



**Welcome
to
Montgomery
Lower Middle
School**

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Introductions

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STARR Program

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Sample Schedule

5 periods per day (52 minutes)

Lunch by grade and flex

Different teachers: LA/SS and Math/Sci *few exceptions

Marking period grading (4 progress reports)

Supplemental LA in lieu of L.A. Workshop

All students are placed on a team *some students are cross teamed

G&T: one time per week at different times

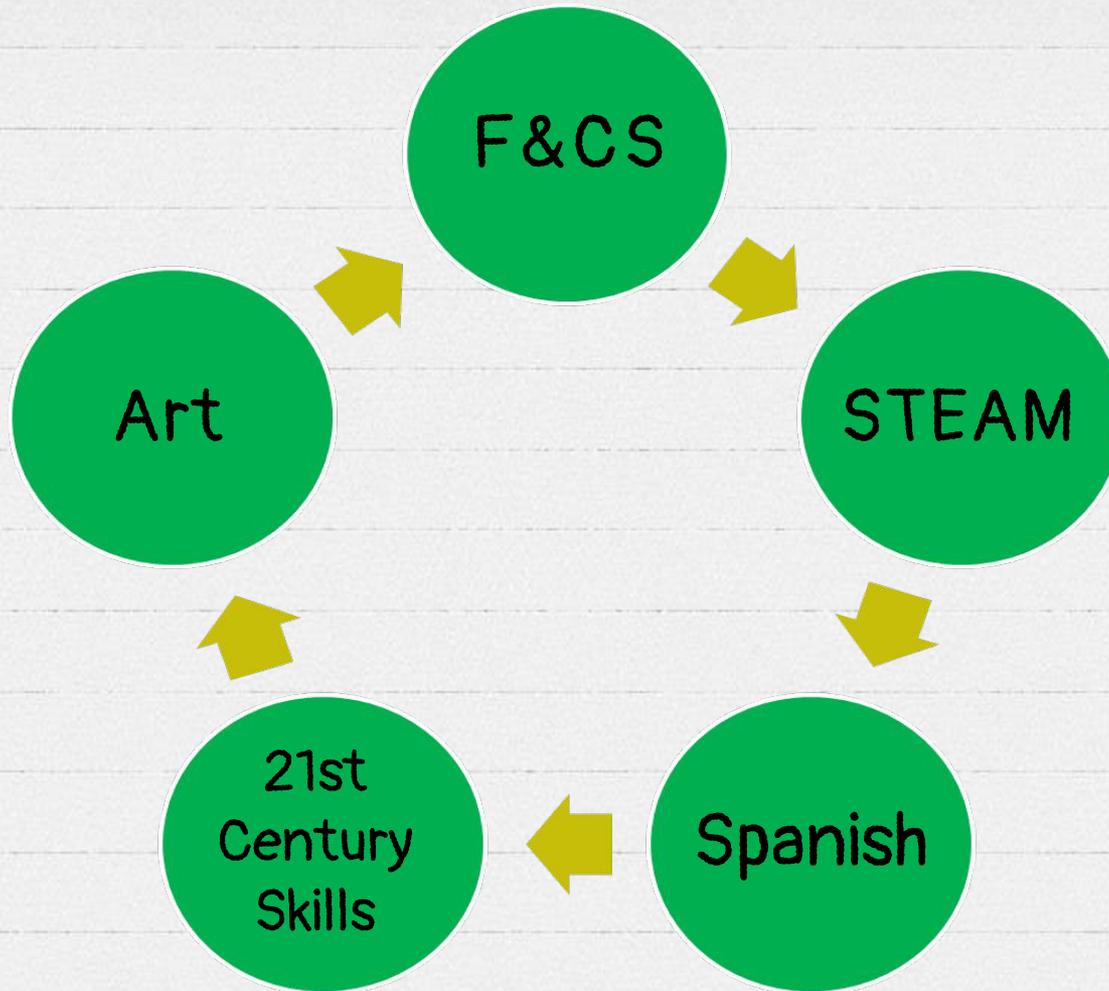
Related services: typically schedule during cycles/music but can be anywhere

