

## Descriptions for Electives Classes

**Intro Arts A/V Tech & Communications** – half year class. Graphic Design – make pictures for various things like board games, posters, candy wrappers and book covers, and a bunch of other cool stuff. Videography – recording images with video camera. Music Production – recording and producing music on track. Web Design – designing websites. If you took this in 7<sup>th</sup> grade you can't take it again in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Culinary Careers** – half year class. Food Safety & Sanitation, Kitchen Basics, Learn how to measure, use kitchen equipment and utensils. Read a recipe. Do Cooking Labs – making tacos, chocolate chip cookies, crepes. Take on roles in kitchen – head chef, sous chef and dishwasher. Learn about careers in culinary and hospitality field. If you took this in 7<sup>th</sup> grade you can't take it again in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Computer Applications in Business** – half year class. Learn about Careers in Business, Keyboarding, Microsoft Word, Microsoft Excel (spreadsheets), Microsoft Powerpoint, Computer Hardware (keyboards, modems, printers, computer systems, chips, and circuit boards), Internet Safety. If you took this in 7<sup>th</sup> grade you can't take it again in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Art** – half year class. Ceramics/Pottery, Drawing, 3-dimensional art. If you took this in 7<sup>th</sup> grade you can take it again in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Digital Information Technology (DIT)** – high school credit – full year class - Can earn Internet Business Certificate. Computer Networking, Internet and IT Support, Focus on Computer Hardware.

**Digital Design** – high school credit – full year class - Use Photoshop program. Use computer to enhance photos, graphic, computer art/Design. Create logos and advertisements in print form you'd see on social Media. Focus on Computer Software.

**Medical Skills** – high school credit – full year class

- Students selecting this class should have grade consisting of A's & B's in 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Learn about careers in the Health Science such as: Doctor, Nurse, Physician Assistant, Audiologist, Sonographer, Radiologist, Dietician, Physical Therapist, X-Ray Tech, Occupational Therapist, Epidemiologist, Pharmacist. Learn about Vital Signs, Pulse, CPR, History of Medicine, Emergency Situations, Wellness, Endurance, Nutrition... to name a few things.

**Spanish 1** – high school credit – full year class – Students selecting this class should have grade consisting of A's & B's in 7<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Spanish 2** – high school credit – full year class - must have taken Spanish 1 to take Spanish 2. If you are in Spanish 1 this year it is recommended that you continue the 2 year sequence. If Interested in attending college after high school you will need to pass two years of a World Language – this can be Spanish 1 & 2, French 1 & 2, American Sign Language 1 & 2. Other languages offered online through Pasco Eschool.

**Chorus** - Full-Year Class: All levels of Chorus participate in performances and competitions. Students who are currently in Beginning Chorus can sign up for Intermediate Chorus. 8<sup>th</sup> graders can sign up for Beginning Chorus! Anyone Interested in Advanced Chorus will need to audition with Mrs. McCormick.

**Band** – Full-Year Class: Beginning Band students learn how to read music and play a brass, woodwind, or percussion instrument. Examples include the flute, saxophone, trumpet, drums, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> graders can also sign up for Beginning Band! If you have passed Beginning or Intermediate Band in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade, you will be placed into Advanced Band in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All levels of Band students play in performances, and Intermediate and Advanced Band students perform at competitions.

**Theater** - Full-Year Class: Students will learn the basics of acting and stage production: Improv - unplanned or unscripted. Characterization. Set design. Costumes/make-up. If you took this in 7<sup>th</sup> grade **you can** take it again in 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Orchestra** - Full-Year Class: Beginning Orchestra students also learn how to read music and play a string instrument. Examples include the violin, viola, cello, bass, etc. 8<sup>th</sup> graders can sign up for Beginning Orchestra! If you are currently in Orchestra and want to play again in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade, you will be placed into Advanced Orchestra next year. All levels of Orchestra students play in performances, and Intermediate and Advanced Orchestra students perform at competitions.

**Peer Counseling** – Full Year Class: Application is on JLMS Website (scroll down page it's on Right side). Students need to apply by February 28<sup>th</sup> to be considered. Applications include teacher recommendations. Students will be used in a variety of ways throughout the campus: in special needs classes to help students and teachers, in other classes throughout campus to assist teachers, in the media center, in the office. Peer counseling is a year long elective and will replace one of your other selections if student is selected.

- Criteria for Peers:
  - Must be an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student for 22-23 school year
  - Maintain a C average
  - Maintain good citizenship and good character (discipline referrals for fighting, bullying or breach of confidentiality will result in an immediate drop from the program)
  - Have the ability to work well with adults and other students
  - Demonstrate an eagerness to help others
  - Be trustworthy and reliable
- You Will Need to ask 4 teachers to Recommend You & list their names on the application

**Musical Theater**- full year class. New class only for 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. Like Broadway- plays/acting with music/singing. One semester this class will work with Drama Class. A student can take Chorus and Musical Theater.

**Pasco Eschool Electives** – All students have Opportunity to start school day at 2<sup>nd</sup> period or end the school day after 5<sup>th</sup> period in order to take an online class at home. In order to do this you need to have a ride or be able to walk to school in morning or have ride or walk in afternoon.

To check out Electives offered through Pasco Eschool go to [www.flvs.net](http://www.flvs.net) :

- click "Enroll" in the top right navigation
- Select "Grades 6-12" next to County Virtual School
- Select "Enroll" on left side of page
- Choose your county – Pasco
- Select your student type – Public School
- Click "Continue"
- Select the "High School" or "Middle School" tab to view course offerings
- Click on desired course name to view more details, such as Description, Topics and Concepts

See Mr. Shaw for directions on how to sign up for a Pasco Eschool Class.