

2019-2020 Middle School Registration Presentation

February 7, 2019

Dates to Remember- February

- Feb. 7 Academic Program Guide online & math honors applications e-mailed to students from Mr. Tiffany
 - Families review these together
- Feb. 13- Honors Applications due
 - Ongoing- students and parents direct questions about course selection to Mrs. Semsch
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Dates to Remember- March

- Week of Mar. 4: computer lab registration with Mrs. Semsch
 - 5th grade = tech. class
 - 6th & 7th grade = PACE lessons
- Mar. 7-Mar. 11- Students and Parents Review selections at home together via NetClassroom
- Mar. 8- help session in computer lab after school
- Mar. 12- Online registration window closes, 8:30 A.M.

Academic Program Guides

- Academic policies & procedures (including course change)
- Course descriptions
 - Prerequisites & grade levels included
- Info. on how to access NetClassroom for registration instructions

Online Registration

- In the computer lab with Mrs. Semsch the week of March 4.
- Login as **STUDENT (yourself)** to NetClassroom
 - Instructions under “Additional Links”
- Students will not request math (auto enrollment) or other core requirements.
- Request Language (current 7th grade) & elective (current 5th-7th)
- Request Fine Art and White Period Electives
 - FIRST choice only
- Click Submit
- Credit count = irrelevant for MS students (this matters in Upper School)
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Student/Parent Review of Courses in NetClassroom

- Login again to NetClassroom, still as the student
- Student shows parent course requests
- Parents agree = no further action needed
- Parents and students decide together to change something = change the selections in NetC up until the registration deadline, March 12th.

Accounts on Hold

- If NetClassroom is on hold, notification when you attempt to log in.
 - Business Office Hold- your parents need to contact Mrs. Determan in the business office before you can request courses.
 - E-mail Mrs. Semsch your course selections so that when the hold is fixed, your selections can be put into the computer system.



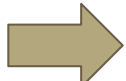
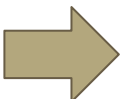
Course Offerings- Electives

- Full-Year Electives (4x per week): Concert Band, Chorus, Speech & Drama, String Ensemble, Music Appreciation & 2D-Art
- Semester Electives (2x per week): Study Hall, Athletics, Film Studies (all for 6-8), Woodshop (7-8)
- See Academic Program Guide for grade level requirements and prerequisites

Course Offerings- Math

- You will be auto-enrolled in a math course, the next in the sequence.
- Honors offerings and process explained on the following slides.

Math Course Sequence

- Investigations in Math I  Investigations in Math II
- Investigations in Math II  Pre-Algebra
- Pre-Algebra  Algebra I
- Algebra I  Geometry

Honors Level Courses are offered at the Inv. II, Pre-Alg., Alg. I, and Geo., levels, pending meeting prerequisites and honors application approval

Our “Regular” (non-honors) courses are referred to as “College Prep,” because all PA classes offered at each grade level adequately prepare students for a variety of college options after high school.

6th Grade Math Placement

- Committee of teachers, principals, and counselor look at:
 - Current (5th grade) math performance (level & grades)
 - ERB CTP 5 Scores
 - Placement test score (taken in late spring)
 - Feedback/input from teachers about students' math work habits, interest, and study skills
- Communicated to families via letter in June

Regular Math (College-Prep) Regular Math (College-Prep)

- For those entering 7th & 8th grade
- No need to apply for anything
- Automatic Enrollment in the next course in the sequence
- Prerequisite = 70% or better in the current math course

Honors Math Regular Math (College-Prep)

- For those entering 7th & 8th grade
- Need to complete intent form that will be e-mailed from Mr. Tiffany on/near Feb. 7, 2019, indicating choice not to proceed with next honors course
- Must be completed by February 13, 2019
- Prerequisite: 70% or better to proceed to the next non-honors course in the sequence
- If Honors course grade year average is below 83%, this part is done for you.

Honors Math



Honors Math

- For those entering 7th & 8th grade
- Need to complete intent form that will be e-mailed from Mr. Tiffany on/near Feb. 7, 2019 indicating choice to proceed with next honors course
- Must be completed by February 13, 2019
 - If not eligible to proceed with honors at this time, may apply in late May. Stay tuned for that information toward the end of semester II.
- Prerequisite = 83% or better in current honors course

Regular (College-Prep) Math



Honors Math

- For those entering 7th & 8th grade
- Fill out Honors Application
 - e-mailed from Mr. Tiffany on/near Feb. 7, 2019
- Application due February 13, 2019
 - If not eligible to apply for honors at this time, may apply in late May. Stay tuned for that information toward the end of semester II.
- Prerequisite = 93% or better in non-honors course, approval of department chair
- Teacher advice to apply is *not* a guarantee of approval
- Will be notified of approval or denial via e-mail by the time registration for courses opens

In the future...

- In Upper School, there will be honors level courses in *many* subject areas—stay informed on what the offerings are, and the procedures for applying.
- You can change year-to-year whether or not you are in honors courses (math in MS and others in US), you are not “stuck in a lane” for the rest of your education.

Language Choice for current 7th graders entering 8th grade

- French I, Latin I, Latin II, Spanish I
- Deferral/waiver
- PA's general recommendation is to take a language in 8th grade.

What happens next?

- Requests are used for staffing and master schedule creation (ongoing)
- Course requests remain available for viewing online this spring
 - Parent approval assumed, parents can contact Mrs. Semsch with changes if necessary.

What happens next (cont'd)

- Course repeats are communicated to counselor/Academic Director (math & language)
- Course change requests: up to 2nd day of school next year
- \$50 fee!
 - Discouraged!