



## 2020-2021 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Course Selection Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Student ID: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Male or Female \_\_\_\_\_

Directions:

- For each subject, please check one class level.
- All 8<sup>th</sup> graders must take ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS & READING, MATH, SCIENCE, US HISTORY, ADVISORY, and THREE ELECTIVES.
- A parent's signature is required for placement in any Pre-AP course and/or GT Advanced Humanities.
- GT/Advanced Humanities courses require prior approval.
- Based on previous year's performance, a student may be scheduled into an additional Reading or Math class in lieu of an elective.

**ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS & READING:**

\_\_\_\_\_ 408021 ELAR 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 408011 Pre-AP ELAR 8\*

\_\_\_\_\_ 408012 GT/Advanced Humanities ELAR 8\*

(This must be taken with GT/Adv Hum US History 8)

**PARENT APPROVAL\***

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**MATH:**

\_\_\_\_\_ 408061 Math 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 408053 Pre-AP Math 8\*

\_\_\_\_\_ 1251 Pre-AP Algebra 1\*

(Placement into Pre-AP Algebra is determined by a screening exam)

**PARENT APPROVAL\***

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**SCIENCE:**

\_\_\_\_\_ 408081 Science 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 408071 Pre-AP Science 8\*

**PARENT APPROVAL\***

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**UNITED STATES HISTORY:**

\_\_\_\_\_ 408091 US History 8

\_\_\_\_\_ 408092 Pre-AP US History 8\*

\_\_\_\_\_ 408093 GT/Advanced Humanities US History 8

(This must be taken with GT/Adv Hum ELAR 8)

**PARENT APPROVAL\***

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**ADVISORY:**

\_\_\_\_\_ 408901 Advisory 8

**CRITERIA FOR PRE-ADVANCED ACADEMICS:**

\*Commitment to extra time for Pre-AP daily and homework course assignments is required

\*Current teacher advisement is strongly recommended

\*Successful completion of previous courses with an average of 85 or above

\*'Meets Grade Level' or 'Masters Grade Level' on STAAR Exam

\*Students must be recommended to take the GT Humanities Courses, which are taught with high rigor, require above-level reading and writing, extra time, individual and collaborative projects, and creative, critical, and analytical thinking.

**ELECTIVE CHOICES:** Please choose a total of **4 Elective Courses** and rank them in order of your 1st, 2nd, 3rd, & 4th choices.  
 Please understand that if your 1<sup>st</sup> choice is full or if there is a conflict, you will be placed in your next available choice.  
 Priority is given to those who return the form completed and **signed** by the expected date.

**ELECTIVE COURSES:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 409381 BAND -Director placement (See Middle School Course Description Handbook for fee information.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408401 Girls CHOIR -Director placement (See Middle School Course Description Handbook for fee information.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408411 Boys CHOIR -Director placement (See Middle School Course Description Handbook for fee information.)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408131 THEATRE ARTS 8
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408181 JOURNALISM/YEARBOOK (Application required)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408191 AVID (Application required)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408513 OFFICE AIDE/LIBRARY AIDE/TEACHER AIDE (Application required)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 408112 TECHNOLOGY APPLICATIONS

**ELECTIVE COURSES THAT EARN HIGH SCHOOL CREDIT:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1563/1564 AP SPANISH (Native Speakers only) -2 High School LOTE Credits
- \_\_\_\_\_ 1510 SPANISH 1 -1 High School LOTE Credit
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5551 Principles of Applied Engineering -1 High School CTE Credit
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5371 Principles of Human Services -1 High School CTE Credit
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2010/2015 ART 1/PRE-AP ART 1 -1 High School Fine Arts Credit (Teacher Placement into Pre-AP Art 1)

**PE/ATHLETICS ELECTIVE COURSES: (INCLUDE in your ranking order of 1-4)**

**IF** you are choosing **Athletics**, please include it in your 1-4 rank but realize that you can only take 1 Athletic or PE class.  
 Criteria for **Athletics** is listed below. A parent signature indicates understanding the requirements  
 If you have taken a PE course in 7<sup>th</sup> grade, you are **NOT** required to take a PE/Athletic course in 8<sup>th</sup> grade

		<b>PARENT APPROVAL*</b>
_____ 408201	BOYS ATHLETICS* (Football, Basketball, Cross Country, Track)	_____
_____ 408211	GIRLS ATHLETICS* (Volleyball, Basketball, Cross Country, Track)	_____
_____ 409981	PARTNERS IN P.E. (Application Required)	
_____ 409201	BOYS P.E.	
_____ 409211	GIRLS P.E.	
_____ 408261	BOYS/GIRLS SOCCER*	_____
_____ 408171	DANCE**	_____
_____ 409261	GOLF** (Try-Out Required)	_____
_____ 409241	BOYS/GIRLS GYMNASTICS** (Try-Out Required)	_____
_____ 409231	TENNIS* (Try-Out Required)	_____

**CRITERIA FOR ATHLETICS:**

- \*Practice is held after school until 5:00 p.m. - no transportation is provided by the campuses.
- \*Current medical physical is required and athletes must adhere to the district's drug testing policy. See Course Description Guide for fees.
- \*No pass, No play Policy is enforced. Student must have passing grades every 6 weeks to be eligible to play.
- \*Athletics is a year-long course. Once enrolled, there will be no changes in or out of athletic courses.

**ADDITIONAL CRITERIA FOR DANCE, GYMNASTICS, AND GOLF\*\*:**

- \*\*Parents must provide transportation to Boswell, Chisholm Trail, or Saginaw High School to morning practices.
- \*\*Buses will transport students to their middle school campuses after morning practice.

**Please review your selections carefully. Sign, date, and return this completed form to your advisory teacher.** If your form is not received, a schedule will be created for you. If you have any questions, please contact your campus Counselor.

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**Student Signature** **Parent Signature** **Date**