

WELCOME TO THE ROYAL FAMILY! CLASS OF 2029



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RIVER RIDGE ROYAL KNIGHTS

SHARE THESE

KNIGHTLY VALUES:



Be **Respectful**
Be **Responsible**
Be a
Problem Solver



#WeAreROYAL

IT'S ALWAYS A GREAT RIVER RIDGE DAY!



THE RIVER RIDGE EXPERIENCE



-We believe that with the right supports that ALL students have the ability to meet high academic standards through challenging course work.

-We have a caring & respectful Royal Family who works together so that everyone will succeed!

-All 6th graders have 6 classes. All 6th graders will take Research, Health, and PE or an elective of his/her choice (if parent completes the PE waiver).

THE RIVER RIDGE EXPERIENCE



- Students have 6 classes/7 periods per day every day
- Daily “Knight Time” homeroom for students to go for the WIN (What I Need)
 - 20 minutes per day
- Academic Lunch & after school tutoring for students to get help with challenging coursework.



Student Name _____

Student Number _____

Class of 2029 ~ 6th Grade

Welcome to the 2022-2023 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.

Required Courses

Lang. Arts Adv. (1.0)
Math 6 or Math 6 ACC or 7 Math ACC (1.0)
Science 1 Adv. (1.0) or ACC Sci (1.0)
US History Adv.(1.0)
PE (.5)*
Health (.5)**
Research or Intensive Reading (1.0)

Semester Elective Classes*

Exploring Art 2D (.5)
Exploring Art 3D (.5)
Coding Fundamentals 1 (.5)
Coding Fundamentals 2 (.5)***
Computer Science Discoveries (.5)***
Engineering 1-Explor.Tech Design (.5)
Engineering 2-Automation & Robotics(.5)***
Graphic Design-Intro to A/V Arts (.5)
Intro to Dance (.5)
Intro to Basic Theater (.5)
Intro to Technical Theater (.5)
Guitar 1 (.5)
PE-Fitness (.5)
Health (.5)**

Year-Long Elective Classes

Chorus 1 (1.0)
Band 1 (1.0)
Orchestra (1.0)

**All students are required to take 1 Semester of PE every year. If choosing an elective other than PE, a PE waiver is required to be completed by the parent on the back of this form. Completing a PE waiver does not guarantee that your student will not have PE.*

***All students are required to take 1 Semester of Health in 6th Grade. **This includes the Career Component required for Promotion in the State of Florida.** Students who wish to take a year-long elective OR take 2 semester electives will need to complete the Health Agreement on the back of this form and complete the course independently online.*

****Requires a prerequisite course*

Student T-Shirt Size-Check One

_____ Youth Lg

_____ Adult Sm

_____ Adult Md

_____ Adult Lg

_____ Adult XL

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____

Create your Schedule!

Circle your selection and teachers should initial approval.

- 1st Selection: Lang. Arts 1 Adv. (all students)
- 2nd Selection: US History Adv. (all students)
- 3rd Selection: _____ Math 6 or _____ ACC Math 6
- _____ ACC Math 7 (must complete Math 6 Adv through Pasco eSchool by Aug 1.)
- 4th Selection: _____ Science 1 Adv or _____ ACC Science 1 Honors (must be in ACC Math)
- 5th Selection: Students will be placed in either **Research or Intensive Reading** as a result of FSA ELA Scores.
- 6th Selection:

_____ Take Yearlong Electives: _____ Chorus 1 _____ Band 1 _____ Orchestra 1

OR

_____ Take Health (.5)** in a seat paired with another semester elective*

OR

_____ Take Health** online and select 2 semester electives

Rank your top 3 elective choices 1-3 in order of preference:

_____ Exploring Art 2D (.5) _____ Exploring Art 3D (.5)

_____ Intro to Dance (.5) _____ PE-Fitness (.5)*

_____ Intro to Basic Theater (.5) _____ Intro to Technical Theater (.5)

_____ Intro to A/V Arts (.5) _____ Guitar 1 (.5)

_____ Coding Fundament 1 (.5) _____ Coding Fundament 2 (.5)***

_____ Computer Science Discoveries (.5)***

_____ Engineering 1-Exploring Technical Design (.5)

_____ Engineering 2- Automation & Robotics (.5)***



6TH GRADE SCHEDULE

- Advanced U.S. History
- Advanced Language Arts
- Advanced Science* or Acc Science Honors*
- Math or Adv 6 Math* or Adv 7 Math*
- Research
- PE/Health or Semester elective (PE Waiver)
- *Teachers will initial course card for Advanced/Acc. Math and Acc. Science Honors.



