

READINGTON MIDDLE SCHOOL

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Dear Parents/Guardians.

Readington Middle School is already preparing for the arrival of the class of 2022! There are several new opportunities for your child to experience in middle school, including:

<u>World Languages</u>: 6^{th} grade students have the option of choosing one of three languages: French, Spanish or Mandarin Chinese. We hope to be able to assign all students their top selection, but you must indicate an alternate second choice as some schedules may be limited. Please consider these choices carefully as students will study the same language through 6^{th} , 7^{th} & 8^{th} grade.

<u>Performing Arts</u>: Sixth grade students may choose to take Band, Chorus, or Orchestra as one of their encore classes. Students electing band or orchestra *must currently* be playing an instrument.

<u>Elective classes</u>: Sixth grade students, who are not in band, chorus or orchestra, will be scheduled for two elective classes per semester (Innovation & Design, Financial Literacy, Studio Art, General Music) in addition to their mandatory full-year Health and Physical Education classes. Band/Chorus/Orchestra students will take one elective class per semester.

Students who are scheduled for Literacy and/or Math Intervention classes will be scheduled for those courses in place of an elective. If students are scheduled for two intervention classes, they may not be able to participate in Band, Chorus, or Orchestra.

Please discuss these choices with your child. The students will be completing an online version of this form in school during the week of March 11. The attached form is for your reference only, so it should not be returned to the school.

Please keep in mind:

- Your child must choose a world language, and also indicate a second choice.
- If he/she does not choose any Performing Arts, he/she may be given a General Music class.
- Changes cannot be made after the scheduling has been completed.

We look forward to working with you and your child to prepare for the exciting three years ahead.

Sincerely,

Sharon Moffat Dr. Jonathan Moss Principal Assistant Principal

2019-2020 RMS Course Selection Grade 6

Student's Name (Last Name, First Name)

	D LANGUAGES
Please	write mark your choices with a 1 (first choice), 2 (second choice), or 3 (third choice):
	Spanish French Mandarin
PERFO	DRMING ARTS
curren	ts <u>may elect</u> to enroll in one of the following programs. Students electing band or orchestra <u>must</u> <u>fly</u> be playing an instrument. Please mark your choices with a 1 (first choice), 2 (second choice), or 3 choice):
	Band/Instrument:(Flute, Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Percussion)
	Gold Orchestra/Instrument: (Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass)
	Chorus
elective their e	dents will receive mandatory Health and Physical Education. In addition, they will be given a choice of es. Students who are placed in Literacy and/or Math Intervention will have those classes <u>replace</u> lectives. Please mark your choices with a 1 (first choice), 2 (second choice), 3 (third choice), or 4 a choice) *It is important to put a number next to each course:
	Innovation & Design (In this course, Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) learning, innovative thinking, and creative problem solving are at the forefront of every class. Students will design a three dimensional eco-friendly solar house to scale, and work collaboratively to design and construct a solar car and wind turbine.)
	Financial Literacy (There are three major units in this project based course: income/careers/money management, credit/debt management, and investment/financial planning. Some of the major course activities are choosing your college, buying your first car, how you can budget your money effectively and a net based stock market simulation.)
	Studio Art (Student projects range from constructing, to drawing, sculpting and painting in order for all students to receive exposure to all the Visual Arts have to offer.)
	General Music (Students will develop written and verbal skills to analyze music, as well as study different aspects of music through listening, composing, and performing.)