honors through ePathways (via Seminole County Virtual Schools).

Honors

Academically accelerated 6-8 students may enroll in honors classes. The following courses are offered in the Advanced Placement program at Lawton Chiles Middle School. Gifted opportunities are available in all core subjects in each grade level for students who qualify.

Grade 6

Mathematics, Advanced
Pre-Algebra - GEM
Language Arts, Advanced

Grade 7

Mathematics, Advanced
Algebra 1, Standard *
Algebra 1, Honors *
Language Arts, Advanced

Grade 8

Algebra 1, Standard *
Algebra 1, Honors *
Geometry, Honors *
Language Arts, Advanced
US History, Advanced
Science, Advanced
Spanish 1 *
Biology Honors, via SCVS
ePathways *
Pre AP US History

* The student will earn high school credit with successful completion of this course.

Special Recognition

At Lawton Chiles Middle School, our staff and students receive many awards and recognitions for achievement. Here are just a few from last year:

- ❖ Girls Varsity Volleyball: County Champs
- ❖ Girls Varsity Basketball: Undeclared County Champs
- ❖ Girls JV Basketball: Eastern division champs, County Runner-up
- ❖ JV Boys Basketball: County Champs
- ❖ All County Band
- ❖ All State Band
- ❖ Numerous student scholarships awarded
- ❖ Paws 52: The Judges Award, Graphics and Animation Awards, and the Documentary Award
- ❖ SCPS Keys to Character Teacher Award
- ❖ Women's club Grant of \$1500
- ❖ JROTC: Overall 2nd in County, Academics 2nd, Squad Drills 2nd, Exhibition 2nd, Team Push-Ups 1st, 10*100 2nd, and multiple individual County Champions.
- ❖ Civics: Highest EOC scores in the County.
- ❖ National History Day two state level representatives
- ❖ ART: Maitland Festival of the Arts (3 Art), Lake Mary-Heathrow Festival of the Arts (2 Special Recognition Awards), Oviedo's great Day in the Country (1 Special Recognition Award), SCAEA Spring Art Show, four recognition awards
- ❖ Yearbook- Look-book Award, and Jostens recognition
- ❖ PBS Violence Prevention week 1st Place Poster winner.
- ❖ Red Ribbon week, 1st place video contest
- ❖ Science Fair – multiple regional winners, and state representatives
- ❖ Golden School (applied, waiting, and expected)
- ❖ Five Star School (applied, waiting, and expected)
- ❖ PBS Golden School (applied, waiting, and expected)
- ❖ A+ School – 13 years in a row