

2018-2019
Dutchtown Middle School
6th Grade
CONNECTIONS COURSE REGISTRATION FORM

Student Name _____ Student Number _____

You may select **ONE** of the following classes under the Performing Arts Track and/or **ONE** of the following classes under the Pathway Track. Connection classes are randomly assigned to students even if classes from the Performing Arts Track or the Pathway Track are not chosen (please see **ADDITIONAL CONNECTION COURSES OFFERED** below).

PERFORMING ARTS TRACKS

0406 Beginning Band 6

Opportunities to develop performance skills on a wind or percussion instrument. Emphasis is on performance and production and may include analysis, historical and cultural influences, and appreciation of music. Individual progress and group experiences are also stressed. Course requirements may include outside performances, an instrument, and a Band fee. ***Band is a yearlong course.*** Students completing Beginning Band 6 can take Band 7 and Band 8 consecutively.

0416 Chorus 6

Opportunities to develop performance skills and knowledge in ensemble singing. Primary focus is on performance and production, analysis and theoretical studies, historical and cultural influences, creative aspects of music and appreciation of music. Balance of individual progress and group success is stressed. Course requirements may include outside performances and a Chorus fee. ***Chorus is a yearlong course.*** Students completing Chorus 6 can take Chorus 7 and Chorus 8 consecutively.

PATHWAY TRACKS

0456 Visual Arts 6

Opportunities to learn many aspects of art including the production of art, art history, artists, aesthetics, and art criticism. Students taking this course will be on track for selection of placement in Comprehensive Art 1, a yearlong high school course, in 8th grade. Students completing Comprehensive Art 1 will receive a Fine Arts/high school credit. ***Comprehensive Art 1 Prerequisite: Placement in Visual Arts 6 (1 semester) and Visual Arts 7 (1 semester).*** Class size is limited.

0706 Connections Spanish 6

Opportunities to study and learn the Spanish culture as well as acquire basic level communication skills. Performance and individual progress are emphasized. Students taking this course will be on track for selection of placement in Spanish 1, a yearlong high school course, in 8th grade. Students completing Spanish 1 will receive a Foreign Language/high school credit. ***Spanish 1 Prerequisite: Placement in Connections Spanish 6 (1 semester) & Spanish 7 (1 semester).*** Class size is limited.

I DO NOT wish for my child to participate in the PERFORMING ARTS OR PATHWAY COURSES. I understand that connection courses will be randomly selected for my child each semester.

ADDITIONAL CONNECTION COURSES OFFERED

The following courses may be randomly assigned to students for the 1st or 2nd semester.

- 0666 Family & Consumer Science 6
- 0506 Physical Education 6
- 0516 Health 6
- 0606 Business Tech Connections 6
- 0676 Technology Education Connections 6

ADDITIONAL COURSE OFFERINGS

DMS provides enrichment opportunities to prepare students for the increased rigor of the reading Common Core Georgia Performance Standards. Placement decisions are based on academic needs of students. Students will be placed in the following course if they meet the placement criteria.

- 0041 Connections Reading Remediation

If you have any questions, please call Dutchtown Middle School's Counseling Department. Please direct your questions to the 6th Grade Counselor, Ms. Angela Davis at 770-515-7500 and/or angela.davis@henry.k12.ga.us .

Parent(s) Signature

Date