



Lawton Chiles Middle School (LCMS)

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An "A" Rated School District

A Word From Our Principal

At Lawton Chiles, we are focused on developing lifelong learners able to compete on a global scale through self-directed learning, critical thinking, creative expression, and inquiry-based study. This school report outlines the key characteristics of our school from both an academic and non-academic perspective. I hope it helps you understand what makes Chiles unique. Please reach out to us if you have any questions about our school.

Dr. Melissa Laudani

What Makes Us Special

- Our Think & Design program is focused on AgriScience and Technology, develops problem-solving and 21st century skills, and exposes students to real-world experiences.
- Students in Think & Design maintain our campus garden, learn robotics, & drones & explore career opportunities in Agriculture, Design, & Tech. This program feeds into programs at Hagerty & Oviedo HS.
- Lawton Chiles Middle School is proud to be the home of superior-rated Band, Chorus, and Theater programs.

Advanced Academics

2021-2022 Data

29% of Chiles students have participated in high school math courses for credit.

Chiles offers the following high school courses for high school credit: Spanish 1, Algebra 1 Honors, Geometry Honors, Ecology

Technology and the Future



All middle school students are provided opportunities to earn either a digital tool or industry certification through the completion of the following courses:

- **iJourney:** Students discover educational pathways offered in SCPS and develop a personalized career plan.
- **iChallenge:** This coding and game-based course prepares students to take AP Computer Science Principles in high school. (Semester or year-long options vary by school)
- **iConnect:** Students discover new possibilities and learn about technology applications and communication techniques.

Student Achievement

2021-2022 Data

- All students in 8th grade at Chiles Middle School have an opportunity to take the PSAT 8/9 at no cost.
- Last year, Chiles 8th graders had an average score of 911 out of 1440, higher than the Florida average of 810.

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Lawton Chiles Middle School earned an A grade from the Florida DOE in 2022.

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- LCMS students earned a total of 1729 digital tool certifications in the 2020-2021 school year.
- Lawton Chiles athletes have won multiple district championships at the Junior Varsity and Varsity level.
- In 2019 students achieved a mean score of 911 on the PSAT, scoring above state average of 809.
- LCMS is focused on building positive relationships with students and has been recognized as a Bronze Level PBIS school.
- Club offerings include: BETA Club, SECME, GSA, Junior Optimist, PBS Voice Out, FFEA, and more.
- Lawton Chiles MS students can participate in PIT (Peer Inclusion Team) Crew featured on Channel 6 (see Students page).

Future High School Pathways for Our Students



Hagerty: 74%



Oviedo: 26%



For additional pathways see [Student Assignment and Program Access](#)

School Health and Safety

The health, safety and security of staff and students is our top priority. We follow CDC COVID mitigation strategies and work closely with local, state, and federal agencies to ensure a sanitized and safe environment for your child's learning. Our School Resource Officer is Ashley Pierce with the Oviedo Police Department.



The SpeakOut program provides three 24-hour monitored services that allows students, parents, or community members to anonymously report concerns. www.speakouthotline.org

70% of student respondents would recommend LCMS



89% of parent respondents would recommend LCMS



Here's what students and parents say they like about Chiles:

" All the teacher and staff are so helpful. I love coming to this school every weekday! It is a great experience that I love. I like everything. "

6th Grade Student

" I like the teachers and how this is a safe learning environment. "

7th Grade Student

" I like how all of the teachers and student are encouraging and help each other learn. I like the positivity that everyone has. I also like how clean and nice my school is. "

7th Grade Student

" I really like how friendly and caring everyone is. I'm a new student here, yet it doesn't feel like I'm new. Everyone welcomed me since I first stepped in. The teachers are so sweet and are willing to take their time to explain something over again until you understand. "

8th Grade Student

" The teachers are very communicative and supportive of the students. The syllabus and curriculum are easy to understand and follow to keep your student up to date. "

6th Grade Parent

" Strong academic focus. Amazing teacher. Instruction and electives focused on technology. Ability to take classes for high school credit. "

7th Grade Parent

" Quality education and dedicated teachers and staff working hard everyday to give students a wholesome educational experience. "

8th Grade Parent

" The staff is very invested in the students and I feel they really care about their well-being. Also, there are many clubs and activities for the students to get involved with the school. "

8th Grade Parent