

Katherine Johnson Middle
School



English 7

Curriculum Night
January 17, 2024

Meet the teachers!

Ms. Boyer



Mrs. Browne



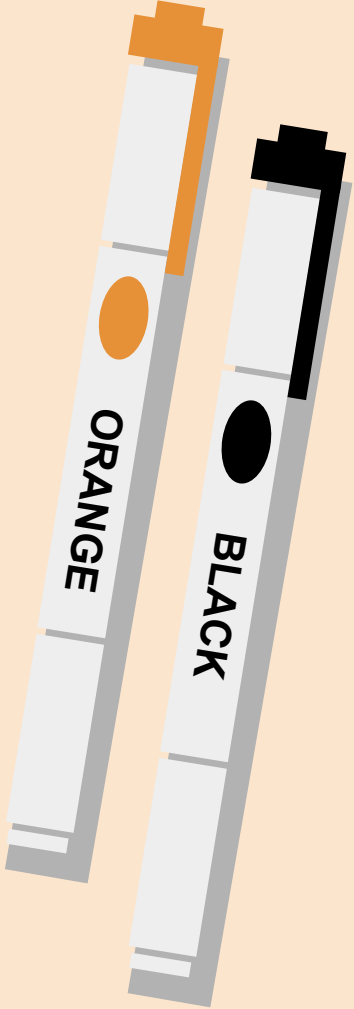
Mrs. Bowden



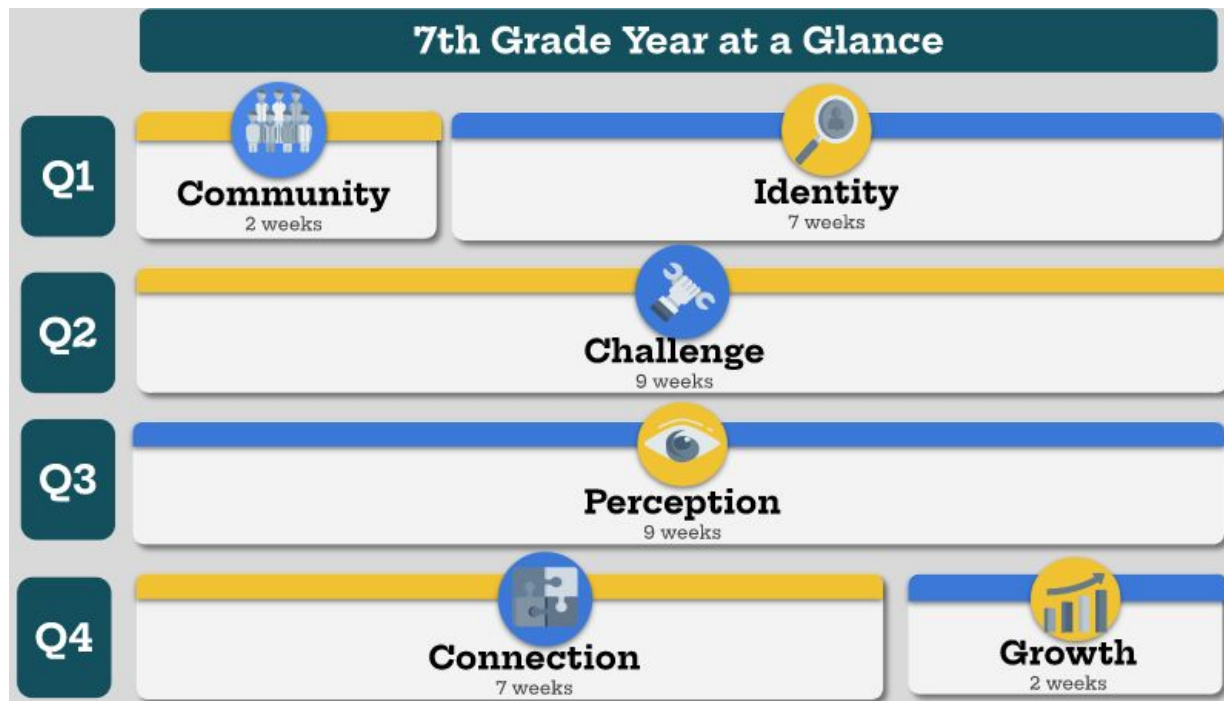
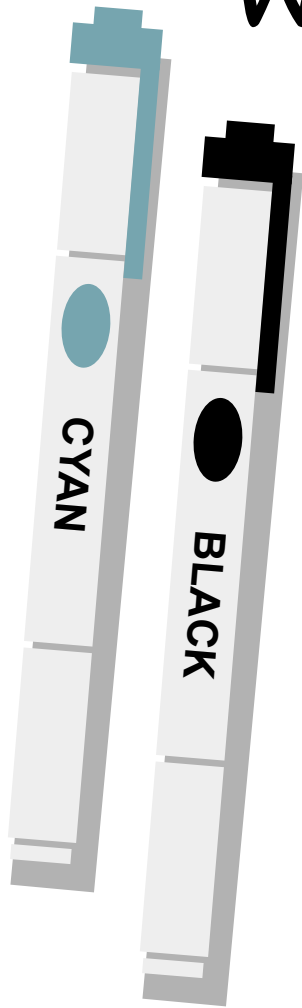
Ms. Luther



