



*Some reasons to consider  
Miramonte for your middle  
school student:*

- **Sixth grade transition** – self-contained classroom for most subjects, incorporation into the middle school P.E. and music programs
- **Low turnover rate** – 14 of 17 Class of 2016 class members have attended Miramonte since the primary grades.
- **Small classes** – allow for a lower teacher to student ratio than public middle schools.
- **Leveled-math program** – students not assigned based on grade level, but ability level.
- **Music program** – advanced band & choir.
- **Abundant leadership training & opportunities** – Student Council, class office, leading out in religious activities, “buddy” classes.
- **After school sports program** – options include both coed intramural sports and league teams.
- **Technology** – weekly computer lab visits in several subject areas; lab available two periods per week for study hall use.



*Middle School Staff*

Amanda Corson	Grade 6 (all subjects except Music)
Douglas Knecht	Music
Walker Lepulu	Algebra 1
Yolande Melbourne	Bible 7 Math 7 Language Arts 7 & 8
Ronna Sato	Bible 8 Math 8 Science 7 & 8 Social Studies 7 & 8



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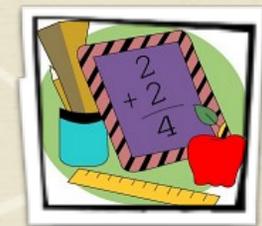


*Middle School*  
Grades 6 - 8

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# Miramonte Middle School

Miramonte School follows the curriculum recommendations outlined by the Pacific Union Conference and North American Division Education Departments. These guidelines are developed through careful study of current educational research and state standards. The Miramonte School Board also supports supplementary or alternative curriculum proposals which better fit the local needs of the Miramonte community of students and parents. All Miramonte teachers hold Seventh-day Adventist teaching credentials which exceed California state teaching credentials in several areas.



## Sports

We offer year-round after school sports for middle school students. Sports teams (students must try out and make the team) include boys & girls flag football, coed volleyball, boys and girls basketball, coed soccer, and coed softball. Intramural sports (everyone makes the team) are volleyball and softball.

## Outdoor School

Middle school students participate in at least one "outdoor school" activity per school year. The activities on these trips are specifically coordinated with the curriculum at each grade level. Each individual grade goes on a week-long outdoor school experience. In addition, seventh and eighth graders participate in a two-day trip of inner-tubing, skiing, and snowboarding as part of the physical education curriculum.

## Outreach Activities

Core teachers at each middle school level plan occasional outreach activities. In addition, outreach activities are regularly incorporated into the religion curriculum. Each middle school grade level is also paired with a "buddy class" at Miramonte. Older students lead out in craft, worship, or reading activities with small groups or individual younger students.

## Sixth Grade

The sixth grade program at Miramonte is structured to begin the transition to the departmentalized program in junior high school. While sixth graders spend most of their time in a self-contained classroom, they are incorporated in the middle school music and physical education programs. Sixth graders participate in the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education) Program sponsored by the Los Altos Police Department, and they visit Mission Springs in the Santa Cruz Mountains for an outdoor school experience. "Battle of the Books," a periodic reading enrichment option during lunch recess, is open to students in the sixth grade.



*Middle school students participating in a choral concert*



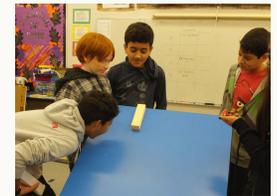
*Sixth graders dressed in costume for a social studies presentation on Greece*

## Seventh Grade

Seventh graders at Miramonte make the "big step" to a departmentalized program. Although continuing to build skills from where the Miramonte sixth grade program leaves off, seventh graders switch between two main teachers for their academic subjects rather than remaining in a self-contained classroom. Qualifying seventh graders receive instruction in a pre-algebra/pre-geometry curriculum which prepares them to take algebra 1 in the eighth grade. Hume Lake in Tulare County, which offers youth environmental and Christian leadership training, is the outdoor school destination of seventh graders.



*Seventh graders on the annual junior high ski and snowboarding trip for physical education*



*Seventh graders working collaboratively on a group science project*

## Eighth Grade

In eighth grade the focus shifts to include leadership training and preparation for high school. The regular curriculum is supplemented with instruction designed to aid students in forming the study habits and organizational skills necessary for success in high school. Eighth graders also participate in weekly life skill activities such as cooking, stitchery, and woodworking. The eighth grade class makes a week-long trip to Southern California each April to culminate several areas of study in science and social studies, as well as to enjoy a final social experience before graduating.



*Eighth graders in their wet suits on the marine biology trip to Catalina Island*



*Eighth graders participating in a weekly woodworking class*