



Paxon Middle Safety Net Programs

Charting New Routes to a World Class Education



At Paxon Middle School all students are expected to be academically successful. Our mission is to provide quality programs that will assist students academically in and out of school. Below are the following Safety Net programs that are offered at Paxon Middle School as we Chart New Routes to a World Class Education. We encourage parents to allow his or her student to participate in as many programs that are designed to assist students in becoming successful. Transportation will be provided for students who participate.

Science Academy 8th Grade Class

The Eighth Grade Science Academy is designed to assist students to be successful on the FCAT Science Sunshine State Standards. The program utilizes a directed learning approach, but instructional strategies also include diagnostic/ prescriptive teaching, for students who are on various levels 1-5. The academy will be offered during the day starting in the month of October. There will be large and small group instruction, cooperative learning techniques, and multimedia instruction.

Writing Academy 8th Grade Class

The Eighth Grade Writing Academy is designed to assist students to be successful on the FCAT Writing Sunshine State Standards. The program utilizes a directed learning approach, but instructional strategies also include diagnostic/ prescriptive teaching, for students who are on various levels 1-5. The academy will be offered during the day starting in the month of October. There will be large and small group instruction, cooperative learning techniques, and writing strategies to assist students in scoring 3.5 or higher.

Intensive Reading Classes (Read 180) (6th 7th 8th Grades)

The Intensive Reading classes are designed to give students extra attention in the area of Reading. The class assists students who are in need of remediation or have scored below the 23rd percentile on the reading comprehension portion of the FCAT/NRT. Students who scored FCAT levels 1-2 are enrolled in the Intensive Reading block during school.

Intensive Math Classes (6th 7th 8th Grades)

The Intensive Math classes are designed to give students extra attention in the area of Math. The class assists students who are in need of remediation or have scored a level 1 on the math portion of the FCAT/SSS. Students will also receive prescribe assistance in the Compass Odysseys lab after NWEA testing.

TEAM-UP Academic Assistance (After School)

The TEAM-UP academic assistance program will provide an hour and a half of homework assistance with a certified teacher. The TEAM-UP program is held on Monday thru Friday from 3:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M. with a snack provided. Our TEAM-UP Program offers a safe, nurturing, atmosphere for students to enhance their academic preparation for their instructional classes.

After School Academic Assistance Program (SES)

The Academic Assistance Program provides an hour of academic assistance with a certified teacher. Specific assistance will be given in Math and Language Arts; however assistance in all subjects will be available. The program dates begin in the month of October. See Mrs. Nixon (SES Facilitator) for additional information.

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Standards Based Promotion Program

The Standards-Based Promotion (SBP) program is designed to assist students in grades six (6) and seven (7) who have failed at least once and are eligible to attend accelerated classes in math, language arts, social studies and science via Compass Odyssey instruction. By successfully completing all program requirements, the sixth and seventh grade students have the opportunity to accelerate their grade placement.

Gear Up Program (8th Graders)

GEAR UP is a federally funded U.S. Department of Education program, which helps to prepare middle school students for high school success and post secondary education. This Academic, Social, and Cultural Enrichment program leads to early understanding and awareness of undergraduate programs and 21st Century Careers.

Compass Odyssey-

Compass Odyssey is a web-delivered, managed, curriculum software system providing state aligned learning opportunities in the four core content areas. The program provides differentiated instruction through automatic prescription of individual learning paths based on assessment data drawn from the FCAT and NWEA. Students are assigned unique learning activities based upon identified deficits.

College Reach Out Program (CROP) The College Reach-Out Program (CROP) is a state-wide initiative designed to increase the number students that pursue college. Paxon Middle School and the Florida Institute of Education at the University of North Florida partnership will begin in the sixth grade in January 2008. The College Reach-Out Program's goals are to Enhance Develop students' learning skills.

Saturday School

Saturday School will be provided for our students this year in Reading, Math, and Writing & Science. The purpose of Saturday School is to prepare your child for the FCAT. Teachers will work on mastering tested benchmark skills and test taking strategies. We strongly suggest that any student scoring a Level 1 or Level 2 on last year's FCAT or making below a C average in reading and/or math attend this program.

Teacher Tutoring

Teachers are available to assist students having academic difficulty through morning or after school tutorials. Please consult with the individual teacher for more details.

Parents

These programs are available to all students at Paxon Middle School and all are free of charge. We hope you take advantage of these opportunities to assist your child in his/her academic growth. If you have any questions, please contact the guidance office or the appropriate house administrator.

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