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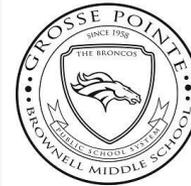
Handouts
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at the Door



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Home of the Broncos “Together We Will”

**260 Chalfonte
Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan 48236**

[Parent Sign In Responder Link](#)

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Mr. Hunwick, principal



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Ms. Bialke, asst. principal



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Our Counselors

Mrs. Oderfer & Ms. Nixon



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Our Office Management

Mrs. Pendolino, Mrs. Sharp, & Mrs. Saravolatz



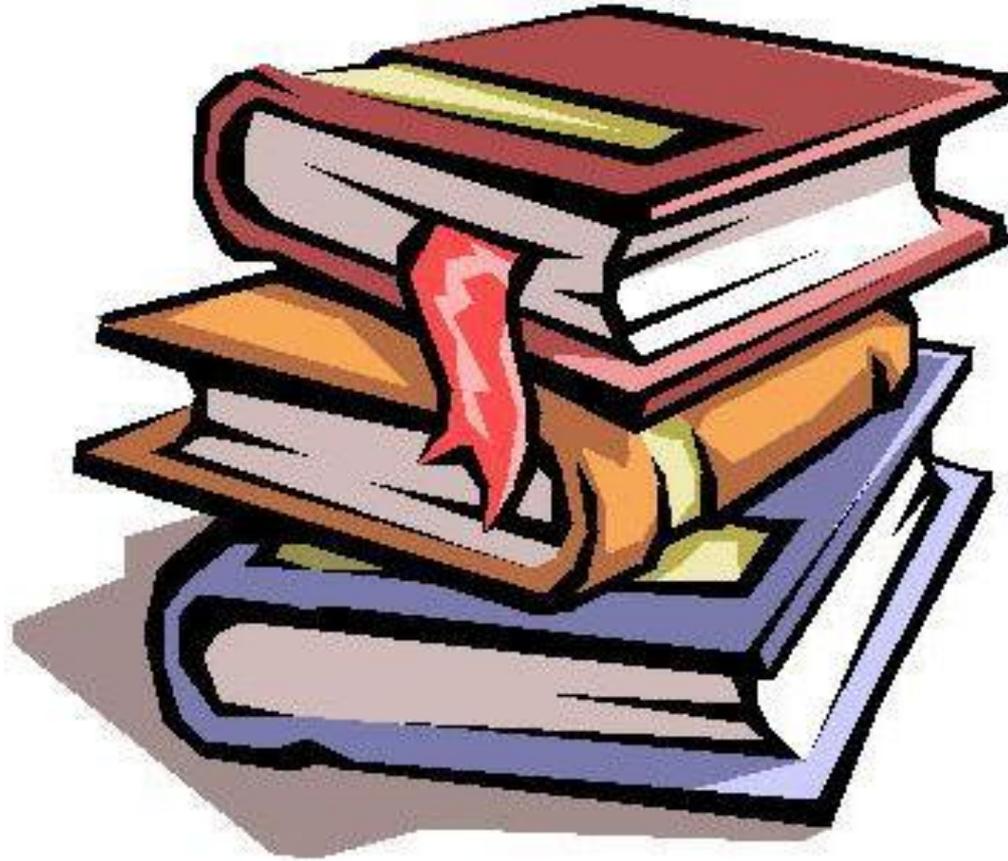
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Leading and Learning

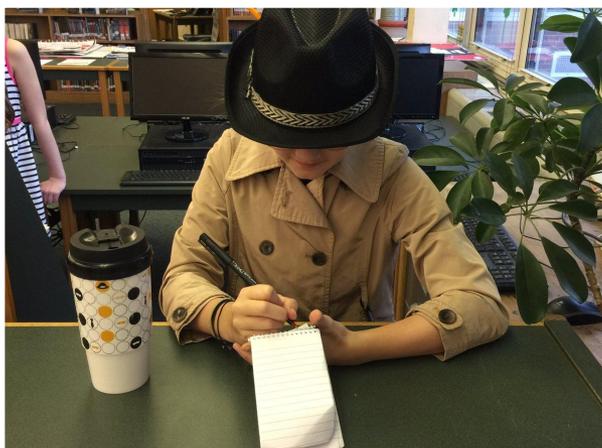


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Core Classes

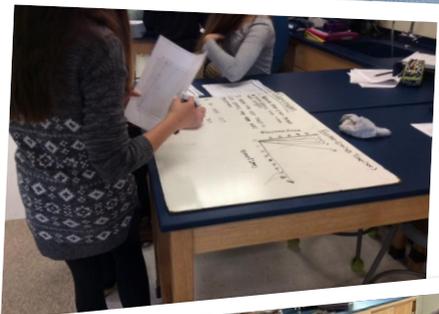


English Language Arts



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Mathematics



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Social Studies



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Science



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Electives



World Language

Spanish/French (Intro, Enrichment, I, II)