MATH COURSE PROGRESSION

Teacher will recommend for Advanced & Accelerated Math with a signature on the Course Card.

9 th Grade Year	Algebra 1
8 th Grade Year	Pre-Algebra
7 th Grade Year	7 th Grade Math
6 th Grade Year	6 th Grade Math
ELEMENTARY	5 th Grade Math
TRADITIONAL PATHWAY	

9 th Grade Year	Geometry Honors
8 th Grade Year	Algebra 1 Honors
7 th Grade Year	7 th Grade Adv. Math
6 th Grade Year	6 th Grade Adv. Math
ELEMENTARY	5 th Grade Math
ADVANCED PATHWAY	

9 th Grade Year	Algebra 2 Honors
8 th Grade Year	Geometry Honors
7 th Grade Year	Algebra 1 Honors
6 th Grade Year	7 th Grade Adv. Math
ELEMENTARY APRIL-AUGUST ONLINE	6 th Grade Adv. Math
	5 th Grade Math
ACCELERATED PATHWAY	

ACCELERATION OPTIONS

MATHEMATICS



- **6th Grade Advanced Math** will learn 6th and half of the 7th grade standards. These students will take the 6th grade math FSA.
- **7th Grade Advanced Math** will learn the rest of the 7th and 8th grade standards. These students will take the 8th grade math FSA.
- Teacher will recommend for Advanced Math with a signature. Scored a minimum Achievement Level of a 4 on Math FSA. Level 3s can be recommended, if other indicators are strong.
- High performance on MAP NWEA testing, classroom assessments, strong foundational skills, and independent work habits.

SUMMER MATH ACCELERATION PROGRAM



- In partnership with Pasco eSchool, we are proud to present the option of a summer math acceleration program for incoming RRMS students. Students will take 6th Grade Advanced Math from April – August with Pasco eSchool then be enrolled in 7th Grade Advanced Math as a cohort.
- Contact Pasco eSchool to sign up today!





SCIENCE COURSE PROGRESSION

Teacher will recommend for Accelerated Science with a signature on the Course Card.
STUDENTS MUST ALSO TAKE ADVANCED MATH OR ACCELERATED MATH OPTION

9th Grade Year Physical Science
Or Biology Honors

8th Grade Year 8th Grade Adv.
Science
(FSA State
Science Assessment)

7th Grade Year 7th Grade Adv.
Science

6th Grade Year 6th Grade Adv.
Science

ELEMENTARY 5th Grade Science

**TRADITIONAL
PATHWAY**

9th Grade Year Biology 1 Honors

8th Grade Year Physical Science
Honors*

7th Grade Year 7th Accelerated
Science 2 Honors
(All of 7th &
Sem. 2 of 8th)
(FSA State
Science Assessment)

6th Grade Year 6th Accelerated
Science 1 Honors
(All of 6th &
Sem. 1 of 8th)

ELEMENTARY 5th Grade Science

**ACCELERATED
PATHWAY**

PE REQUIREMENT

- All students are required to take one semester of Physical Education in middle school every year (Senate Bill 610).
- Dance course will also satisfy the PE requirement.
- Students can choose to “opt out” of PE but parents must sign a PE waiver on the back of the course card.



**Turn to the
Back of the Course Card**

PE WAIVER STATEMENT

Only complete if your child is not taking PE.

PE Waiver Requirement: Senate Bill 610 requires the equivalent of one class period per day of Physical Education for one semester each year for students in grades 6-8. A waiver is required for students for the following criteria:

- Student requires a remedial course
- Parent requests another offered course
- Parent verifies that student participates in equivalent activities outside the school day

I have read the PE Waiver Statement and believe that my child meets one of the listed criteria for exemption and requests courses other than PE.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

HEALTH REQUIREMENT



The Health Education Course is designed to enhance the awareness and knowledge of HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES that promote HEALTHY BEHAVIOR OUTCOMES. This course is required for all Pasco County 6th grade students. Students wishing to take the FULL YEAR elective or TWO SEMESTER electives option may take this course through Pasco eSchool. This course satisfies the Career Component which is a promotion requirement.

RESEARCH

The purpose of this course is to enable students to develop basic knowledge and skills in the research process with emphasis on determining and refining research questions.

The content should include, but not be limited to, the following:

- research process, research topics, research questions and hypotheses, definition, analysis, and evaluation of research questions, review of literature and other resources, directed investigations, critical analysis of research, and the National History Day Fair Project.

ELECTIVES & PROGRAM OPTIONS



RRMS Course Selection 2022-2023

Class of 2029 - 6th Grade

Class of 2028-7th Grade

Class of 2027-8th Grade

- Visit the RRMS Website to explore all of the course offerings & elective options.

