

Course Selection Information



2021-2022

Required Courses

- ★ Language Arts (7th, 8th)
- ★ Math
- ★ Science
- ★ World Geography (7th) or US History (8th)
- ★ Physical Education (semester equivalent)



7th grade schedule

Advisory

1. Core
2. Core
3. Core
4. Core
5. Core
6. Core



Lunch

7. PhyEd and _____
8. _____ and _____

8th grade schedule

Advisory

1. Core
2. Core
3. Core
4. Core
5. Core

Lunch

6. PhyEd and _____
7. _____ and _____
8. _____ and _____

Integrated Math

Placement Guidelines

Students are considered for placement in Integrated Math using the following criteria:

- MAP Winter Score: 243 RIT score or higher and Spring Score: 245 RIT score or higher
- Consider the Algebraic Thinking and Real and Complex Number Systems strands
- Performance data—District common assessments, formative assessments, performance tasks, etc. should be consistently in the proficient range.
- Anecdotal data (observations, notes, etc. are discussion points that can be used to affirm or contradict assessment data while determining the readiness level for each student)

8th Grade Biology



What Is It?

- *High School course where you can earn credit for graduation
- *Allows you to take more AP science classes in High School
- *Taught at the same level as high school with the same rubrics, expectations, exams, etc
- *NOT just an “honors” class; this is meant for very serious science students

Who Should Take It?

- *8th graders in Integrated Math or Geometry
- *Students who LOVE science and want a career in the field
- *Students who are consistently advanced in science learning targets



Physical Education

- ★ All Students are required to take Physical Education in both 7th and 8th grade
- ★ Students may choose between Physical Education 7/8 and Lifetime Wellness to fulfill this requirement
- ★ If a student would like to have Physical Education daily, they may take both Physical Education 7/8 AND Lifetime Wellness

MUSIC

- ★ Band (Must play an instrument already)
- ★ Choir
- ★ Orchestra (Must play an instrument already)



Music courses meet all year long

- 7th grade meets every other day (semester equivalent)
- 8th grade meets daily (two semester equivalent)

World Languages

- Global Perspectives (semester)

7th grade choices:

- ★ Spanish I
- ★ French I
 - These are daily, year long courses
 - 2 semester equivalent

8th grade choices:

- All daily, year long courses
- 2 semester equivalent
- ★ Spanish I
- ★ French I

- ★ Spanish II
- ★ French II
- ★ Pre-AP Spanish (DUAL)
 - Teacher recommendation is required for these higher level language courses

- ★ These are high school level language courses for which students will receive a high school credit upon successful completion

Semester Equivalent Elective Areas

- Art
- Business Education
- Family and Consumer Education
- Information Technology
- Technology Education



- These course are equivalent to one semester and may be offered daily or every other day depending on scheduling needs
- <https://sdw.waukesha.k12.wi.us/Page/185> (MS Course Selection Guide = course descriptions)

ART

- ★ Art Metal/Jewelry
- ★ Ceramics and Sculpture
- ★ Drawing and Painting



FAMILY AND CONSUMER EDUCATION

- ★ REALife
- ★ Cook, Eat, Live
- ★ The Art and Science of Food



INFORMATION TECHNOLOGIES

★ Intro to Computer Science



BUSINESS EDUCATION

★ Shark Tank Biz

★ BizTech



TECHNOLOGY EDUCATION

- ★ Invention and Innovation
- ★ Technology Mechanisms



OTHER SEMESTER EQUIVALENT OPTIONS

★ Learning Center



Things to consider when choosing:

- ★ Interests
- ★ Likes
- ★ Strengths
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Course Descriptions are available on the Horning and Waukesha School District Website!

Interventions/Skills Center

- Staff will look at both Forward, MAP and classroom performance data to determine if an intervention in Math or Reading would be appropriate for a student.
- Interventions take place at the Tier 2 (classroom) or Tier 3 (pull out) levels.
- This may replace an elective choice.



Optional: Question and Answer Session

HMS Site Council Meeting

Thursday, January 14, 2021

5:30 to 6:00 p.m. (current 6th & 7th grade families)

6:00 to 6:30 p.m. (current 8th grade students)



Please email jaylsworth@waukesha.k12.wi.us to RSVP.