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Performing Arts

Choir



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Performing Arts

Orchestra



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Performing Arts

Band & Percussion



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Performing Arts

Creative Drama (I, II)

Explorations in Drama (6th)



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Art Class

Digital Art & Design w/ STEAM (I, II, III, IV)
Explorations in Art (I, II, III, IV)



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Family & Consumer Science

Lifeskills, Foods, & Nutrition



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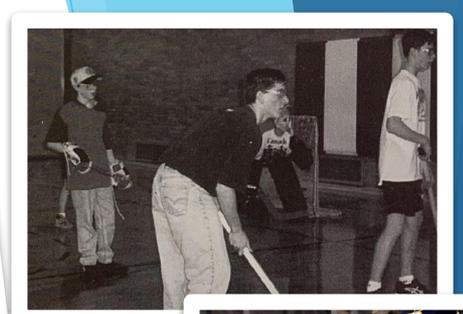
Industrial Technology

CAD, Metal Technology, Wood Technology



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Physical Education



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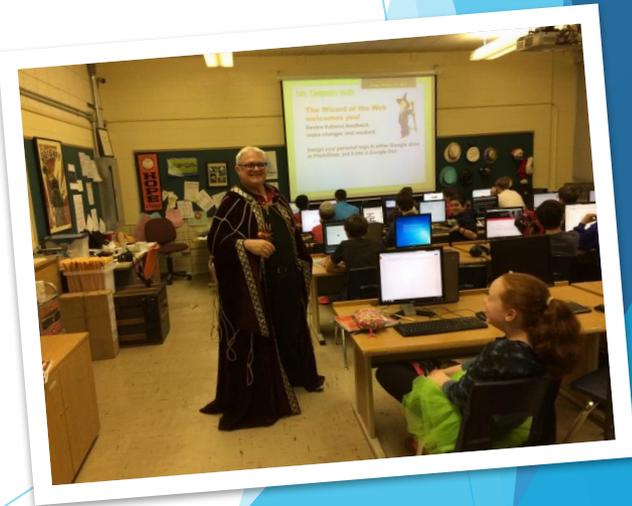
- 5/6th-grade have PE every-other-day all year long to learn lifetime activities & games in addition to build on team sports concepts.
- **Team Sports Categories:** Basketball, frisbee, volleyball, soccer, floor hockey, football, and kickball/softball/matball.
- **Lifetime Activities Include:** Racquet sports, bowling, track and field, lawn games, personal fitness, and cooperative games.
- 7th & 8th-graders select PE as an elective and have the opportunity to earn a boating safety certificate and lifeguarding skills.



Computer Education

Innovation & Design (I, II, II,IV)

Coding (I, II, II,IV)



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Broadcast Journalism

Broadcast Journalism (7th/8th)



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The logo features a stylized bronco in the center, facing left. The bronco is depicted in a dynamic, rearing pose. It is surrounded by a circular border that appears to be a gear or a similar mechanical design. The colors used in the logo are primarily blue, grey, and white. The text 'Brownell Bronco' is overlaid on the logo in a large, bold, blue font.

This is what it means to be a Brownell Bronco

Things to look forward to

5th Grade Camp



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The Clue Party



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Mythology Day



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8th grade Washington D.C. Trip



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Cooperative Games



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8th grade Promotion Party



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Career Day



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Winterfest



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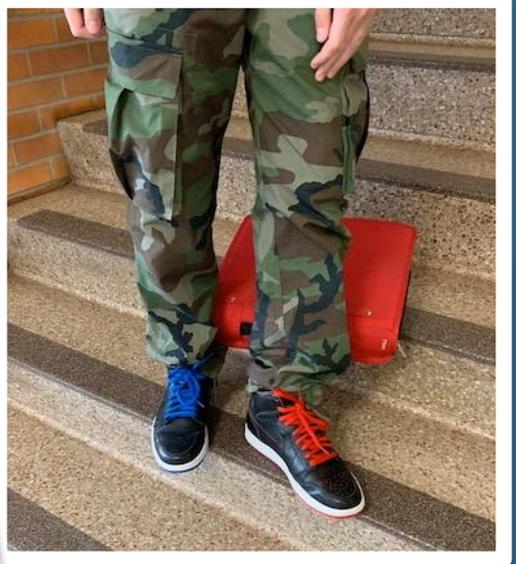
Star Wars Day

