



Raymond B. Stewart Middle School 2021 – 2022 7th GRADE

NAME: _____

ID #: _____

REQUIREMENTS:

- Language Arts *
- Mathematics *
- Science *
- Civics *

**Advanced sections are by staff placement only.*

ELECTIVES: Rank #1-6 your preference of elective.

STATE REQUIREMENT: if PE is NOT selected, must-sign waiver on reverse side.

- ___ Physical Education (PE) – (semester)
- ___ 2D Art (semester)
- ___ Exploration of Agriscience (semester)
- ___ Intro to Technology (semester)
- ___ Computer Science Discoveries (yearlong)
- ___ Coding 1 and 2 (yearlong)
- ___ AVID (yearlong, requires application)
- ___ Band (yearlong)
- ___ Beginning (not enrolled in Band last year)
- ___ Concert/Symphonic Band (completed 6th grade Band)
- ___ Chorus (yearlong)
- High school credit-earning elective – impacts GPA/rank**
- ___ Spanish 1 (yearlong world language)

Course Requests: Assignments are based upon legislation and availability of teachers, space, and materials. Every effort will be made to grant first-choice electives. Failure to complete this form will result in classes being assigned to the student. Waivers for special circumstances must be approved by administration and the Pasco County School Board.

➤ **Students for whom remediation is mandated by statute** (e.g. FSA scores) **will be required to take an intervention class** (e.g. Intensive Reading or Intensive Math).

Schedule Changes: Students who struggle with the course content may be granted changes only after parent, teacher, and student confer to discuss progress and identify a plan of action for student improvement. We are interested in the success of our students and are willing to work with the student and parent to help the student succeed. These procedures have been developed to ensure stable classrooms for all students at RBSMS. Schedule changes must be approved by administration.

Exceptional Student Education (ESE): The final choices of classes for ESE students will be made at the time of the IEP/parent conference. The selections on this form will be used only for planning purposes.

Infinity Academy: An advanced curriculum in a blended learning environment where teachers and students work together to create an educational plan tailored to each student's needs and areas of interest. Each student is part of a house with a leadership team and mentors, so all students feel included and have access to resources like their own laptop computer to take home. Students have the freedom to work ahead & explore topics of interest.

Student Signature: _____ Parent Signature: _____ Date _____

FOR OFFICE USE ONLY: ___ ESE: ___ ___ FSA Reading ___ FSA Math ___ SSAP
 ___ INFINITY ___ Gifted ___ CAR-PD/Intens. Reading ___ Intensive Math ___ CR: _____

COURSE INFORMATION

- ◇ **Physical Education (PE):** Semester elective provides students with the knowledge, skills, and values to become healthy and physically active. Requirements: locker fee, optional uniform fee, daily participation, and dress in appropriate attire.
- ◇ **Art:** Semester elective produces 2-D artworks and explores Western and non-Western cultures through developing skills in drawing, painting, printmaking, and collage.
- ◇ **Exploration of Agriscience:** Semester elective for students that would like to learn about with agricultural literacy, livestock, plants, natural resources, and the role of the consumer.
- ◇ **Intro to Technology:** Semester elective about technology including aeronautics, internal combustion engines, robotics, prosthetics, rocketry, alternative energy and the science, physics, and history behind these topics.
- ◇ **Computer Science Discoveries:** Yearlong elective course that focuses on the visible aspects of computing and computer science and encourages students to see where computer science exists around them and how they can engage with it as a tool for exploration and expression. Students explore the impact of computer science on society and how data is used to address problems that affect others and how physical computing with circuit boards allows computers to collect, input and return output in a variety of ways. This is a class that can replace a high school math credit.
- ◇ **Coding:** Yearlong elective that explores different operating systems and increasing awareness of programming language. Students will demonstrate proficiency in programming and computer coding software. This course allows students to earn industry certification. There is an FSA minimum requirement score to participate in the class.
- ◇ **AVID (Advancement Via Individual Determination):** Yearlong college readiness elective ensures “*in the academic middle*” students succeed in rigorous curriculum through organization skills, time management, note-taking strategies, college tutors during class time, field trips to local college campuses. Must submit separate application. Requires at least one advanced class
- ◇ **Band:** This exciting year-long class teaches students how to play a band instrument! Students will learn fundamentals of performing a band instrument and experience the joys of performing in front of others in a concert setting. Students will need their own instrument. However, many instruments are available from the school at no charge. Students will experience the joy of performing at community and school events. Students who have already completed Beginning Band should select Concert/Symphonic Band. Students who have never been in band should select Beginning Band.
- ◇ **Jazz Band:** This fun course teaches students to perform jazz music in a traditional “big band” setting. Students perform through the year at community and school events. Jazz Band students must have completed Beginning Band and be a member of either the Concert or Symphonic Band.
- ◇ **Chorus:** This year-long class teaches students the fundamentals of how to sing! Students will learn basic vocal technique, critical and creative thinking skills, and an appreciation for music from around the world. Students will also have the opportunity to perform for our community and school!

Physical Education Requirement - Waiver

Dear parent or guardian,

Florida state legislation requires students in grades 6-8 to take at least one semester of physical education each year. The legislation allows for parents to waive the requirement if the student meets at least one of the following:

- The student is enrolled or required to enroll in a remedial course (waiver not required)
- The parent requests that the student enroll in another elective course offered by the school at that grade level (if available).
- The student is participating in physical activities outside of the school day that, which are equal or in excess of the mandated requirement.

_____ (initials) My child meets one of the above criteria and requests courses other than physical education.

Student Name: _____

Parent Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student # _____

Grade: _____