AP- Michele Johnson



What will students learn in English 7



Spiraling Skills

Will be addressed in fiction & nonfiction

- ❖ Context clues/ Vocabulary
- ❖ Inferences/drawing conclusions
- ❖ Plot Diagrams
- ❖ Cause/effect
- ❖ Main idea
- ❖ Summarizing
- ❖ Synthesis



Curriculum Framework

Reading:

- Independent reading books
- Book Clubs/ Lit. Circles
- Class novels
- Short stories

Listening/Speaking:

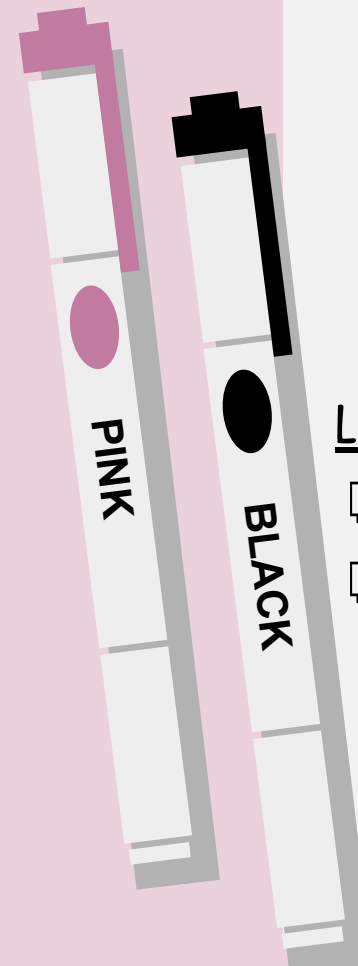
- Large/small group discussions
- Multimodal presentations

Vocabulary and Grammar:

- Embedded throughout the year

Writing:

- Narrative
- Poetic
- Expository
- Persuasive
- Reflective
- Research-based



Technology



Reading

Writing

Research

Speaking

Teacher
Instruction

HMH online textbook

No Red Ink

Noodle Tools

Google Suites

Pear Deck

Newsela

Daily Journaling

FCPS Online Databases Flipgrid

Schoolology



Selecting Core Classes Decision Making Chart

Should I take Honors English, Science, or Social Studies?

Am I truly interested in and curious about this subject?

yes

Have I learned this subject well and fairly easily so far?

yes

Am I willing to work **extra** hard consistently in this subject?

yes

This would likely be a great honors class for you!

no

Consider a different honors you feel more strongly about or wait a year until you are ready

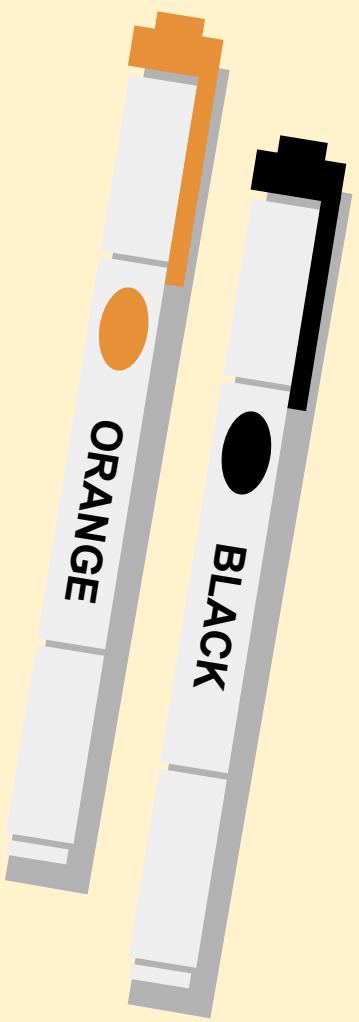
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Consider whether there is a different honors you would work **extra** hard for or wait a year until you are ready
(Remember, you will be working hard for all classes!)

