



8TH GRADE ELECTIVE SELECTION INFORMATION

GENERAL INFORMATION



How are electives selected in 8th grade?

Students select and rank their elective course choices.

How many elective periods are there each day?

2 periods with a rotating schedule

Which classes are students required to take?

Health and a SELECTED Physical Education Course

What are the foreign language choices?

Students will continue with Spanish, French, German or Latin (every day).

How many electives can I choose in 8th grade?

Students may choose 2 of the electives courses listed below.

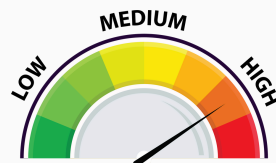
8TH GRADE P.E. CHOICE

CHOOSE ONE

8th Grade Fitness and Personal Wellness (04066804)

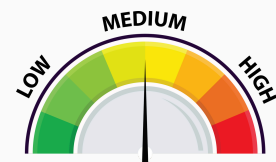
- **Length:** All-year
- **Format:** Combination of classroom, gym, and fitness center settings
- **Description:** This course empowers students with knowledge and skills for a healthy lifestyle, covering exercise benefits, fitness fundamentals, and personalized regimens, including flexibility and strength training.

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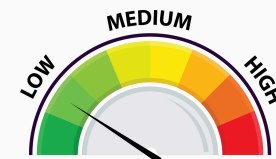
8th Grade Physical Education (04066801)

- **Length:** All-year
- **Format:** Various experiences focused on physical activities
- **Description:** This course fosters an appreciation for physical activity, emphasizing teamwork, communication, and understanding sports rules. It highlights the benefits of daily exercise for physical and social health.



8th Grade Lifetime Activities (04066803)

- **Length:** All-year
- **Format:** Basic exercise routines, non-traditional games, and weight training
- **Description:** The course aims to inspire lifelong fitness, emphasizing social and emotional well-being through diverse activities.



8TH GRADE ELECTIVE OPTIONS

8th Grade Art (04077801)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Explore visual arts through various media, such as drawing, painting, and sculpture. Focus on techniques enhancing observation, form, color theory, and texture skills. Engage in hands-on projects and study renowned artists to inspire personal creations.

8th Grade Digital Art/Painting (04077802)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Learn digital painting skills, including file management, color theory, blending techniques, and texture creation. Follow tutorials to express unique styles and create original pieces using industry-standard software.

8th Grade Family and Consumer Sciences (04117803)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Gain vital life skills in consumerism, nutrition, food preparation, and sewing. Engage in hands-on projects emphasizing teamwork and responsibility, preparing for real-world challenges.

8th Grade Baking and Entrepreneurship (04117804)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Focus on baking techniques for pastries and breads while exploring culinary career paths. Develop skills in cake decorating and learn about entrepreneurship, including marketing creations and starting a baking business.

8th Grade Childcare and Career Development (04117805)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Learn child development theories, evaluate milestones, and create educational activities. Explore career paths in childcare and education, appreciating the responsibilities of working with children.

8th Grade Innovation and Design (04154802)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Participate in design challenges using CAD and digital modeling. Projects may include building CO2 Dragsters and designing LED circuits. Access to a maker space encourages experimentation and prototyping.

8th Grade STEM Entrepreneurship (04157805)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Blend STEM with business principles to create business plans, design logos, and develop prototypes. Learn about digital presence through website creation and marketing, culminating in a portfolio of innovative ideas.

8th Grade Music Technology (04127825)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Explore music technology's evolution and impact. Learn sound editing, recording techniques, and music production software, gaining an appreciation for modern music and its genres.

8th Grade American Musical Theater (04127805)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Study the history of American Musical Theater through singing and dancing. Participate in workshops led by industry professionals to gain insights into theatrical production and cultural significance.

8th Grade Debate (04017850)

- **Length:** Semester
- **Format:** Meets Every Other Day
- **Description:** Develop critical thinking and public speaking skills. Master debate techniques, structure arguments, and conduct research. Participate in debates, emphasizing respectful discourse and understanding differing viewpoints.