



River Ridge Middle School

Welcome 8th graders!

2017- 18 Course Registration Information

Welcome to the 2017-18 school year! The information below is for students and parents to provide input for student schedules. Students will use this information to choose their elective courses.

Middle School Promotion Requirements

Middle school students are required to successfully complete three years of language arts, mathematics, science, and social studies, as well as a course in career and education planning in order to be promoted to grade 9 [F.S. 1003.4156].

Advanced Coursework:

- Courses will be rigorous and may require significant projects, writing assignments and work outside of class time.
- Placement is determined by past student performance. Criteria will include previous Level 4 or 5 on FSA Reading and/or Math, A average, high achievement on district quarterly checks and advance placement test as well as teacher recommendation. Notification of course placement and summer assignments will be made in early summer.
- Schedule changes will not be possible once enrolled due to class-size mandates and end-of-course exam requirements.

Engineering Program:

Areas of study include and should be sequenced as 1. Design & Modeling, 2. Automation & Robotics 3. Green Architecture and 4. Energy and the Environment. There are additional engineering courses in high school that continue from this program of study.

How can I earn high school credit while in middle school?

- Advanced classes taught at RRMS that meet high school credit requirements
- High school classes taught at RRHS
- Online classes: Pasco eSchool

Helpful Resources:

Review the elective course catalog and video descriptions on the RRMS website in the School Info tab
http://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/?page_id=2748

8th Grade

Student Name: _____

Student Number: _____

All 8th grade students will receive a yearlong class in Math, Science, Language Arts, and U.S. History. Advanced coursework will be recommended by teacher initials as indicated below. . Parents please initial if you agree with the advanced course recommendation below.

U.S. History, Advanced Teacher Initial _____ Parent initial _____ **Algebra 1 Hon** Teacher Initial _____ Parent initial _____

Language Arts, Advanced Teacher Initial _____ Parent initial _____ **Geometry Hon** Teacher Initial _____ Parent initial _____

Science, Advanced Teacher Initial _____ Parent initial _____

8th Grade – Please rank your top 6 choices from 1-6.

Yearlong Advanced classes in bold require teacher recommendation.

Semester / PE Combination Classes	Yearlong Classes
Computer Applications in Business 1 & CP/PE _____	Art Two Dimensional 2 _____
Computer Applications in Business 2 & CP/PE _____	Art Three Dimensional 1 Prerequisite Art 2D1 _____
Engineering 1. Design & Modeling /PE _____	Dance 1 or 2 (Circle) _____
Engineering 2. Automation & Robotics / PE _____	Adv. Dance 3 teacher rec. required) _____
Engineering 3. Green Architecture / PE _____	Theater 1 or 2 (Circle) _____
Engineering 4. Energy and the Environment / PE _____	Adv. Theater 3 (teacher rec. required) _____
Intro to Arts/Audio Visual Tech & Career Planning (Graphic Arts/Digital Design) / PE _____	Chorus 1, 2 or 3 (Circle) _____
Peer Counseling / PE Application required _____	Band 1, 2 or 3 (Circle) _____
Art Two Dimensional 1 (2D) _____	Physical Education Yearlong _____
	Beginning Spanish _____
	Spanish 1 – Advanced (High School credit) _____
	German 1 – Advanced (High School credit) _____
	Digital Media/Multimedia 1 (High School credit) _____
	Digital Media/Multimedia 2 (High School credit) _____
	Must take Digital media/Multimedia 1 as a co-requisite _____
*Physical Education is required and is in addition to each of the above semester classes If choosing an elective other than PE and Dance a PE waiver is required to be completed by the parent during Fall Orientation. Due to class space completing a PE waiver does not guarantee that your student will not have PE.	Digital Information Technology (High School Credit) _____
	Introduction to Engineering Design (High School credit) _____
	Introduction to the Teaching Profession (High School Credit) _____

Any questions? Please call RRMS guidance at 774-7239

Parent signature below indicates that you have provided input into the course selection process.

Parent Signature

Date