no

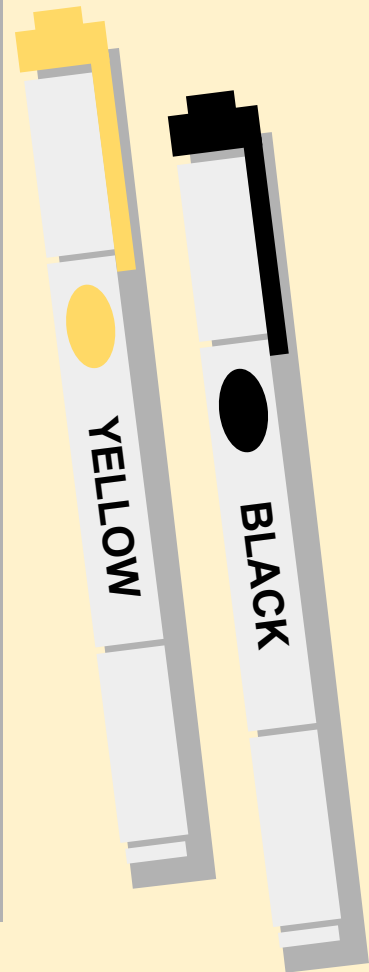
Also consider:

How many honors classes should I take?
Depends on your current study habits (complete work on time, study for tests, etc.), commitments (do I have activities outside of school that I spend time on?), and ability to stay organized. Remember you can start slow and add honors classes each year in middle and high school.



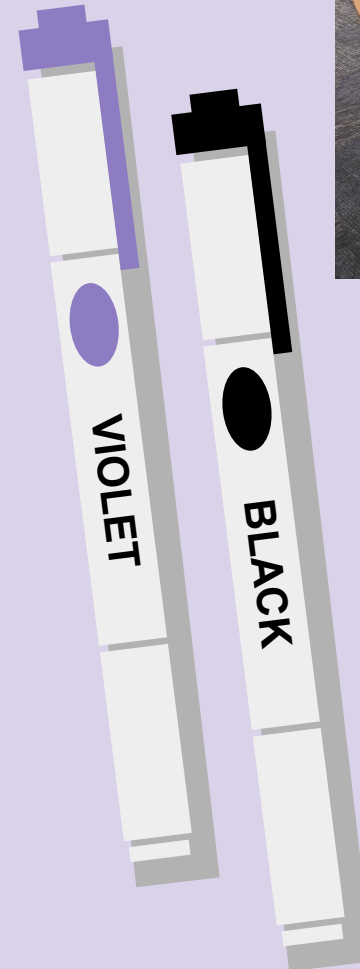
How is Advanced Academics different in English?

- AAP curriculum resources are used (e.g. DBQ, Jacob's Ladders, Critical and Creative Thinking Strategies, Socratic Seminar, Debates, PBL)
- Inquiry-based Learning- Authentic & Open-ended learning activities
- Essential/ guiding questions that lead to enduring understandings and/or generalizations
- Balance of written and oral academic communication
- Students evaluate situations, problems, and/or issues and determine implications/actions/solutions
- Students gather evidence from multiple sources (print/non-print, internet, investigation, interview) to support their thinking
- Students pursue in-depth learning of a self-selected topic within an area of study
- Flexible instructional groupings (based on learning style, readiness, and/or interest)



Special Events and Opportunities

- Book Clubs
- Ravenous Readers Summer Program
- Winter Break Reading Challenge
- Virginia Readers' Choice
- Spelling Bee
- Student Newspaper & Literary Magazine
- Student Library Advisory Board



Newly Renovated Library



Any
questions?

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Slides from tonight's
presentation will be posted on
the school's website for you to
access later.