- Website: rrms.pasco.k12.fl.us

- PICK 1-3 on the course cards

The grid contains the following course cards:

- Computer Science**: #WeAreRoyal
- Engineering**: #WeAreRoyal
- RIVER RIDGE FAME ACADEMY**: FINE ARTS & MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT
- World Languages**: #WeAreRoyal
- Digital Media Multimedia Design**: #WeAreRoyal
- Performing Arts Theater**: #WeAreRoyal
- HS Academies Available to RRMS Students**: #WeAreRoyal
- Peer Mentoring**: #WeAreRoyal
- Performing Arts Dance**: #WeAreRoyal
- Reading & Research**: #WeAreRoyal
- Physical Education Health**: #WeAreRoyal
- Visual Arts**: #WeAreRoyal
- Performing Arts Music**: #WeAreRoyal

RIVER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

ADVANCED COURSES OF STUDY & ELECTIVE PROGRAMS

RRMS offers students many diverse experiences to find & pursue their interest areas while exploring their talents in a caring & compassionate learning environment. There are more on campus opportunities than any other middle school for students to excel by earning high school credits and industry certifications.

FAME ACADEMY FINE ARTS MUSIC ENTERTAINMENT

The FAME Academy at RRMS allows students to have access to a comprehensive visual and performing arts coursework including visual and digital arts, photography, dance and choreography, theatre, vocal, instrumental (orchestra, percussion, and brass, etc.), and general music. In addition to the diverse curriculum offerings, teachers and students will have the opportunity to utilize the River Ridge Center for the Arts and the Black Box Theatre to provide professional real-world experiences in the fine and performing arts.



DIGITAL MEDIA MULTI-MEDIA & GRAPHIC DESIGN

Students explore audio/video technology, webpage design and interactive presentation development in animation and graphic design using Photoshop, Illustrator, and iMovie, etc. Students have the opportunity to earn two high school course credits and earn industry certifications.



WORLD LANGUAGES

Students earn on campus high school credit by immersing in either American Sign Language, German, or Spanish Programs.



ACCELERATED ACADEMIC PROGRAMS STANDARDS-BASED, RIGOROUS, & RELEVANT

River Ridge Middle School is the first middle school in Pasco County to offer an accelerated academic program in Mathematics & Science where students are immersed in inquiry based, rigorous and relevant curriculum leading to multiple high school credits in middle school.

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ENGINEERING & ROBOTICS

The rigorous Project Lead the Way Engineering Program at RRMS provides students with hands on experiences to explore all areas of the engineering field including robotics, manufacturing, green architecture, and energy and the environment. As an 8th grader, students may also take the high school level Introduction to Engineering course to earn an industry certification. Students may also participate in VEX and FIRST Robotics team competitions with high school mentors.



COMPUTER SCIENCE

Computer Science includes programming (block and text) and also includes many other concepts such as computational thinking, artificial intelligence, computer systems and networks, security, database systems, human computer interaction, vision and graphics, numerical analysis, programming languages, software engineering, bioinformatics, mixed reality, computer literacy, and theory of computing. Students have the opportunity to take the high school computer science courses and earn industry certifications.

TEACHING & EDUCATION

7th and 8th grade students who are accepted in the New Teacher Academy at RRMS will enter their first class and learn quickly that clinical experience working with kids, coupled with giving back to the Pasco community, is the catalyst for success within the NTA. Developing future teachers while serving the community provides a powerful platform upon which to build the next generation of Pasco County teachers. Students earn high school credit in this academy.



6TH GR. SEMESTER ELECTIVE CHOICES

Semester Elective Classes*

Exploring Art 2D (.5)
Exploring Art 3D (.5)
Coding Fundamentals 1 (.5)
Coding Fundamentals 2 (.5)
Engineering 1-Explor.Tech Design (.5)
Engineering 2-Automation & Robotics(.5)
Graphic Design-Intro to A/V Arts (.5)
Intro to Dance (.5)
Intro to Basic Theater (.5)
Intro to Technical Theater (.5)
Guitar (.5)
PE-Fitness (.5)
Health (.5)



- Intro. to AV Arts (Graphic Design)
- Coding Fundamentals 1* and 2*
- Computer Science Discoveries*
- Engineering 1-Explor Tech Design*
- Engineering 2-Automation/Robotics*
- Exploring Art 2D or Art 3D
- Intro to Dance (counts as a PE course)
- Intro to Basic Theater
- Intro to Technical Theater
- Guitar 1 & 2
- PE

*Industry Certification Course

6TH GR. YEARLONG ELECTIVES



- Band 1 or Chorus 1 or Orchestra 1
- Students who take a YEAR LONG or 2 SEMESTER ELECTIVES must sign the Health agreement to take health online when available outside of their school day.
- Students must also complete a PE waiver.

