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## Lake Middle School

**To: All Lake Middle School Current 7th Grade Students**

**Re: 8th Grade Middle School Registration Information for 2024-2025**

**Date: January 2024**

We are beginning to prepare for your 8th grade experience for the 2024-2025 school year! Below is initial information about registering for 8th grade.

**8th Grade Courses:** All of your 8th grade core course work is pre-determined for you during your middle level experience. However, you do have one class period where you can make your own encore choice.

**All 8th grade students will be enrolled in each of the following classes:**

| Core Classes                               | Encore Trimester Classes           |
|--------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Physical Science                           | Art 8                              |
| Social Studies                             | STEM 8                             |
| Language Arts                              | CCR – College and Career Readiness |
| Math (*See table below for math placement) | (*or AVID – must have applied)     |

**You are following the SoWashCo Schools Math Pathway.** Their math class for their 8th grade year will follow the sequence. For example:

| If current 7 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Class is: | Your 8 <sup>th</sup> Grade Math Class will be:     |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| Pre-Algebra                                     | Intermediate Algebra w/Statistics<br>OR MS Algebra |
| Intermediate Algebra w/Statistics               | Geometry                                           |
| Geometry                                        | Algebra 2                                          |

There are TWO periods that 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are in Encore classes.

Students will be AUTOMATICALLY REGISTERED in to ONE of the following encore options below:

**Trimester Encore Classes**

Art, **STEM** (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math), and **CCR** (College and Career Readiness)

**OR**

**AVID Elective**

(\*to be in AVID you had to be in AVID in 7th grade and/or apply and have been accepted for 8th grade)

Students get to CHOOSE ONE of the following encore options:

\_\_\_\_ Option #1: **BAND AND PHY ED** - Every Other Day Classes

\_\_\_\_ Option #2: **CHOIR AND PHY ED** - Every Other Day Class

\_\_\_\_ Option #3: **ORCHESTRA AND PHY ED** - Every Other Day Classes

\_\_\_\_ Option #4: **BAND AND CHOIR** - Every Other Day Classes

\_\_\_\_ Option #5: **ORCHESTRA AND CHOIR** - Every Other Day Class

\_\_\_\_ Option #6: **EVERY DAY CHOIR** - Every Day Class

\_\_\_\_ Option #7: **EVERY DAY PHY ED** - Every Day Class

\_\_\_\_ Option #8: **SPANISH** - Every Day Class

**ACTION ITEM FOR STUDENTS: 8th Grade Encore Selection**

Please discuss your encore choice options (listed above) with your parents/guardians. Once you have determined your encore course choice, please complete your registration card, complete student and parent signatures and turn in to the front office. **You must complete your registration by Friday, January 26<sup>th</sup>.**

**\*Please Note:** It is important to be confident in your encore course selection at this time as changes will not be made due to the fact we determine our fall staffing/hiring needs, amount of class sections and class sizes in each of those options based on your initial course registration and hiring this spring.

**QUESTIONS?** If you have any questions about initial information about your 8<sup>th</sup> grade registration, please contact the counseling office at 651-425-6491.

**Your school counselor is:** Mr. Jamie Jankowski [jjankows@sowashco.org](mailto:jjankows@sowashco.org)

**We are here to help,  
and we are EXCITED about planning for your 8th grade school year!**