



Middle School
Jterm 2027
Experiences

Welcome to Middle School Jterm 2027!

Our January term sessions increase opportunities for learning and exploration that challenge students in areas of interest and encourage deeper faculty-student relationships through enrichment electives, educational travel, service, and mission trips. Middle School Jterm takes place January 5, 6, and 7.

Over the past few years, we've seen the Lord's provision poured out in remarkable ways within the middle school. With record-breaking enrollment and continued growth, we've added new faculty, staff, and programming each year to better serve our students.

This year's Jterm will reflect that same spirit of growth and adaptation. As our student body expands, organizing large-scale, whole-class trips has become increasingly challenging to execute with the excellence we strive for—especially as we remain committed to educating and cultivating each student.

To that end, we're excited to introduce a new Jterm model that offers students greater choice in their experience. This includes a variety of options: on-campus activities, local outings, and domestic trips. We believe this flexible approach will not only better accommodate our diverse middle school community but also foster deeper engagement and enthusiasm for each activity.

For on campus activities, students will pick 4 classes to create a 4 period block day.

Middle School Jterm Overview

Registration Dates:

Jterm TRIP registration begins Wednesday, July 8th, 2026.

Local and All day Jterm registration begins Wednesday, October 7th, 2026.

Participation in Jterm 2027 (January 5, 6, 7) is an academic expectation for all middle school students. Students who are not registered for Jterm should not report to school and will receive unexcused absences for the week.

Grade 6 students must enroll for their grade-specific Jterm. Sixth graders will participate in three excursion days of enrichment activities, hands-on experiences, and meaningful service opportunities as a class.

Grade 7 and Grade 8

Students may choose from the following options:

- All-day class
- 4 Period Block - creating a full day experience
- Trip
- Student Independent Study (parent proposal required)
- Church Mission Trip 2026

As a family, we encourage you to review the course offerings and thoughtfully discuss which options would be most beneficial and financially feasible for your child. Detailed information, including costs for each opportunity, is provided in this document.

Important note: CVCA reserves the right to cancel classes that do not meet the minimum enrollment. Please make your Jterm selections carefully. **Registrations cannot be switched.**

Middle School Iterm Experiences Overview - Grades 7 & 8

Students in grades 7 & 8 choose: 4 Period Block day experience,
an All-day Local/On-campus session, a Trip experience, or a Flexible option

4 Period Block Day : Pick 4 of the following

Anne of Green Gables	iLab Experience
Creativity and Worship	Pickleball and Praise! (Girls Only)
Daughters of the King	Robotics
Discipleship and Sports	Legos
Games Galore	

ALL-DAY – Local/On-Campus Sessions
7:50 a.m. – 2:50 p.m. daily with a break for lunch

Art Quest
Community & Connection: Giving Back Together
Boyz II Men (Boys Only)

Trip Experiences (dates may vary)

A Monumental Trip: Washington D.C. (8th Grade)
Know, Grow, Go! (8th grade girls retreat)
Prepare to Believe (8th grade)

Flexible Options

Student Independent Study (Proposal and Approval Required)
Church Mission Trip Spring/Summer of 2026

7th and 8th grade Experiences

Local On-Campus

Students select **FOUR** of the options below, creating a daily experience for Jterm

Creativity and Worship

Leader: Mr. Z Churchill

Cost: \$30

Grades: 7

Creativity and worship gives students the opportunity to take in powerful worship and beautiful imagery from God's creation while working on a painting. All painting supplies will be provided and what is created during this Jterm can be submitted for the Individual Creative Project assigned in Bible 7. If you love worship music and enjoy being creative through painting, this Jterm experience should be both fun and meaningful for you!

Daughters of the King

Leader: Miss J Bowers

Cost: \$10

Grades: 7,8

Disney portrays princesses who find who they are through difficult circumstances, but this course will examine where we find our true, royal identity. In this course, we will view two Disney princess films and discuss how they either affirm or contradict our identities as daughters of the true King. Be prepared to examine these films through a critical lens but also be uplifted in the truth of our true identities in Christ.

Discipleship and Sports

Leader: Mr. P Chapman

Cost: \$15

Grades: 7,8

Students will learn about 3 different sports, their rules and how each game is played. Students will also learn about the character of Jesus and how to be an ambassador for Christ on and off the field of play. The sports that will be learned and played are basketball, soccer, and baseball (wiffleball). Students will be randomly divided into teams and a portion of our time will be devoted to playing these sports.

Anne of Green Gables

Leader: Mrs. J Davies, Mrs. L Spodnik

Cost: \$20

Grades: 7, 8

Come watch this classic movie and explore some of the significant passages and quotes. Fun snacks and English tea will be provided. Students will engage in conversations in a cozy environment.

Games Galore

Leader: Faculty Fellows

Cost: \$10

Grades: 7, 8

Games Galore offers a wide variety of board and card games. From fast-paced games to strategy-based classics, there's something for everyone to enjoy. Whether you're looking to spark friendly competition or just have fun with friends, these games are a great way to connect and create lasting memories.

iLab Experience

Leader: Mr. B Weber, Mr. N Su

Cost: \$30

Grades: 7,8

Have you been waiting for an opportunity to come to the iLAB? Now is your chance! We will offer training on lots of equipment in the lab, offering a variety of projects for students to choose from. Whether you want to make a t-shirt, 3D print, laser engrave or more, the iLAB is the place to be for J-term.

