Providing Opportunities

FAYETTEVILLE-MANLIUS MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Middle School Building Action Plans

- Research diverse course opportunities and master schedule options for middle school students (administrative topic leaders).
- Provide additional advanced course opportunities for students in Grade 8.
- Increase the number of female students enrolled in Technology & Design department courses.

Grade 8 Schedule Design

- Periods 1, 2, 3, 8 & 9
 English, Math, Social Studies, LOTE & Science
- ► Periods 4, 5 & 6

 Electives, Health, PE & Earth Science lab
- Period 7

Lunch

<u>Note</u>: All Program Requirements for Middle Grades in FACS, Health & Technology met by grade 7

http://www.p12.nysed.gov/ciai/mle/mleflex.html

Grade 8 Advanced Courses: Changes Over Time

2014-15

Earth Science

Algebra I Honors

Languages other than English (All students, 2013-14 gr. 7 start French, Spanish, German, Latin)

Studio in Art: Foundations

Music Theory

2015-16

Earth Science

Algebra I

Languages other than English (All students, 2013-14 gr. 7 start French, Spanish, German, Latin)

Studio in Art: Foundations

Music Theory

Product Design & Engineering

2016-17 (and beyond)

Earth Science

Algebra I

Languages other than English (All students, 2013-14 gr. 7 start French, Spanish, German, Latin)

Studio in Art: Foundations

Studio Music

Product Design & Engineering

Additional Grade 8 Electives

- ► Family and Consumer Sciences
- ▶ Chorale
- ► Music 8
- Computer Applications
- ▶ Band
- Orchestra

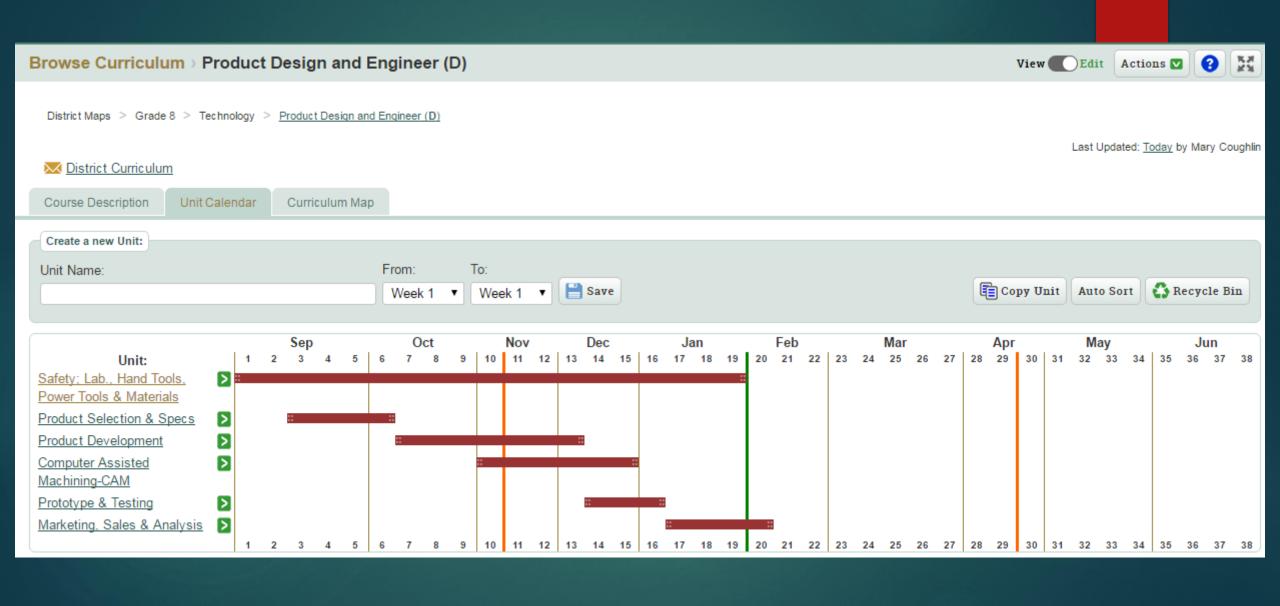
Product Design & Engineering 2015-16

- 20 Week Course 1/2 High School Unit of Credit
- ▶ This course is designed for students to participate in design, development, production and quality assurance in the production of various products. Computer Assisted Drawing and Design skills will be incorporated in the designing phases. Computer Assisted Manufacturing and various production techniques will be utilized in the fabrication of the products. Students will work with class members in team work and collaborative activities. Members of the class will use the systems approach, problem solving, and analytical skills to solve design and engineering problems.

Product Design & Engineering Enrollment

- **2015-16**
- 123/364 students = 34%
- 34% female

- 2016-17 (projected)
- 338 students/TBD
- TBD



Studio Music 2016-17

- ▶ 20 Week Course ½ High School Unit of Credit
- Studio Music is a high school course introducing the concepts of music theory in a technology rich environment. Students will complete projects that might be common in a professional music studio, including jingle writing, soundtracks, and other commercial music. Projects will be produced and recorded with available software such as Sibelius, Finale, Garage Band, and Audacity. Students will develop the necessary skills for authentic performance using a variety of instruments. This course fulfills the prerequisite for Theory II.

"If we've helped them evolve into big thinkers instead of small thinkers, then we've done our jobs."