

Middle School

ProTeam: A course designed specifically for you to actively engage in projects to build leadership and character. If you are thinking of becoming a teacher, this class will give you hands-on experiences and insights into the profession.

Clubs: Connect with your school and community through shared interests, taking on leadership roles, developing team relationships, and having the opportunity to dive into an interest, whether as a club leader or a member.

Teacher Assistant: Have you been thinking about becoming a teacher? This may be the perfect place to start by assisting a teacher with a few tasks in and out of the classroom. Get a sneak peek of the responsibilities of teachers.

Extra-curricular Activities: An extracurricular activity can be almost anything that isn't required for school credit or paid employment that you do while you're in school. These activities will become very important later, such as when you are applying to colleges, because they help you develop your talents, interests, and passions.

CPR Training: Because keeping students safe is everyone's job, the American Red Cross created CPR programs for schools that allow educators, administrators, and other staff members to become instructors who can deliver training to you, as a student. This way, you can offer help when it's needed most. <u>redcross.org</u>

Youth Leadership Training: Service-learning and leadership training helps you develop a deep understanding of service, combined with leadership skill building. Check out the following website: <u>multiplyinggood.org</u>

"My Route" Videos: Listen to stories of how others found their passion for teaching through diverse pathways toward an education degree.

Babysitting Certification: Earn your babysitting certification from the American Red Cross. Whether you're just starting out or you've cared for your siblings for years, this is a great way to start earning money or even build a business. By allowing you to demonstrate your skills to the families seeking your help, a Red Cross Advanced Child Care certification or Babysitting certification shows parents that you take your job seriously. <u>ed.sc.gov</u>; <u>redcross.org</u>

Online Courses: Explore the opportunities for you to earn high school credit through online courses that may lead you in the direction of teaching. Visit the Family and Community page on the South Carolina Department of Education's website for more information. <u>ed.sc.gov</u>