Pickleball and Praise!

Leader: Miss I Chaplin, Mrs. N Studer

Cost: \$10

Grades: 7 Girls

7th grade girls will engage in a small devotional time together at the start of each session. This will be followed by time spent on pickleball courts learning , playing, and competing! The initially sessions will be learning rules and practicing play. Then, there will be a competition (bracket style) on the last day!

Robotics

Leader: Mrs. M Oster

Cost: \$135

Grades: 7, 8

Robotics invites participants into the exciting world of battle bots, wiring and programming. Each student will receive and build their own mini combat robot. On the final day all students will compete against each other in various different robot competitions. The cost includes a t-shirt and a robot.

Legos

Leader: Miss B Jones

Cost: \$10

Grades: 7, 8

Whether you are a Master Builder or a Novice Builder, you are invited to a Lego Master J Term with Miss Jones! During this three day event, we will learn skills, practice building techniques, and simply enjoy creating. I will have Lego bricks you can use, but feel free to bring your own!

All Day

Students meet on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (January 5, 6, 7) from 7:50 am - 2:50 pm

6th Grade JTerm

**Leader: Miss J Barbieri, Mr. C Canonico, Mr. S McDowell, Mrs. K Shelford, Mrs. T Smith,
Mrs. T Willson**

Cost: \$70

Our 6th graders will enjoy three day-trips together that include a combination of fun, fellowship, service, and educational enrichment.

Art Quest

Leader: Mr. D Bee, Mrs. Ki Brown

Cost: \$35

Grades: 7, 8

Do you love to look at art? Do you love to study the past, present, and future of artmaking? Join Mr. Bee and Mrs. Brown for 3 days at 3 different art museums: The Cleveland Museum of Art, The Akron Art Museum, and the Canton Museum of Art. Together, we will explore various art movements, periods, and artists throughout history and the present to see how humanity's Image-bearing and God-given gift of creativity has changed throughout the world. In this JTerm course, students will have the opportunity to roam the museums, participate in tours and workshops, and spend some time on their own creative projects. See you at the museum!

Community & Connection: Giving Back Together

Leader: Mrs. N Kautzman, Mrs. B Rissmiller

Cost: \$95

Grades: 7, 8

Join us for a meaningful and fun-filled week as we spend three days giving back through local service projects that make a real impact in our community. Together, we'll work hard, build friendships, and learn the value of teamwork and compassion. To celebrate our efforts, we'll wrap up the week at an indoor adventure park. Come ready to serve, connect, and have fun!

Boyz II Men

Leader: Mr. Z Davis, Mr. D Reed

Cost: \$135

Grades: 7, 8 Boys

This Jterm will focus on what it means to be a man after God's heart. We will have guest speakers, serve in our neighborhood and spend quality time with each other and the Lord.

Trips

A Monumental Trip: Washington D.C.

Leader: Mrs. S Sondej, Mrs. Ke Brown, Mr. J Knab

Cost: \$360

Grades: 8 only

Trip dates: January 5-7

This 8th Grade Jterm trip offers students an immersive journey through American history and government during a three-day excursion to Washington, D.C. Starting on Tuesday, the group visits the National Archives to view the nation's founding documents before exploring the iconic Monuments and Memorials at night. Wednesday focuses on the "Halls of Power" with tours of the White House, the U.S. Capitol and the Smithsonian, while Thursday concludes with a somber and respectful visit to Arlington National Cemetery for the Changing of the Guard.

Know, Grow, Go!

Leader: Mrs. E Hoffman

Cost: \$260

Grades: 8 (Girls Only)

Trip dates: January 5-7

We'll enjoy a 2-night stay at the beautiful Inn at Brandywine Falls while we get to KNOW each other, GROW in our relationship with Jesus, and GO out to serve together! Highlights include: a day trip to Kalahari, enjoying time at a local coffee shop, encouraging residents at an assisted living facility, cooking together, fun times of fellowship, nature walks, and diving into questions that help us discover who we are in Christ and how to enjoy His presence in 2027!

Prepare to Believe

Leader: Miss S Telepak, Mr. M Boardwine

Cost: \$690 (plus \$69 insurance)

Grades: 8 only

Trip dates: January 5-7

Embark on a 3-day journey of faith, learning, and community as you explore the National Air Force Museum, the Ark Encounter, and the Creation Museum. Experience biblical history brought to life through immersive exhibits, interactive activities, and meaningful group devotions each day. Enjoy time with friends through shared meals, hotel stays, and opportunities to relax and connect. This trip offers a unique blend of education, spiritual growth, and unforgettable memories.

Jterm Mission Trip Exemption – ALL

Grades: 6, 7, 8

In order to incentivize and reinforce the value of mission trips, we added an exemption opportunity for students who qualify this year. If a student qualifies for the exemption, they do not have to report to CVCA's Jterm week. In order to qualify, a student has to verify that they went on a mission trip with a local church or organization in the Spring / Summer of 2026.

- Church Mission Trip 2026 - download [Mission Trip Verification Form](#)