

CLOVER GARDEN SCHOOL

GRADES 6-8 ELECTIVE OPTIONS



- **Digital Literacy:** Engage in what it means to be digitally literate. Students will learn basic computer skills as well as how to be conscious of their digital footprint.
- **Keyboarding and Basic Word Processing:** Learn proper touch typing skills and focus on proper posture, ergonomics, accuracy and speed as students work through lessons designed to improve keyboarding skills.
- Introduction to Office Productivity: Develop basic skills in Microsoft Word, Excel, PowerPoint, Google Suite, and hone their keyboarding skills. Focus on basic document, spreadsheet, and presentation skills.
- Exploring Careers and Entrepreneurship: Students learn business concepts such as economics, marketing, advertising, entrepreneurship, and the skills needed to be successful in the evolving world of business.
- Culture and Community Studies: Students will learn about their community of Alamance-Burlington and Altamahaw. Student will engage in local services and learn how to give back to the community.
- Self Awareness & Mental Health: Learn how to be self aware of your needs. Students will engage in yoga, stretching, and breathing exercises to help maintain a healthy mind and body.
- Leadership Skills: Expose students to basic leadership skills. This class integrates multiple life roles and responsibilities in school, family and community settings. Students may also help elementary classes which will give them exposure for future high school classes of Child Development and Teacher Cadet.
- Chorus: Explore the fundamentals of music through singing.
- Theatre Arts Special: Explore the fundamentals of acting and develop; through exercises and games; dramatic techniques in various genres of Theatre. Students will perform skits, scenes and plays.
- **Visual Arts:** Explore fundamentals in media, styles, and techniques, which lead to personal expression. This course provides exposure in areas such as drawing, painting, printmaking, ceramics and art history.
- Dance: Concentrate on movement fundamentals through the dance elements of time, space, and energy. The focus is to build an awareness of body movement and expression through dance technique, improvisation and a variety of dance genres. Explore elements of choreography and participate in mandatory performance opportunities.
- Guitar: Engage in the musical art of string instruments. Students will learn how to read music, play cords on the guitar, and explore their musical talents.
- Band: Students focus on wind or percussion instruments. Students will engage in practicing their
 instrument daily in class, completing practice assignments at home and at school, and preparing for school
 performances.
- Envirothon: Teams are tested in areas of Wildlife, Forestry, Aquatic Ecology, Soils, and Current
 Environmental Issues. Students develop critical thinking skills, cooperative problem-solving skills, and
 decision-making skills concerning the protection, management, and wise use of our natural resources.