(May the 4th Be With You)



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Patriot Day + Red, White & Blue Day



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Color Run



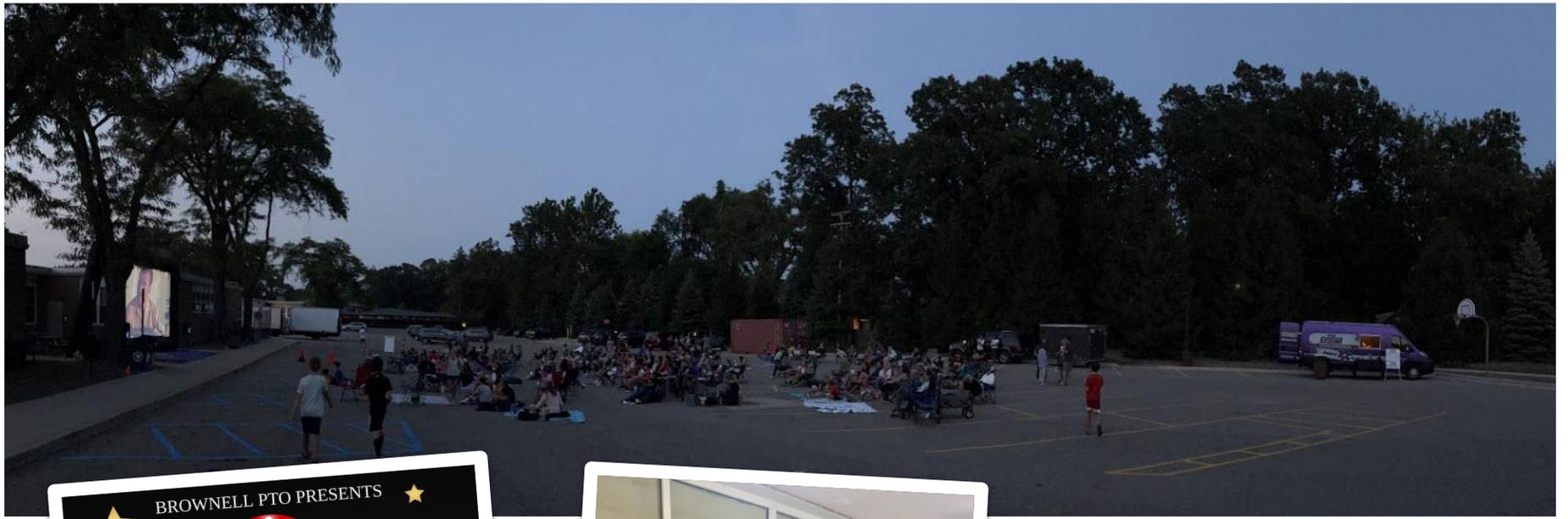
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Clash Day



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Movie Night



BROWNELL PTO PRESENTS

FREE FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Now Showing:
The Sandlot

Friday, September 16

Back Parking lot
Doors open at 7:00
Movie starts at 7:30

- ★ Pack snacks or purchase ice cream at the Treat Dreams truck
- ★ PTO provided popcorn
- ★ Bring your own lawnchair or blanket!

Make sure to stop by the PTO table!



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8th grade Spring Fling Dance



THE BROWNELL CLASS
OF 2024 IS INVITED TO:

8th Grade Spring Fling

APRIL 20, 2024
7-9PM
BROWNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL
Tickets: \$10
On sale during lunch
April 15, 17 & 18

- PUNCH
- RAFFLE
- CANDY
- DJ
- GAMES



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Turkey Trot

the runners
blue call out



When the Trot is over OR you're completed come back into MPR and sit in your Advisory Section



