FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES IN MIDDLE SCHOOL

MIDDLE SCHOOL FCS BY THE NUMBERS

- Number of 6th Grade Students: 18,468
- Number of 7th Grade Students: 18,628
- Total Number of Students Taking FCS Courses: 54,504
- Number of 8th Grade Students: 17,408
- Number of Middle School FCS Programs: 160

MIDDLE SCHOOL FCS: PREPARATION FOR COLLEGE, CAREERS, AND REAL LIFE

**EMPLOYABILITY SKILLS**
Demonstrate employability skills required by business and industry, such as communication, creativity, critical thinking, work readiness traits, and professional image.

**CONSUMER & FINANCE**
Explain the relationships of social and financial skills needed to develop personal and business interactions. Discuss factors affecting consumers and business decisions for individuals and families and how these decisions impact society.

**CULINARY ARTS**
Identify and apply culinary-related knowledge, technology and skills necessary for food preparation and service in a safe and sanitary work environment.

**NUTRITION & FOOD SCIENCE**
Apply principles of nutrition and food science and their relationships to human growth, development, health and wellness using technology and hands-on experiences to support informed decision making skills needed to maintain a healthy lifestyle.

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**
Explore the growth and development of the child, ages birth to five, such as developmental milestones, appropriate learning environments, and nutritional and exceptional needs of children.

**TEACHING AS A PROFESSION**
Identify the knowledge, skills and practices of the educational workforce, such as career opportunities, positive guidance, learning styles, and understanding the code of ethics.

**INTERIOR DESIGN**
Analyze factors (social, psychological, cultural, economic) affecting housing and interior design decisions for individuals and families and their overall impact.

**FASHION DESIGN**
Analyze factors (social, psychological, cultural, economic) affecting fibers and apparel decisions for individuals and families and their overall impact.