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I have read the PE Waiver Statement and believe that my child meets one of the listed criteria for exemption and requests courses other than PE.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

Online Health Agreement

Only complete if your child is taking Band 1 or Chorus 1.

I am requesting my child take the year-long elective of band or chorus, I agree to have him/her take the class online through Pasco eSchool when offered. I understand this class will need to be completed outside of the regular school day.

Parent Signature _____

Date _____

RIVER RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL

2022-23

CURRICULUM NIGHT

02.16.22 ~ 6PM-7:30PM

Explore ALL of the

Royal
opportunities!

Transition Meetings for Parents 6PM-6:30PM

Incoming 6th Grade - Theater, Incoming 7th & 8th Grade - Cafeteria

Campus & Academy/Program Tours 6:30PM-7:30PM

WELCOME TO THE ROYAL FAMILY!



CLASS OF 2029

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 1. SCHOOL VISITS**
 - Week of 2.7: Visits to elementary feeder schools by RRMS staff work with 5th grade students & provide 6th Grade Course Cards
 - 2.22 Course Cards (signed) due to 5th Grade Teachers
- 2. WHAT** Class of 2029 Middle School Transition Night
WHERE River Ridge Theater and Campus
WHEN February 16, 2022 6PM-7:30PM
- 3. WHAT** "Storm the Castle" Student & Families Transition Event
WHERE RRMS
WHEN July 28 8AM-12PM



SCHOOL VISITS:

2.8: Cypress (AM), Moon Lake (PM)
2.9: Deer Park (AM)
2.14: Longleaf (AM)



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THE RIVER RIDGE EXPERIENCE



We are planning a field trip to RRMS in April for campus tours, pep rally and a student panel.

- Monthly student clubs based on your interests
- Sports in 6th Grade
 - Cheerleading, Football, Track, Soccer, JV Volleyball, JV Basketball, Dance Team
- Service Clubs, Royal Merchant School Store, Royal Rewards...

THE RIVER RIDGE EXPERIENCE



**Don't forget to
give us your t-shirt
size!
Finally, SIGN THE
COURSE CARD.**

____ Youth Lg
____ Adult Sm
____ Adult Md
____ Adult Lg
____ Adult XL

Parent Signature _____

Student Signature _____



July 28, 2022
8AM-12PM

Begin your journey as a Royal Knight
by attending this special orientation.

CONNECT with RRMS



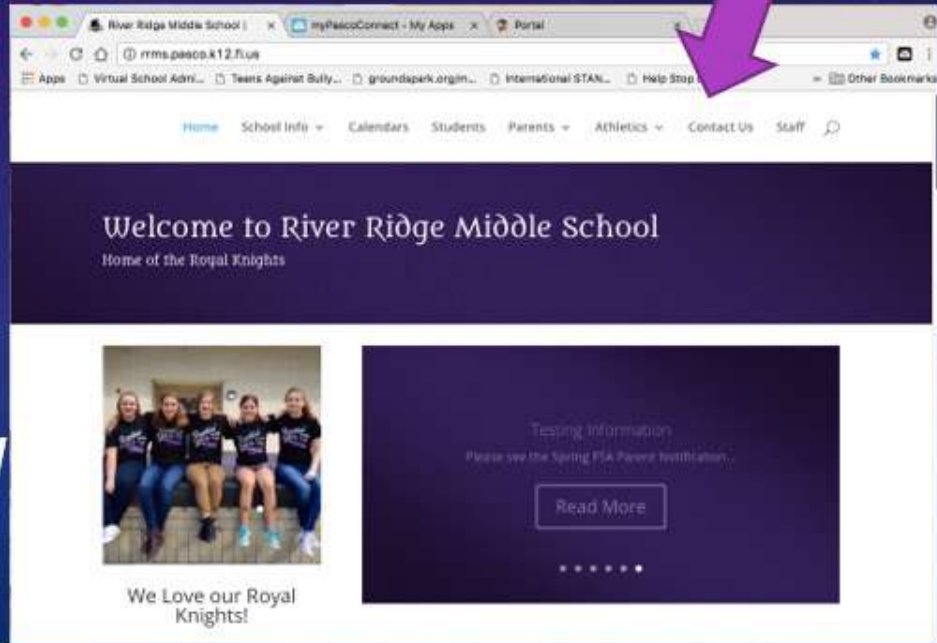
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