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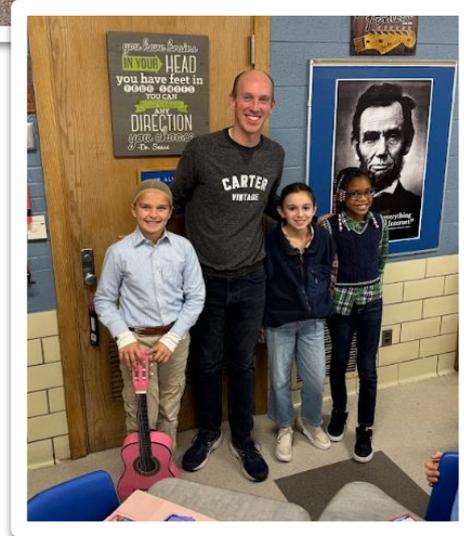


Crazy Hat Day



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Dress Like A Bronco Staff Member Day



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Twin Day



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Ugly Sweater Day



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Jersey Day



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Green-out Day



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Pajama Day



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Hero & Villain Day Day



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Crazy Sock Day



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The Stable



- ▶ The Stable is the Brownell school store
- ▶ Students manage the store and profits go to Brownell and charities

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W.E.B.

(Where Everybody Belongs)

8th grade mentors for 5th grade students



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After School Activities & Clubs



Drama Club



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Running Club



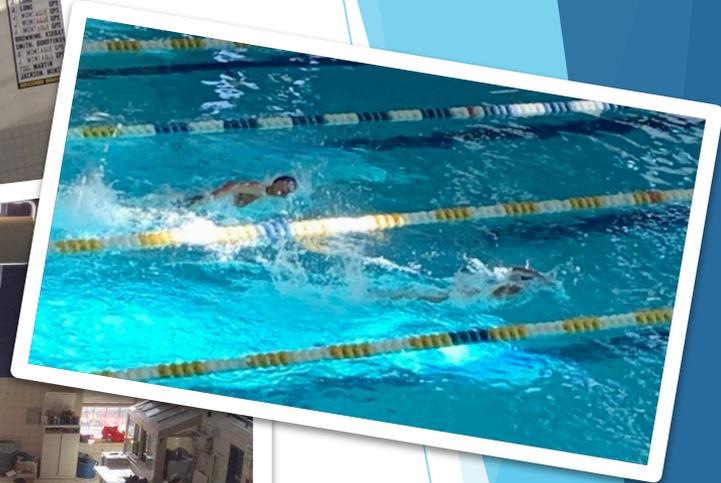
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Swim Club



A digital scoreboard displaying results for school relays. The board is divided into columns for relay types, teams, and times. The text on the board includes:

RELAY	TEAM	TIME
1 Relay-C	PIER	1:45.41
2 Relay-B	BROW	1:56.45
3 Relay-B	PIER	1:56.9
4 Relay-A	PIER	1:38.27
5 Relay-A	BROW	1:46.17
6 Relay-A	PIER	1:56.9
7 Relay-C	PIER	1:56.9
8 Relay-C	BROW	1:56.9
9 Relay-C	BROW	1:56.9



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Yearbook Club



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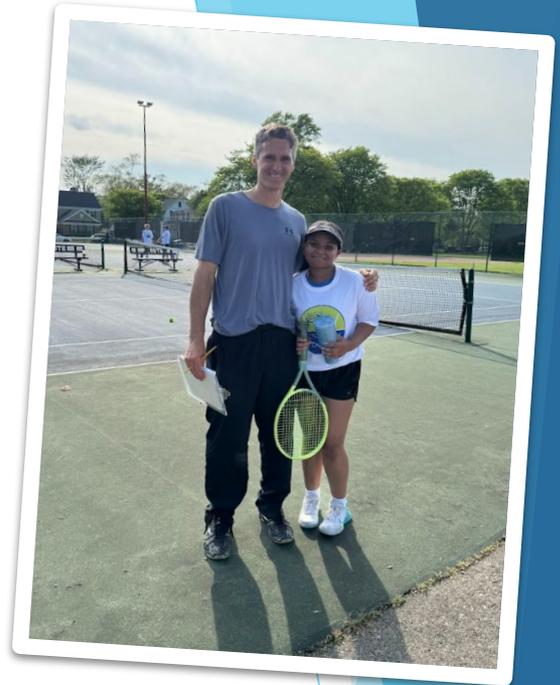
Green Team



