## Middle Music Course Description

(Academic Year2020-2021)

Course Description middle School Music Philosophy Statement based on Virginia standards. In 6th Grade Music, students will explore music from many different genres and cultures. Activities range from singing, listening, journaling, playing instruments, composing, improvising. This class will also prepare students to sing in 7th grade choir.

In 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Guitar, this class is a 9-week course in which students learn the basics of guitar playing. The class focuses on proper playing positions, parts of the guitar, note reading and chart reading. Students will play songs from many different cultures.

In 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir, students will sing choral music of all genres from around the world. Students will be taught the basics of sight singing on solfege (Do-Re-Mi) syllables. Students will perform in approximately four concerts per year; concert attendance is required.

In 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Choir, students will sing choral music of all genres from around the world. Students will continue to develop sight-singing skills to prepare them for high school choir. Students will perform in approximately four concerts per year; concert attendance is required.