



# CHARLES S. RUSHE MIDDLE SCHOOL

2021 - 2022

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last name First name

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

School Last Attended: \_\_\_\_\_  
School City State

**GRADE 8**

**8<sup>th</sup> Grade Requirements:** Teachers must initial for each course requested below:

**Traditional Level Courses**

- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J Language Arts III
- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J World History
- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J Comprehensive Science III
- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J Grade 8 Pre-Algebra

**Advanced Level Courses**

- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J Language Arts III, Advanced
- \_\_\_\_\_ M/J World History, Advanced
- \_\_\_\_\_ Physical Science Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Algebra I Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)

**High School Courses (1.0 credits)**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Biology I Honors\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Geometry Honors\*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Algebra II Honors\* @ SLHS

\*Prerequisite course completion is required (i.e. Physical Science before Biology, Alg. before Geom.)

**Advanced Course Criteria:** Placement in advanced courses will be based on grades in previous classes, standardized test scores, and teacher recommendations. Placement in HS Math and Science require 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade accelerated participation and satisfactory progress. A Parent/Teacher Conference is required to move down a level once classes begin.

### Self-Contained Gifted Classes

Please disregard this section if your child has not yet qualified for gifted services in Pasco County. Teachers must initial approved courses:

**Traditional Gifted Accelerated Courses**

- \_\_\_ M/J Gifted Language Arts III
- \_\_\_ M/J Gifted World History
- \_\_\_ Physical Science Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)
- \_\_\_ Algebra I Honors (HS course 1.0 credit)

**Additional Acceleration**

- \_\_\_ Biology I Honors\* (HS course 1.0 credit)
  - \_\_\_ Geometry Honors\* @ SLHS (HS course 1.0 credit)
  - \_\_\_ Algebra II Honors\* (HS course 1.0 credit)
- \*Prerequisite course completion is required (i.e. Phy. Science before Biology, Alg. before Geom.)

Students electing to not take all Gifted courses offered (E/LA, WH, Science) may not receive an approval for School Choice Placement at CSRMS when selecting 'Self-Contained Gifted' as the reason for requesting placement (unless applied and accepted to the SOAR Academy).

**Electives** - Rank order 1-6, in order of choice, 1 being top pick. Students have 2 periods of electives per calendar year. If you select a semester course, select another semester course to pair it with. If you select any year-long courses, a PE waiver must be on file. Satisfactory passing of prerequisite, previous year's E/LA and Math courses, and FSAs of 3 or higher are required for high school level elective courses.

**Semester Courses**

- \_\_\_\_\_ 2D Art (offered semester 1)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3D Art (offered semester 2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration of Aerospace Technology (offered semester 2)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration of Health Science Professions
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exploration of Robotics Technologies
- \_\_\_\_\_ Exploring Technology and Career Planning (offered semester 1)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Computer Applications in Business 1 (offered semester 1)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Computer Applications in Business 2 (offered semester 2) (\*CAB1 is required before CAB2 – may be completed together during the same year)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Physical Education \*PE is a required course. (PE waivers are available on back of form)

**Year-long Courses**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Band
- \_\_\_\_\_ Chorus
- \_\_\_\_\_ Creative Writing
- \_\_\_\_\_ Guitar
- \_\_\_\_\_ Theatre
- \_\_\_\_\_ Musical Theatre (prerequisite: Chorus and/or Theatre)
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3D Studio Art

**HS (1.0) Credit Earning Electives**

- \_\_\_\_\_ Digital Design I
- \_\_\_\_\_ Digital Information Technologies I
- \_\_\_\_\_ Medical Skills Services I (Prereq: Exp. of Health)
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish I
- \_\_\_\_\_ Spanish II (Prereq: Spanish I)

**CSRMS School Counselor must complete below regarding Accelerated Literacy, Math, and Personal, Career, and School Development Skills. These are considered required courses at CSRMS if a student meets the criteria:**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **Personal, Career, and School Development Skills:** Required for students with previous course failures.
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Accelerated Literacy:** Required elective course for students with FSA ELA scores of levels 1 or 2.

\*Students not meeting FL Reading Standards may be placed into Accelerated Literacy in lieu of an elective. FSA scores, IRLA data, and previous course progress will be used as factors to determine placement.

