The middle school model for core instructional teams is unique in its approach, and does not specifically mirror the elementary or high school staffing models. A middle school is based on core instructional teams with teachers of English Language Arts (ELA), Science, Social Studies and Math. Teachers are assigned groups of students within a Team/Community/Crew.

Our goal for next year is to implement World Language 5 days a week in Spanish and French and at the same time...

- Maintain a developmentally appropriate instructional model and transition to MS for 11 year old students
- Maintain the team concept which is at the heart of the Middle School model while further departmentalizing grade 6 to provide greater content expertise in the 4 core curriculum areas important with Common Core and SBAC
- Eliminate multiple subject area preps for teachers allowing them to focus instruction and benefit from departmental professional development from Curriculum Leaders
- Provide reading support to struggling 6th graders who require more reading instruction (in place of WL)
- Maintain team sizes of 90 110 to insure success in this 1st year of implementation

2014-15: Teacher assignments for current Grade 6 team with 3 teachers

Teacher A	Teacher B	Teacher C
ELA	ELA	ELA
ELA	ELA	ELA
SS	SCI	Math
SS	SCI	Math
SS	SCI	Math

Sample student schedule for current Grade 6 structure:

ELA
ELA
Math
Science
Soc St
Lunch
PE/Music
Unified Arts

2015-16: 4 teacher team without double block of ELA and with a period for World Language

Teacher A	Teacher B	Teacher C	Teacher D
ELA	Math	SS	Science
ELA	Math	SS	Science
ELA	Math	SS	Science
ELA	Math	SS	Science
ELA	Math	SS	Science

Sample student schedule for 2015-16:

ELA
World Language or Reading
Math
Science
Soc St
Lunch
PE/Music
Unified Arts

ELA Staffing in grade 6:

 268 grade 6 students 3 teams of 4 teachers each There is one ELA teacher on each team. Each teacher teaches 5 periods for a total of 15 ELA periods for grade 6. 268/15 = 18 students per ELA 	 214 grade 6 students 2 teams of 4 teachers each There is one ELA teacher on each team. Each teacher teaches 5 periods for a total of 10 ELA periods for grade 6. 214/10 = 22 students per ELA
	 There is one ELA teacher on each team. Each teacher teacher teaches 5 periods for a total of 15 ELA periods for grade 6. 268/15 = 18