

## General Course Information

<b>Course Name: Stretch 7th</b>	
Department: Stretch/Gifted	Grade Level(s): 7
Duration/Credits: 1 year	Prerequisites: placement through an application and testing process
BOE Approval Date:	Course Code:
<b>Course Description:</b>	
<p>Students in Stretch 7th grade strengthen skills as leaders, critical and creative thinkers, independent explorers, and globally aware citizens. The goal is to provide experiences to apply cognitive concepts, solve real-world problems, and collaborate effectively with peers. This course is individualized and student driven and is designed to meet the specific needs of the gifted learner. Placement into the gifted program is completed through a testing and application process.</p>	
<b>Course Rationale:</b>	
<p>Every student deserves to be challenged on his or her level. Gifted students have unique, individual needs that require a specialized curriculum and course work to meet. Stretch 7th grade is designed to meet the needs of the gifted student.</p>	
<b>Course Objectives:</b>	
<p>The student will understand themselves and others, respecting similarities and differences and creating a safe environment for growth.</p> <p>The student will view challenges as a positive opportunity.</p> <p>The student will use multiple sources to answer driving questions, debating and analyzing multiple perspectives.</p> <p>The student will lead responsibly through an understanding of collaboration and group roles.</p> <p>The student will research, analyze, and debate current events and make connections to global and historical trends.</p> <p>The student will seek answers to essential questions using meaningful evidence and present informally and formally.</p>	

The student will extend learning through passion projects that connect multiple talent areas.

**Standards Alignment:**

Derived from National Association of Gifted Children