8th Grade Supply and Wishlist

8th Grade Math	Algebra	Science	Social Studies	ELA
*(1) 1 ½ inch three-ring binder *(5) 3-ring Pocket dividers *Graph paper *(1) two-pocket folder with brads for data folders *Fine point dry erase markers *Scientific Calculator (TI-30xIIs recommended and taught in class)	*(1) 1 ½ inch three-ring binder *(5) 3-ring Pocket dividers *Graph paper *(1) two-pocket folder with brads for data folders *OPTIONAL BUT RECOMMENDED Graphing calculator: TI-84 Plus CE	*Folder *2 College Ruled Composition notebooks	*Folder *College Ruled Composition Notebook	*1 College Ruled Composition notebook *(5) 3-ring dividers *(1) 1" Binder
Supplies Needed for All Classes		Classroom and Science Lab Donations		
*Pencils *Pens *Coloring supplies *Glue Sticks *Scissors *3-5 different colored highlighters *College ruled loose leaf paper *Earbud Headphones (with wires!) *Ruler *Fine point dry erase markers		*Tissues *Paper Towels *Disinfectant Wipes *Pencils *Hand Sanitizer (for flu season) *Assorted Colored Copy Paper (for foldables) *College ruled loose leaf paper *Dry Erase Markers *Marshmallows *Skewers *Duct tape		

Grasso's Wishlist



Armstrong's Wishlist McRae's Wishlist





Lvingston's Wishlist

Stetson Hills 8th Grade Welcomes You!

Dear Parents and Students,

We would like to take this opportunity to introduce ourselves and welcome you to 8th grade at Stetson Hills. We are so excited to learn with your children and have a great year! We will be hosting a curriculum night in the beginning of the school year to give you specific details about the year ahead. Below are some key points we would like to share!

Math (8th Grade Math and Algebra)

This will be Mrs. McRae's 8th [non-consecutive] year teaching middle school math at Stetson Hills. Although 8th grade math focuses on all types of math, this year will truly develop the foundational math skills necessary for freshman year Algebra. You can expect to focus heavily on Linear Relationships, Systems of Linear Equations, Solving Multi-step linear equations, the Pythagorean Theorem, and Transformations. This will be Mrs. McRae's first time teaching Honors Algebra 1-2. Honors Algebra 1-2 is an honors high school course and students' grades are reflected on their high school transcript. Algebra 1 is the fall semester (Aug-Dec) and Algebra 2 is the spring semester (Jan-May) with district semester finals for each. She is so excited to learn and grow with her students!

Social Studies

Mrs. Livingston graduated with a BA in Advertising and started working in New York City. After moving to Phoenix with her family, she began volunteering at her children's school and became a substitute teacher. She was offered a teaching position at a charter school and enrolled in a teaching certification program. Over the past 15 years she has taught second, third, fifth, and sixth grade. She is excited to start this new adventure teaching eighth grade social studies at Stetson Hills. She is highly qualified in both middle school Social Studies and English Language Arts and has a Masters degree in Elementary Education.

Language Arts

This will be Ms. Grasso's 11th year teaching Language Arts at Stetson Hills. She graduated from ASU with two BAs, one in English and one in Secondary Education, as well as two MEds, one in Gifted Education and one in Educational Leadership. This year in Language Arts we will kick the year off by working out of our Collections textbook with a collection called Culture and Belonging. Students will work together to discover what it means to develop your identity within a new culture. Moving on from there, students will challenge their personal biases as we go through our The Outsiders literature study.

Science

Welcome to 8th grade Science! This year we get to explore exciting science topics. We get to start out in the past, the very past! We will start the year discussing fossils and rock layers, and how we can understand the age of earth. Then we get into genetics looking at how we get our traits. Following that we learn about Natural Disasters and their impact on the world. Next is chemistry, learning about the elements on the periodic table and how they make up the world around us! I am so excited for this next school year and to have you in class!

We are excited for what will be a great year!

Ms. Grasso, Mrs. McRae, Mrs. Armstrong, and Mrs. Livingston