

Horizon Middle School
7th & 8th Grade Scheduling Form

Name _____

The following subjects are required for all seventh grade students:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Length</u>	
Language Arts	Full Year	} With the same teacher
Reading/Social Studies	Full Year	
Math	Full Year	
Science	Full Year	
PE	Every Other Day (EOD)	opposite Technology/Health
Technology/Health	EOD	opposite PE

COMPLETE your seventh grade program by selecting ONE elective class below:

Music Classes: (Year Long)

OR

Exploratory Classes: (9 week Rotation)

- _____ Band
- _____ Orchestra
- _____ Choir

- _____ Art
- _____ Current Events
- _____ Leadership
- _____ Science/Technology/Engineering/Math (STEM)

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

7th/8th Grade Electives 24-25

YEAR LONG

Do you like making music? Can you imagine what your favorite movie, video game, or anime would be like without music?! Of course, you can't! Music is critical to our joyful existence as human beings and Middle School is where that learning can really take off to become a lifelong hobby, an awesome career, or even just a great experience that you'll carry with you the rest of your life. Here are your musical elective options:

Choir

Hey there! Imagine a super fun music class where you get to sing with your friends and put on awesome concerts twice a year! In this class, you'll learn how to sing better, work together as a team to make beautiful music, and even discover cool stuff about music history and how it all works. Plus, you'll have a chance to learn about music theory, which is like the rules of music, and music history, which is like learning about the amazing stories behind the songs we love. It's going to be a blast!

Intermediate Band

Hey there! So, you know how in band you get to play cool instruments like the flute, clarinet, saxophone, trumpet, and more? If you're ready to level up in your musical journey, then sign up for Intermediate/ Advanced Band; it's for kids who already know a bit about playing an instrument and want to keep getting better. Percussion players will be expected to play both mallets and drums. At least one year of musical experience is strongly suggested.

Intermediate Strings (Orchestra)

If you've already played a stringed instrument like a violin, viola, cello, or bass last year, this class is just right for you! We'll be diving deeper into all the cool stuff you can do with your instrument. All of this will help get you ready for joining the big orchestra when you're in high school.

This class is all about having fun together and cheering each other on. We're like a big musical team! Plus, we'll have two concerts where you can show off your skills, a fun competition, and even a cool field trip during the school year.

If you're new to Orchestra, sign up for Beginning Strings instead. We'll help you get started from the very beginning!

Advanced Tech 2

In Advanced Tech 2, we will build on what we learned in Advanced Tech 1 to create cooler projects. We'll keep learning how to code in JavaScript by making games using the Construct 3 game engine. This time, we'll learn some advanced tricks like randomizing parts of our games and designing levels that change each time you play.

To make our games awesome, we'll also get better at making pixel art, animations, and digital music. Besides coding, we'll dive deeper into 3D design and printing to create amazing 3D objects.

Finally, we'll use our VEX robotics kits to take on more challenging tasks and start learning the basics of Python coding. This class is all about using advanced tech to make our projects more fun and exciting! ***Prerequisite: Advanced Tech 1 in 2023/24; PE will be waived if taking this class.***

Latinos in Action Leadership Class

Latinos In Action (LIA) helps Latino students and allies do awesome in school and get ready for cool jobs or college. It's a special class that lasts a whole year, taught by Ms. Tuckner. Our main goal is to support Latino kids and their allies in becoming leaders so they can help make their communities stronger. We will do this by focusing on four important things: using your strengths and culture, doing great in school, helping others, and learning how to lead.

Spanish

Are you interested in learning a new language? Are you a student with strong academic skills who feels ready to tackle a **high school level class**? Then consider taking Spanish at Horizon! This Spanish course will cover the same curriculum as FHS, and students will be held to high academic expectations. Students who successfully complete Spanish will receive high school credits and be eligible to move on to Spanish 2 as a high school Freshman!

To take this class: 1) your parent or guardian must sign the permission letter provided (see one of the school counselors); 2) your grades in 7th grade ELA and SS will be taken into consideration.

SEMESTER LONG:

Advanced Tech 1

In Advanced Tech 1, we will build on the tech skills you learned in 6th grade to explore more exciting and advanced topics. We'll start by learning the basics of JavaScript, a coding language, and use it to make fun games in the Construct 3 game engine. To make our games look and sound great, we'll also learn how to create pixel art, animations, and digital music.

But that's not all! We'll dive into 3D design and even get to print our creations using a 3D printer. Plus, we'll work with robots, learning how to design and code them to complete cool tasks and challenges. Get ready for an awesome adventure in tech! This course is NOT a replacement course for PE/Health. ***This class can be taken both semesters.***

Art

In Horizon's Art class, you will develop your creativity by experimenting with a variety of art materials which may include drawing, painting, mixed media, printmaking, sculpture, paper mâché, photography, digital media and more. Whether you're a master crafter or just starting out, this class is a place where you can let your creativity shine. Get ready to embark on a journey of artistic discovery!

Introduction to Fashion and Textiles

In this fun class, you'll learn all about cool clothes and styles from different times and places! We'll talk about why fashion is important and how it has changed over the years. We'll also look at some big problems in fashion today, like how making clothes too quickly can hurt the Earth. But don't worry, we'll also learn about ways to help, like using old clothes in new ways!

We'll try out lots of fun projects like making cool knots with macrame, weaving colorful patterns, and even dyeing shirts with fun colors! We'll also learn how to sew, knit, and crochet to make our own awesome stuff.

This class is all about using our imagination and learning new skills while having tons of fun!"

7/8 Lummi Language

This course concentrates on the Xwlemi Chosen, the Lummi Language and is a wonderful introduction to Lummi Language and Schelangen-our way of life. Hands on cultural activities as well as an emphasis on learning basic skills needed to read and write the language. ***This class can be taken both semesters.***

Leadership

So, you know how it's super cool to be part of your school and do fun stuff together? Well, in this class, we're all about making school life even more awesome! We'll come up with exciting activities for everyone to join in on, like sports, clubs, and events that make our school feel like one big family.

Leadership is not just about having fun; we're also going to help out in our community. That means we'll roll up our sleeves and do things like cleaning up our schools, helping out at local events, and maybe even starting our own projects to make our town better.

Get ready to dive in and be a part of something amazing! We'll learn by doing, both in school and out in our community, making our school proud and spreading smiles wherever we go. Let's do this together!

STEM 7/8 (For students new to STEM)

In this class we'll learn about different kinds of engineering basics by doing fun hands-on activities starting with marble runs, wooden bridges and 3-D drawing! You'll also get to come up with your own awesome invention and even learn a bit about making it work with circuits and coding. Throughout all this fun, we'll also learn some important concepts like friction (that's what slows things down), energy (the power to make things move), and lots more!

Remember, this class is all about doing, so get ready to jump in and get your hands dirty.

Guess what? No boring tests or quizzes here. It's all about exploring, creating, and having a blast! So, who's excited to become an engineer? Let's do this!

Advanced STEM (For students who have previously taken STEM)

In this class we'll go beyond the basics of engineering to create more advanced projects and inventions. Everything you loved about STEM will be revisited, but at an advanced level. Students will have the opportunity to dabble in Robotics and design their own inventions!

Prerequisite: 6th or 7th grade STEM.