Lego Club

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Tennis Club



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Art Club



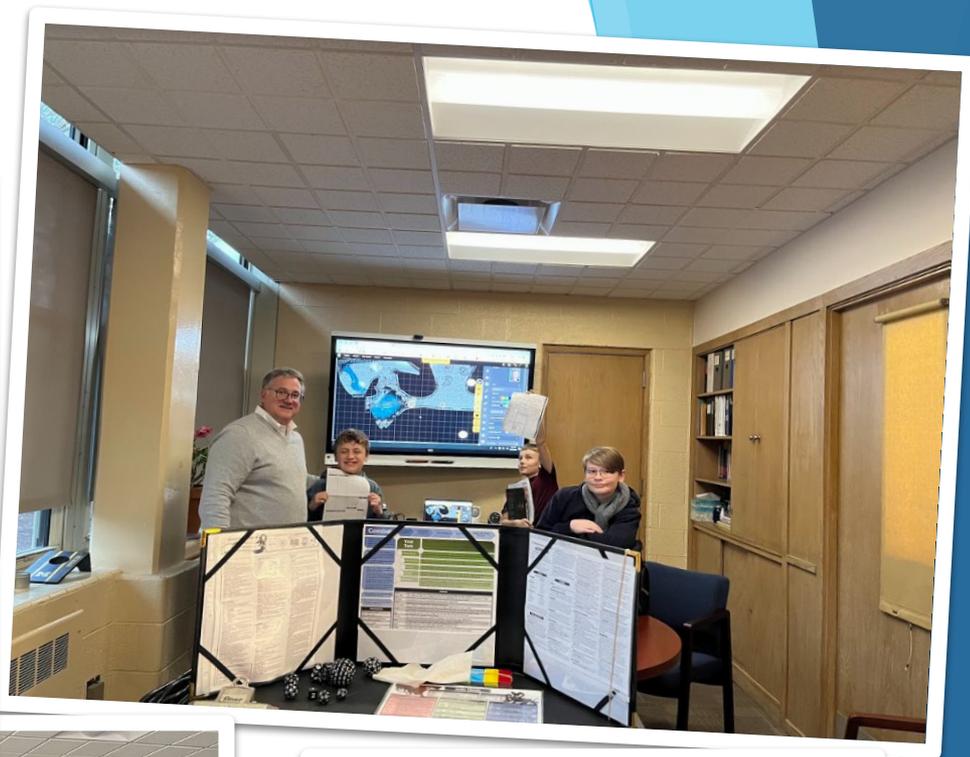
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Game Club



