

Middle School – Introducing Future Ready

Middle school marks a critical next step in One World’s scaffolded **Future Ready** pathway. Building on the strong foundation in **Global Competence** established in elementary school, students in grades 6–8 are introduced to all three core Future Ready competencies: **Global Competence, Financial Readiness, and Technology/AI Awareness**.



Middle school is the ideal time to deepen students’ exposure to 21st-century skills. One World recommends implementing our program through one of two primary pathways: a **robust after-school club** or a **sequenced, year-long elective course**. Both options are fully anchored in our comprehensive, scaffolded Future Ready curriculum, ensuring that students continue to grow as **purposeful, responsible global citizens equipped to thrive, lead, and take action in a world of exponential technological change**.

Middle School Strategy: Launch the Full Future Ready Program

Building on the foundations introduced in elementary school, we recommend schools implement the Future Ready program by choosing the model that best fits their structure and student needs:

Our After-School Club Model: A flexible option that reinforces future-ready competencies through themed clubs aligned to each core skill area. These clubs deepen engagement, build leadership, and foster student agency.

Club Offerings



One World Youth & Environmental Club (*Global Competence*)

Students connect across cultures, engage in virtual exchange, and lead environmental projects that promote sustainability and global awareness.

Stock Market Club (*Financial Readiness*)

Students explore budgeting, saving, and investing while managing virtual portfolios and learning real-world financial concepts.

Tech/AI Club (*Tech & AI Awareness*)

Students gain hands-on experience with emerging technologies, AI tools, and digital responsibility while nurturing their innovation skills.

Entrepreneurs Club (*Financial + Tech Skills*)

Students bring ideas to life by developing business plans, pitching creative solutions, and blending entrepreneurship with tech fluency.

Citizenship & Service Club (*21st Century Citizenship*)

Students strengthen their civic voice through service learning, ethical decision-making, and active engagement in their communities.

Humanity 2050 (*Future-Focused Challenges*)

Students work in teams to address real-world global challenges, exploring bold ideas and creating a roadmap for a more abundant, sustainable future.

Year-long Elective Model: Over the last three years, we have successfully introduced a year-long, future-ready elective that meets 1–2 hours per week.

This year-long class progressively integrates each of the three future-ready competencies necessary for success in our 21st Century world - Global Competence, Financial Readiness, and Tech/AI Awareness. This elective can be offered at any Middle School grade level or to all three grade levels on a scaffolded basis.

Once you decide to move forward with this elective, the One World team will meet with your school leadership to plan the full year of classes to be delivered. Here is a sample of the kinds of lessons that could be delivered over the course of each year: [Year-Long Elective Model](#)

Customizing our Middle School Program to Meet Your Goals

Again, while we believe the challenges facing educators relative to preparing their students for 21st Century challenges and opportunities are similar, we also understand that it is important that we customize our various Middle School Future Ready product offerings to meet your specific needs and goals.



To that end, we have pulled together this curriculum map that we will review with you to see how best we can accommodate our programs to fit your needs. You can also use this map to begin to think about the classes you would like to include in your year-long elective program if you decide to move forward in that way: [Middle School Future Ready Curriculum Map](#)

We are also including here a sample of the book we use for a recent year-long Middle School class for your review: [ENYMSE 6th Grade \(2024-2025\)](#)

One World is here to support your school in delivering a comprehensive, coherent middle school program that prepares students for college, career, and life. Please also ask us about the capstone projects and life planning we recommend for Middle School students.