



PERIMETER SCHOOL
A Covenant Christian Community

Rising Eighth Grade Information

In that this is your child's final year at Perimeter School, it will be one marked with tremendous growth academically, physically, socially, and most importantly spiritually. Your eighth grader is beginning to have more accountability and autonomy while learning and understanding the long-term consequences of his/her choices. Eighth graders have a greater capacity to set goals for themselves and complete them. As you continue to "*prepare your child for the road, not the road for your child,*" you can coach your child to be self-aware, persevere in his/her assignments, communicate appropriately, use support systems, and live out his/her biblical values and faith in Jesus. As your child continues developing in his/her social and emotional intelligence this year, we will partner with you, reminding him/her of God's truths that will anchor him/her as his/her faith grows.

I. Enrichment Days and Class Trips

- A. Hike
- B. Right to Life Day
- C. High Museum
- D. Washington D.C. (chaperone signup in August)

II. Subjects

- A. Bible - *ESV Student Study Bible*
 - 1. Journal Time
 - 2. Perimeter School Memory Verses
 - 3. Catechisms
 - 4. Heroes of Faith
 - 5. Apologetics
- B. Math - Our math instruction enables students to develop a solid foundation in the language and basic concepts of algebra emphasizing conceptual understanding while reinforcing procedural practice.
 - 1. Online Practice
 - 2. Daily Homework
 - 3. Tests Every 3 Weeks
 - 4. Math Help Offered Weekly
- C. History
 - 1. Georgia History

2. Civics and Government

D. Language Arts

1. *Shurley English* will be used for grammar, syntax, vocabulary, etymology, and analogies.
2. Study of literature will include general comprehension, analysis, and application with understanding of literary elements.
 - a. *To Kill a Mockingbird*
 - b. *Bronze Bow*
 - c. *Hamlet*
 - d. Poetry
 - e. *Hound of the Baskervilles*
 - f. Short Story Unit and Possible Addition of Literature (to support academic content)
3. Writing instruction will include structure and style as well as practicing expository, persuasive, personal narrative, and independent short story writing.

E. Science

1. Biblical Worldview - Faith & Science
2. Topics: Physical Science
 - Philosophy and Method of Science
 - Matter
 - Measurement Elements
 - The Atom and Periodic Table
 - Bonding
 - Compounds
 - Reactions, Kinematics, Dynamics
 - Energy
 - Electromagnetism
 - Simple Machines
 - Thermodynamics

F. Specials and Electives

1. Computer Science
2. Robotics
3. Art
4. Music
5. Drama
6. Spanish (all year)
7. P.E. (2 times per week)
8. Recess (daily)

III. Summer Reading

A. Memoir:

1. Boys: *Everything Sad is Untrue*
2. Girls: *You Bring the Distant Near*

B. Book of Ruth

C. *More Than a Carpenter*

IV. Nature Study Books and Paints

A. Will be procured for new Perimeter School students.

B. Returning students will use nature study books/paints from seventh grade.

This coming year will be one of great growth and change as they prepare for high school and become more independent. We look forward to partnering with you to help your child develop a sense of wonder and love for learning as he/she develops and grows in his/her love for Christ and others.