

YORK MIDDLE SCHOOL

York Middle School is the sole middle school for York School District One. Our programs are designed to help students make the successful transition from elementary and intermediate school to the independence of high school. Middle school is a time of change. The workload, levels of responsibility, and social adjustments are greater than at the levels below 7th and 8th grades. Our dedicated staff works hard to foster dedication, perseverance and a passion for knowledge with all students during these formative years

York Middle School is helping all students develop the World Class Skills of the Profile of the South Carolina Graduate with a focus on world class knowledge, world class skills, and life and career characteristics. We are continuously seeking ways to improve and expand our instructional programs. Teachers utilize units of instruction which are developed through department and team collaboration to integrate the content areas, deliver quality instruction, and determine understanding through the evaluation of common assessment data.

York Middle School is a 1:1 school where all students have a Chromebook to use for instructional purposes. Teachers integrate these devices into all realms of instruction. In modern classrooms, technology has become an invaluable instrument for students. It supports the learning process by engaging students in interactive lessons that delve deep into content and require problem-solving skills. Departments and teams of teachers utilize the 1:1 technology as a means to begin the process of creating mastery paths to learning where there is individualization in learning and differentiation in the final product that represents learning. Student centered learning is our focus.

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REPORT TO THE PEOPLE

2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

**PRINCIPAL
CASSIDY VALERINO**

**ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS
SEAN CUNNINGHAM
KELLIE MONDO**

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ABOUT OUR SCHOOL

Name: York Middle School
Address: 1010 Devinney Road
York, SC 29745
Phone: 803.684.5008
Grades: 7th & 8th Grades
Student Enrollment: 812 Students
Mascot: Cougar

THE COUGAR CREED

I am here to commit my time and effort to my future.

I will treat myself and others with **RESPECT**.
I am **ORGANIZED** and prepared to succeed.

I know my **ATTITUDE** can change my entire day.

I am **RESPONSIBLE** for my actions and my future.

York Cougars **ROAR** with pride and we **ROAR** as one.

R-O-A-R



ARTS & ATHLETICS EXCELLENCE

- STRAIGHT SUPERIOR RATINGS IN CHORAL AND CONCERT BAND STATE EVALUATIONS
- LARGE DRAMA CLUB PERFORMANCE OF "ALICE IN WONDERLAND"
- STATE WRESTLING CHAMPION
- DIVISION RUNNER-UP SOFTBALL CHAMPIONS
- ONLY MIDDLE SCHOOL IN THE STATE WITH A 7TH AND 8TH GRADE JAZZ BAND
- OVER 40 BAND STUDENTS SELECTED FOR HONORS BAND
- CWEA CADETTE COUGARETTES STATE CHAMPIONS
- SCBDA WINTER ENSEMBLE STATE CHAMPIONS



POINTS OF PRIDE

- DISTRICT TEACHER OF THE YEAR- MICHELLE SHAVER
- OVER 600 STUDENTS GREW ON YEARLY MEASURES OF ACADEMIC PROGRESS TESTING
- HIGHEST ELA ACHIEVEMENT SCORE FOR SC READY TESTING EVER ACHIEVED
- 10 PSAT JUNIOR SCHOLARS
- BETA CLUB
- NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY
- JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT GRANT
- MULTIPLE GRANT RECIPIENTS
- NATIONAL BOARD CERTIFIED TEACHERS
- AUTHOR'S DAY VISIT
- 8TH GRADE JOB SHADOWING
- LUNCH & LEARN CAREER EXPLORATION EVENTS
- YEARLY CAREER CONFERENCE

SCHOOL DEMOGRAPHICS

Student Enrollment

7th Grade: 399
8th Grade: 413
Total: 812

School Demographics

African-American: 19%
Caucasian: 64%
Hispanic: 9%
Other: 8%

STATE TEST SCORES

SC Ready Scores- 2021 & 2022

Below are percentages of students scoring Met and Exemplary

7th Grade

<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
ELA- 36.7%	ELA- 39.3%
Math- 25.6%	Math- 23.3%

8th Grade

<u>2021</u>	<u>2022</u>
ELA- 29.7%	ELA- 43.3%
Math- 16.4%	Math- 26.8%