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## Information regarding Advancement in Math and Sciences for ALL students:

High achieving students interested in taking accelerated courses with the opportunity to complete high school level math and science courses *while in middle school* may select to participate in courses offered at CSRMS. Students may participate in one of the following tracks:

**Single Advanced** - Students have the potential to earn a minimum of 2 high school credits by the completion of 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

	Math	Science
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	M/J Grade 6 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science I, Accelerated Honors
7 <sup>th</sup> grade	M/J Grade 7 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science II, Accelerated Honors
8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Algebra 1 Honors (*HS 1.0 credit)	Physical Science Honors (*HS 1.0 Credit)

**Double Advanced** - Students have the potential to earn a minimum of 3 high school credits by the completion of 8<sup>th</sup> grade. Completion of M/J Grade 6 Mathematics I, Advanced through Pasco eSchool is required before placement into M/J Grade 7 Mathematics II, Advanced on CSRMS campus. Students must begin this course as soon as possible to ensure completion before July 31<sup>st</sup>. Notify Ms. Blazys regarding course completion at [kblazys@pasco.k12.fl.us](mailto:kblazys@pasco.k12.fl.us) as soon as possible to ensure your seat in the next course – due to limited availability.

	Math	Science
<i>Summer before 6<sup>th</sup> grade</i>	M/J Grade 6 Mathematics, Accelerated	
6 <sup>th</sup> grade	M/J Grade 7 Mathematics, Accelerated	M/J Comprehensive Science I, Accelerated Honors
7 <sup>th</sup> grade	Algebra 1 Honors (HS 1.0 credit)	M/J Comprehensive Science II, Accelerated Honors
<i>Summer before 8<sup>th</sup> grade</i>		Physical Science I Honors (*HS 1.0 Credit)
8 <sup>th</sup> grade	Geometry Honors (HS 1.0 credit)	Biology I Honors (*HS 1.0 Credit)

### The CSRMS SOAR Academy

The CSRMS SOAR Team (Secondary Online Academic Readiness) provides a program that expands your education through student-driven instruction, face-to-face instruction, and cutting-edge technology. This blended learning combines Pasco teacher-facilitated eSchool curriculum with face-to-face instruction. Students are allowed to work at their own pace or accelerate their own learning. Students will follow a pacing guide and meet individually with teachers weekly to discuss progress. The ideal candidate is motivated, independent, and ready to learn!

Students will attend their Language Arts, Math, Science, and Social Studies classes in a blended environment by utilizing live instruction along with online lessons. The highly qualified teachers implement one-on-one conferences, small group mini-lessons, interactive projects, and labs in each content area. Students enrolled will have access to a school computer during the day while on campus. Access to online content at home is preferred, but not required. Due to the different paces and organization of classroom vs. online curriculum as well as the significant cost of the online licenses per student that the school incurs, a year-long commitment to the program is required.

Please complete the online application at: <https://csrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/csrms-digital-academy/>

### PE Waiver

We would like to have one on file in case the schedule does not include Physical Education (PE). Students are required to take one semester of PE each year. A completed waiver must be on file or a schedule change from your previously requested electives may occur to include PE.

**PE Waiver Statement:** Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of physical education for one semester of each year for students in grades 6 – 8. The physical education requirement shall be waived for a student who meets one of the following criteria: a) The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course, b) the parent requests that the student enroll in another course from among those offered as options by the school district, or c) the student is participating in physical activities outside the school day, which are equal to or in excess of the mandated requirement.

After reading the PE Waiver statement, I believe my child meets one of the listed criteria for an exemption and request a course other than PE.

\_\_\_\_\_

Parent

\_\_\_\_\_

Date

**ALL COURSE REQUESTS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AND AVAILABILITY DUE TO PASCO COUNTY COURSE OFFERINGS, TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS, AND CLASS SIZES.**

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**ONCE THE SCHOOL YEAR BEGINS, SCHEDULE CHANGES WILL BE LIMITED.  
WE STRIVE TO MEET OUR STUDENT'S REQUESTS. PLEASE CHOOSE WISELY.**

**Not attending Charles S. Rushe next year?** Please list the school or the city/state you are moving to:  
School/Location: \_\_\_\_\_