

COURSE SELECTION INSTRUCTIONS
For Current Grades 8 Class of 2023
2019-2020

COURSE REQUESTS:

- The portal will be open from February 8th to March 1st. Once the portal closes, students will need to see their counselors to make any changes.
- Grade 8 students will be making their requests online with their middle school counselor and a high school counselor representative.
- If a student fails to complete online requests by the time the portal closes, counselors will fill in electives. Students will not have the opportunity to change these selections.
- Recommendations will be visible in **BOLD** print and will show at the beginning of the department section. If you are missing a recommendation, please speak with your teacher. (Teachers will be entering their recommendations, this started in December.)
- Students are preselected to take Physical Education; you will not need to enter it. Nor will you need to enter study halls.
- Students will need to complete the minimum credit requirements in order to click submit. If you are having trouble choosing classes or logging in, please see your counselor.

OVERRIDES:

- If you would like to take a class but you do not see a recommendation for it and cannot choose the class in PowerSchool, please see your counselor for the 'Level Placement/Recommendation Override Form' (sample form attached). ***Please understand that one needs a 93% in an academic level class to be recommended for a accelerated class and an 83% in their current accelerated class to continue in accelerated.***
- Overrides are for students who wish to take a core class that is different from what has been recommended. The student still needs to select on-line what has been recommended and then submit the form to their counselor in order to process the request. ***This form needs to be signed by a parent, administrator, teacher and counselor.***

- If a student wants to take a core class (example: History) but doesn't have a teacher from that department this semester, they need to use the 'Level Placement/Override Recommendation Form' to submit their request.

REQUESTING ALTERNATES:

- Add alternates to your requests!** This is important because if students are unable to get into a class, the computer will look to schedule the alternate course requests.
- Do not request a course as an alternate if you have requested it as a first choice.



GRADE 9/COURSE ELECTION 2019-2020
STUDENT/PARENT WORKSHEET

NAME: _____

ENGLISH

	Drama 1	0.5
	Drama 2	0.5

FAMILY & CONSUMER SCIENCE

	Child, Family and Community	.5
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MUSIC

	Band	1
	Concert Choir	1
	Music Theory 1	.5
	Music Theory 2	.5
	Music History	.5
	Piano	.5
	Guitar (Acoustic)	.5
	Music Technology	.5

ART

	Draw and Paint 1	0.5
	Draw and Paint 2	0.5
	Sculpture 1	0.5
	Sculpture 2	0.5
	Printmaking 1	0.5
	Pottery 1	0.5
	Pottery 2	0.5
	Fiber	0.5
	Design 1	0.5

WORLD LANGUAGE

	French 1 Accelerated	1
	French 1 Academic	1
	Italian 1 Accelerated	1
	Italian 1 Academic	1
	Spanish 1 Accelerated	1
	Spanish 1 Academic	1
	Spanish 2 Accelerated	1
	Spanish 2 Academic	1
	Latin 1 Accelerated	1

TECHNOLOGY

PE/HEALTH

	Physical Education*	.5
	Health	.25

*Required

BUSINESS

	Intro to Marketing	0.5
	Info Processing 1	0.5
	Info Processing 2	0.5
	Personal Finance	0.5
	Small Business Ownership	0.5
	Sports Marketing and Management (Intro to Marketing is a pre-req)	0.5
	Learn to Lead	.25
	Personal Career Planning	.25

	Intro to CAD	.5
	Automation and Robotics	.5
	Tools and Materials	.5
	Transportation Tech	.5
	Energy and Power Tech	.5
	Communication Technology	.5
	Construction Technology	.5
	Construction Applications (Construction Tech - pre-req)	.5
	Architectural Concepts	.5
	CAD and Solid Modeling (Intro to CAD - Pre-req)	
	Video Production Techniques	.5
	TV Production (Video Production Techniques - pre-req)	.5

**All Core classes (English, Math, Science and History) will be determined by assessment data and teacher recommendations. Letters with selected core courses will be mailed home.

***ALL students should select a minimum of 2 credits of electives (this included a World Language, if interested in your 9th grade year – please note that a credit in a world language will be required before you graduate high school). An additional 1 credit of alternate electives should be chosen.

Place an X = desired elective and an A=desired alternate

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Sample

Course Selection Parental Override Agreement

After giving much consideration to next year's course level recommendations made by my child's teacher and/or district data, a recommendation based on a combination of specific numeric parameters and classroom performance, I am requesting that an override be made from:

_____ to _____
(Teacher Recommended Course and/or Level) (Parent Request Override Course and/or Level)

Please provide a written explanation below as to why you are requesting this override. Feel free to include information about test scores, work ethic, previous academic performance, etc.

Please understand that this OVERRIDE places the responsibility of course selection on you as the parent/guardian, who is choosing not to follow the recommendation of the professional instructional staff. The results of this request are the following:

*****Space permitting, your student will be placed in the course you have requested.**

As the parent/guardian of _____, I am choosing to OVERRIDE the professional course recommendation of my student's teacher and request that my student be placed in _____.

I understand that my signature below OVERRIDES the professional judgement and numeric requirements for course selection, and that my student will remain in this specific course for its entire duration.

I have read the above information and I am aware of the increased academic responsibilities of this request.

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Administration Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Please return this form to your school counselor.