

### River Ridge Middle School

# Welcome 7th graders! 2016-17 Course Registration Information

Welcome to the 2016-17 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, 70% and above 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 Career Academy:**

Areas of study include and should be sequenced as 1. Design & Modeling, 2. Automation & Robotics 3. Green Architecture & 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

**PE Requirement:** All students are required to take 1 semester of Physical Education in middle school every year (Senate Bill 610). Taking a dance course will also satisfy this requirement.

## 7TH Grade Helpful Resources:

RRMS website <a href="http://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/RRMS/Welcome.html/">http://rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us/RRMS/Welcome.html/</a> eSembler <a href="https://grades.pasco.k12.fl.us/default.asp">https://grades.pasco.k12.fl.us/default.asp</a>

Student Name:	
Student Number:	-

All 7th grade students will receive a yearlong class in Math, Sci	ence, Language Arts, and Civics. Advanced coursework will be
recommended by teacher initials as indicated below.	

Civics, Advanced	Teacher Initial	_ Parent initial	Math Advanced -	Teacher Initial	Parent initial
Language Arts, Advanced	Teacher Initial	Parent initial	Science, Advanced-	Teacher Initial	Parent initial

#### 7th Grade – Please rank your top 6 choices from 1-6.

Semester Classes	Yearlong Classes		
Graphic Design (Intro to Arts/AV Tech. & CP)/ PE	Band 1		
Computer Applications in Business 1 & Career Planning / <b>PE</b>	Band 2 and Career Planning		
Engineering- 1. Design & Modeling /PE	Comprehensive PE 6/7 and Comprehensive PE 7/8		
Engineering-2. Automation & Robotics / <b>PE</b>	Chorus 1 or 2		
Art 2D 1/ <b>PE</b>	Dance 1* Satisfies PE requirement		
	Theater 1		
	Beginning Spanish (Prerequisite Course In Order To Take Spanish 1)		
*Physical Education is required and is in addition to each of the above semester classes.	Graphic & Digital Design 1 (High School credit)		

If choosing an elective other than PE, a PE waiver is required to be completed by the parent during fall registration and approved by administration (dependent on elective space availability). Completing a PE waiver does not guarantee that your student will not have PE.

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	