



***Our mission in the Beyond program is to provide a multifaceted, authentic, self-paced, high quality learning experience to prepare students for college and career.***

BEYOND in Seven Springs Middle School provides a program that expands your education through student-driven instruction, face-to-face instruction, and cutting-edge technology. Beyond’s blended learning combines Pasco teacher-facilitated eSchool curriculum with face-to-face instruction. Students are allowed to work at their own pace or accelerate their own learning.

Students learn Language Arts, Math, and Social Studies content standards in a blended environment by creating and utilizing live instruction with online lessons. The highly qualified teachers implement one-on-one, mini-lessons, interactive projects, and labs in each content area. All Beyond students will enroll in their choice of elective classes and will blend with other students throughout the day. Students in the Beyond Program will be assigned a MacBook Pro laptop computer to use while they are in the classroom. For a small insurance fee, they can also take it home to continue their classroom work and to take their learning **BEYOND** the regular classroom!

Students who are independent, driven, and eager to succeed will thrive in our environment!

Student Name: _____		Current Grade: ____	Student ID#: _____
Gender: _____ Male _____ Female		D.O.B.: _____	Age: _____
Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Address: _____ _____ <i>(Please remember to include apartment number)</i>		Contact Information: Home Phone #: _____ Cell #: _____ Work #: _____ Parent/Guardian email address: _____ _____ Student email address: _____	
Will your child be able to bring his/her own Mac laptop to SSMS – Beyond? _____ Yes _____ No <i>(Not required for admission into SSMS-Beyond)</i>			
Does the student require services from a special program? _____ Yes _____ No If “yes”, please check: ____ ESE ____ ESOL ____ Gifted ____ 504 ____ Other			FSA Scores: Reading: _____ Math: _____ <i>(School completes this box)</i>

## SSMS - Beyond Expectations

To be successful, we encourage open communication. This educational program requires parental involvement. One monthly parent/teacher contact is suggested. Parents must have a working email address that is checked regularly, as most of our communication is via email.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial your acknowledgement).

One of our goals is to have students master content at their own pace while maintaining a minimum of a “C” average in each course. This means they can choose what they work on; however, students are expected to complete course work according to a pacing guide. Students who are unsuccessful may be returned to the traditional classroom.

\_\_\_\_\_ (Please initial your acknowledgement).

Students are expected to follow Pasco County School Board and SSMS policies in regards to appropriate use of technology. Students violating these policies can be removed from SSMS – Beyond. All electronic devices used in the classroom are subject to monitoring and/or inspection by the teacher at all times for student safety. Additionally, students are responsible for the safety and use of their electronic devices. SSMS – Beyond is not responsible for any loss/damage to a student’s personal electronic device.

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SSMS-Beyond is a free educational program. However, if a student would like to take his or her computer home, there is an insurance fee required to cover the computer. The insurance policy costs approximately \$35.00. All families who are using school-owned MacBook Pro Computers must also purchase a protective case for their computer; this can be done independently, or through SSMS for \$15.00.

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Parents, please tell us why the SSMS-Beyond Program is the best option for your child to be successful. If extra room is needed, you may type and attach your comments.

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Students, what motivates you to do your best in school?

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The Beyond Program requires a significant amount of independent reading and note-taking to be successful.

A) Do you feel comfortable with learning in this way?

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B) Please explain at least two strategies you will use to handle this type of learning format.

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What do you do when you can't find the answer to a problem?

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What are three strategies you can use to keep yourself organized?

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