

SOUTH HILLS MIDDLE SCHOOL



2018-2019 SCHOOL STATISTICS

Designated in 2010

Re-Designated in 2016

Community Size - Suburban

School Enrollment - 1200

Grade Levels - 7-9

School Calendar - traditional

Free & Reduced Lunch - 14%

English Learners - 5%

Students with Disabilities - 12%

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School Characteristics and Replicable Practices

Academic Excellence

- At South Hills Middle School, our 7th and 8th graders are on Core teams comprised of an ELA, Science, and Social Studies class.
- Teaming and collaboration make up the fabric of South Hills Middle. A variety of teams meet as PLC groups to improve instruction to meet individual learner needs.
- Students at South Hills Middle have access to classes that meet a range of academic needs. Self-contained, resource, inclusion, general education, Honors and AP classes are offered in addition to a variety of elective course options.

2018-2019 School Demographics

- **African American - 0.3%**
- **Asian - 0.9%**
- **Caucasian - 84.9%**
- **Filipino - 0%**
- **Hispanic - 8.2%**
- **Native American - 0.4%**
- **Pacific Islander - 0%**
- **Other - 5.3%**
- **Two or More - 0%**

- Our students have the opportunity to participate in a variety of academic enrichment opportunities, such as, Science Olympiad, STEM, Coding, Jazz Band, Art Matters and the school Musical.
- Teachers provide high impact, evidence-based instruction that is focused on individual mastery: student self-assessment, feedback, teacher clarity, and active engagement.
- We are progressing towards full implementation of standards-based grading practices (including proficiency scales implementation).

Developmental Responsiveness

- Our TA (Teacher Advisory) facilitates student advocacy and our character development program.
- Our FLEX program is focused on the re-teaching of concepts, grade remediation, and social and academic enrichment.
- Students have access to a variety of Counseling Center-run programs/groups: 7th grade Check and Connect, 7th grade Survival Skills, 8th grade Beat the Middle, and 9th grade Why Try? In addition, students can participate in groups that focus on anxiety, friendship, social skills, grief, and depression.
- Suicide prevention training is provided for faculty and students.
- Students can develop leadership skills through participation in SBO, NJHS, PTSA, TIGER Squad, and our Leadership class.

Social Equity

- One to one technology to meet the needs of various students: iPad labs, Chromebook labs, Play-aways, desktop labs, upgraded wireless system, and programmable robots.
- South Hills Middle increases an awareness and appreciation for differences through interdisciplinary activities, field trips, and school-wide celebrations like World Languages Week.
- Teachers have numerous opportunities to collaborate and review data to meet the needs of students. These opportunities include: PLC time to meet in interdisciplinary (core), content (data), and department teams; Core teams share a common planning period; and singleton teachers meet in district PLCs.

Organizational Support

- South Hills Middle uses a systematic tiered intervention system to address the needs of all learners.
- Our participation in a Digital Teaching and Learning grant has provided 1:1 access for students and an onsite Instructional Technology coach for teachers. This has resulted in increased and more effective technology integration.
- We utilize collaboration, peer coaching, and mentoring to reach "Every Learner, Every Day".