Imperial Academy
Middle School Course Descriptions
2026-2027

BIBLE COURSES

Bible 7 – Full Year
Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: 10-15 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Covers a survey of the Old Testament and includes material from *The United States and Britain in Prophecy.* Lectures and class discussions are based on the Imperial Academy Bible Lesson Level 7 Workbook. Students will also develop a foundational understanding of Bible literacy.

Bible 8 – Full Year
Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: 10-15 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Covers the life and teachings of Jesus Christ and a survey of the Gospels. Lectures and class discussions are based on the Imperial Academy Bible Lesson Level 8 Workbook. Students will also develop a foundational understanding of Bible literacy.

ENGLISH COURSES

GRAMMAR & COMPOSITION – Full Year
Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $15
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Provides a survey of literature, and teaches the basic components of reading comprehension and writing excellence. Teaches the fundamentals of grammar and mechanics of composition, and especially focuses on vocabulary-building. This course builds the skills and confidence needed to become an effective reader and writer.

INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE – Full Year
Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: English 7
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $25
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Provides a survey of literature and instills basic components of reading comprehension and writing excellence. Teaches the fundamentals of grammar and mechanics of composition, and especially focuses on vocabulary-building. This course builds the skills and confidence needed to become an effective reader and writer.

POETRY AND LITERATURE – Spring Semester

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Credits: 0.25
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Provides a survey of a broad range of poetry with an additional unit of literature, and instills basic components of reading comprehension, analysis and writing excellence. This course builds the skills and confidence needed to become an effective reader and writer.

HISTORY COURSES

GEOGRAPHY – Full Year

Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $20
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Examines the Earth's physical geography, human geography and culture, and how people interact with their environment.

Early U.S. History – Fall Semester

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Daily Homework: 10 minutes
Book Fee: $15
Availability: Everyone
Description: Explores major and minor events in the building of America from the early explorers through the founding fathers up to the Civil War.

Early World History – Spring Semester

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: 10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Gives a survey of early world history from the Flood to the medieval period with emphasis placed on Western Civilization.

MATH COURSES

Final math course placement will be determined by the faculty.

Math 7 – Full Year

Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: Grade 6 Math or Assessment test
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $10
Daily Homework: 15 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Reviews arithmetic, calculation, measurements, basic geometry and other foundational concepts and skills. It includes extensive pre-algebra exercises, including a range of upper-level skills and concepts such as scientific notation, complex statistics, arcs, sectors, and the Pythagorean Theorem.

Math 8 – Full Year

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: Math 7
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $10
Daily Homework: 15-20 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Reviews arithmetic, calculation, measurements, basic geometry and other foundational concepts and skills to set students up for success in Algebra.

Pre-Algebra – Full Year

Grade Level: 7 or 8
Prerequisite: Math 7 or Math 8
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $10
Daily Homework: 15-20 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Thoroughly prepares the student for upper-grade math by building on the foundation with a culmination of pre-algebra mathematics and skills, plus relevant topics from discrete mathematics (used for engineering and computer sciences), statistics, and geometry. Begins developing a strong aptitude in working with algebraic notation.

Algebra 1 – Full Year

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: Pre-Algebra
Semester Credits: 0.5
Book Fee: $10
Daily Homework: 15-20 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Introduces basic algebra and geometry. Symbolic algebra blends with plane geometry to foster an understanding of analysis (equations) and space (shapes). Aims to make students comfortable with the different notations commonly used in mathematics and starts building awareness and appreciation of what those notations convey. Introduces quadratic equations, so-called imaginary numbers, and basic exponential equations.

SCIENCE COURSES

GENERAL SCIENCE – Full Year

Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Lab Fee: $10
Description: Students are taught basic scientific skills and concepts in Science. The goal is to expose students to the design and mind of the Creator through the ingenious structure and orderly function of His creation.

EARTH SCIENCE – Full Year

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.5
Lab Fee: $10
Daily Homework: 5-10 minutes
Availability: Everyone
Description: Students will investigate geology, oceanography, meteorology, astronomy, and environmental science while simultaneously reinforcing core scientific skills. Simple, hands-on lab experiences will introduce critical thinking and scientific reasoning to lay a foundation for high school level sciences.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION COURSES

PHYSICAL EDUCATION 7-12 – Full Year

Grade Level: 7-12
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.25
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: 20 minutes (for online students)
Availability: Everyone
Description: Physical Education is an essential, basic part of a complete education. This course helps develop a lifestyle that enables total development of every student by navigating the rigors of physical activity. It allows physical, mental, emotional and social components of fitness to come together in developing character needed for success throughout life. This program provides a variety of movement experiences to help all students develop skills, knowledge, and attitudes necessary to function effectively in society. Students will utilize a broad, general and inclusive training program to develop physical fitness not only for a more abundant life, but also to actively give and participate in the community.

BASIC HEALTH – Spring Semester

Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.25
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: None
Availability: Everyone
Description: Basic Health provides students with the opportunity to learn about how to have good health through understanding diet and exercise, with a special emphasis placed on foods and cooking.

PRACTICAL SKILLS COURSES

STUDY SKILLS – Fall Semester

Grade Level: 7
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.25
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: None
Availability: Everyone
Description: Study Skills gives students the necessary skills to succeed academically as they leave primary school and enter secondary. Covers the basics of memorization, note-taking, reading, and organizational skills.

CRITICAL THINKING – Fall Semester

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Credits: 0.25 per semester
Book Fee: None
Daily Homework: None
Availability: Everyone
Description: Critical Thinking includes aspects of critical thinking, problem solving, logic, information interpretation and an examination of cause-and-effect. The class is designed to give students the bridge between academic knowledge and real-world application.

PERFORMING ARTS COURSES

ORCHESTRA - Full Year

Grade Level: 7-12
Prerequisite: Placement determined by faculty
Semester Credits: 0.25
Fee: None
Daily Homework: 30 minutes
Availability: Edmond only
Description: The Youth Orchestra develops the instrumental musical talents of those enrolled. Students will participate in a variety of repertoire and perform at various public events throughout the school year.

ARMSTRONG YOUTH CHORUS - Full Year

Grade Level: 7-12
Prerequisite: Placement determined by faculty and tryouts
Semester Credits: 0.25
Fee: None
Daily Homework: Minimal
Availability: Edmond-only
Description: The Armstrong Youth Chorus develops the vocal musical talents of those enrolled. Students will participate in a variety of different kinds of musical pieces and perform them in public.

PRIVATE MUSIC INSTRUCTION

Grade Level: 7-12
Prerequisite: Placement determined by faculty
Semester Credits: 0.5
Fee: None
Daily Homework: 50 minutes
Availability: Edmond Only – Online students may transfer credits from their personally arranged lessons, counting toward graduation credit requirements, beginning their 9th-grade year.
Description: Develops and refines technical, musical, artistic skills associated with performance. Instructor sets semester goals with each student that will be the primary focus of every lesson, and the semester's repertoire serves as tools to achieve these goals.

VISUAL ARTS COURSES

ARTISANSHIP & MULTIMEDIA - Full Year

Grade Level: 8
Prerequisite: None
Semester Credits: 0.25
Supply Fee: $40
Daily Homework: Minimal
Availability: Everyone
Description: Artisanship & Multimedia approaches the craft of art-making. We plan to include: leatherworking, small wood crafts, the use of dyes, basic sculpture, stencils, stamps, upcycling, and other hands-on crafts that teach proper and creative use of tools to create beauty in the home or outside it.