A - Day	B - Day
HR/Morning Meeting	HR/Morning Meeting
Music	Art
Math	Math
Science	Science
Language Arts	Language Arts
Social Studies	Social Studies
Gym	Language Arts Workshop

MUSIC: Band, Orchestra, Chorus, Music Workshop

Cycle: Art, Family Consumer Science, STEAM, World Language, 21st Century Skills

5th Grade Cycle Rotation



Special Education Programs

General Education

In-class Resource – two teacher model - general education curriculum

Replacement – special education teacher - modifications made to curriculum

LLD – (Language and Learning Disability) special education teacher - modifications made to curriculum and IEP goals.

MD - (Multiply Disabilities) special education teacher - modifications made to curriculum and IEP goals.

Autism – special education teacher - modifications made to curriculum and IEP goals.

Special Education Programs & Average Class Size

General Education: approximately 25 students

In-class Resource – max # of special education students = 8

Replacement – max # of special education students = 6, can go to 9 with a paraprofessional

LLD – (Language and Learning Disability) max # of special education students = 12, can go to 16 with a paraprofessional

MD – (Multiple Disabilities) max # of special education students = 8, can go to 12 with a paraprofessional

Autism – max # of special education students = 3, can go to 6 with a paraprofessional

Support Classes

Supplemental Reading - direct, systematic, multisensory approach to reading instruction based on the student IEP

**would be in place of L.A. Workshop

Lockers!!!

Every student is assigned a locker. The lockers do not have a lock!

Teachers will review with your child how to use a locker.

Every student will need to use their locker.

After-School Help

Teachers stay one day a week for after school help Tuesday-Thursday

Teachers on a team do their best to stagger their after school help days so that students can meet with their teachers.

EX:

Math Teacher stays on Tuesday

Language arts Teacher stays on Wednesday

The after-school help schedule can be found on the LMS Website

After-School Activities

The screenshot shows the website for Montgomery Lower Middle School. The header is dark green with the school logo on the left and navigation icons for Directory, Calendar, Genesis, Menu, and A/B Schedule on the right. Below the header is a yellow navigation bar with links for Home, About Us, COVID-19, Co-Curricular, Departments, Parents, PTO, and Staff Webpages. The main content area has a dark green sidebar on the left titled "LMS Clubs" with a list of club links: Overview, LMS Achieve, Cougar Choir, Empowering Young Monty, Interact-Community Service, LMS Musical, Sports Spectacular, The LMS Book Club, 6th Grade MATHCOUNTS, 5th Grade Math Contest Club, 6th Grade Science Club, Mr. Rabinowitz's Jazz Band, International Foods Club, Morning Meeting Club, and Unified Club. The main content area features a section titled "Clubs & Activities at LMS!" with a paragraph of text and a small image of a stack of money. Below the text is a "Last Modified on September 28, 2021" timestamp.

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Directory Calendar Genesis Menu A/B Schedule

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LMS Clubs

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[LMS Achieve](#)

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[Empowering Young Monty](#)

[Interact-Community Service](#)

[LMS Musical](#)

[Sports Spectacular](#)

[The LMS Book Club](#)

[6th Grade MATHCOUNTS](#)

[5th Grade Math Contest Club](#)

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[Mr. Rabinowitz's Jazz Band](#)

[International Foods Club](#)

[Morning Meeting Club](#)

[Unified Club](#)

Clubs & Activities at LMS!

This section will provide an overview of after-school activities available to both 5th & 6th Graders unless specified. Clubs and after-school activities meet throughout the year. There are no late buses available at the Lower Middle School. All students need to arrange for a ride home after each activity.

Please refer to Club webpages for Club Advisor contact information, if you have questions regarding a specific club or activity. Thanks for your support.



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Support in clubs:
IEP driven

Articulation

Students in the in-class support setting and replacement setting visit LMS with their general education peers, students in specialized programming visit more than one time

Case managers and teachers meet with next year's case managers and teachers

Thank you for coming tonight!
Do you have any questions?

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Please email us if you have any additional questions!