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D&D Club



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Other Clubs

Cheer Club

Peer to Peer

**Radically
Inclusive
Club**

YOGA CLUB

**BOOK
CLUB**

Futur
e
City
Club

Fashion Club

Writing Club

Chemistry Club

**HOMEWORK
CLUB**

**ESports
Club**

**GEO +
SPELLING
BEE CLUBS**

Boys' Basketball



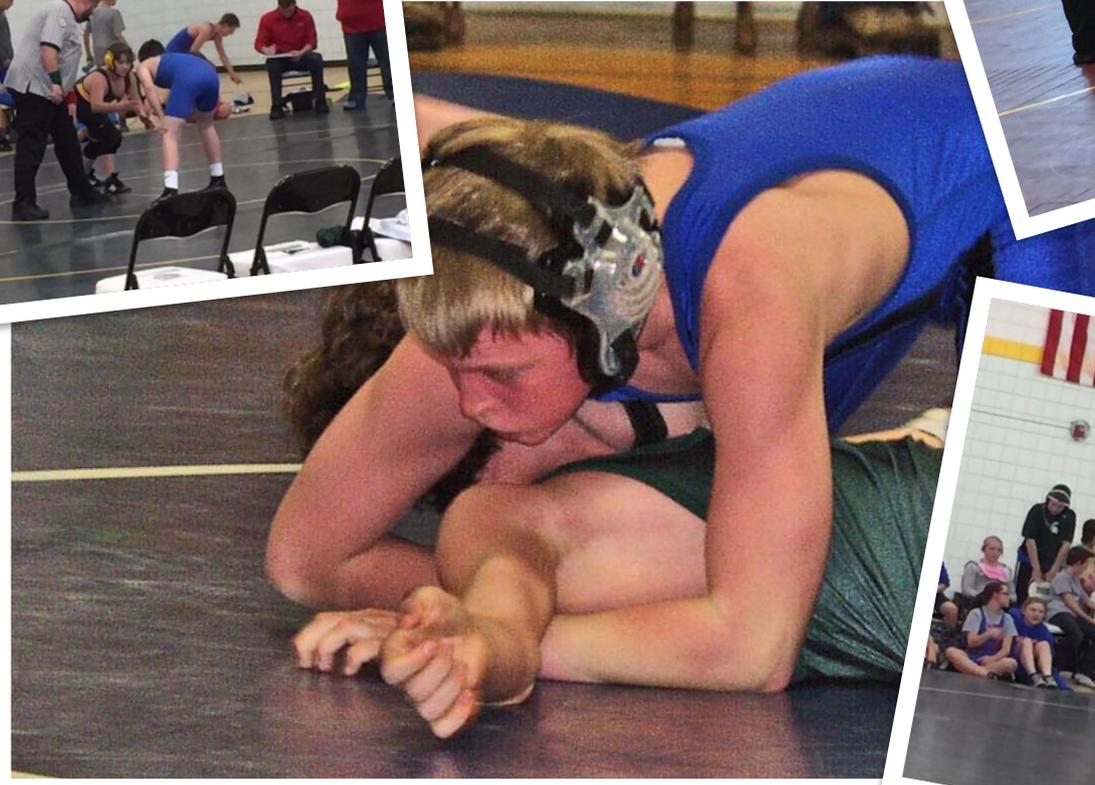
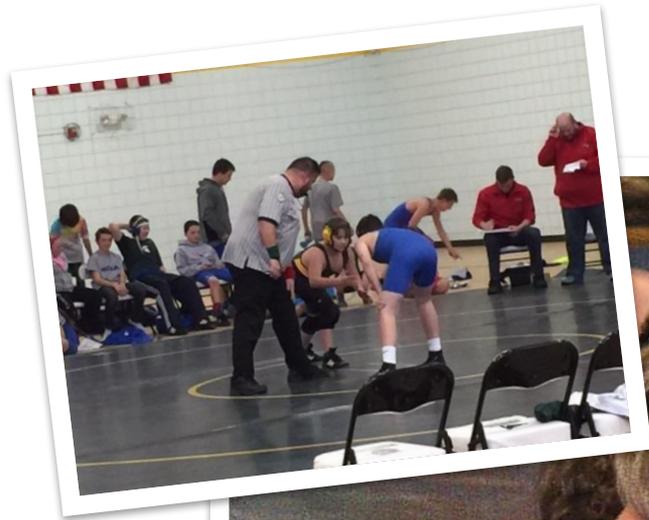
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Girls' Basketball



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Wrestling



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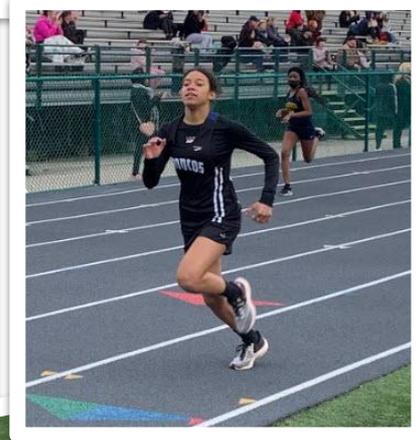
Girls' Volleyball



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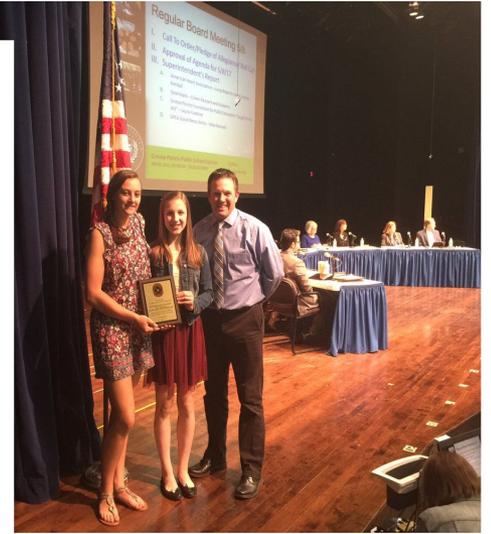


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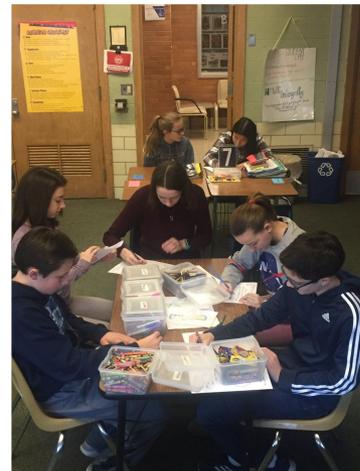


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Community Service



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Student LyFE

Student LyFE is a student service organization



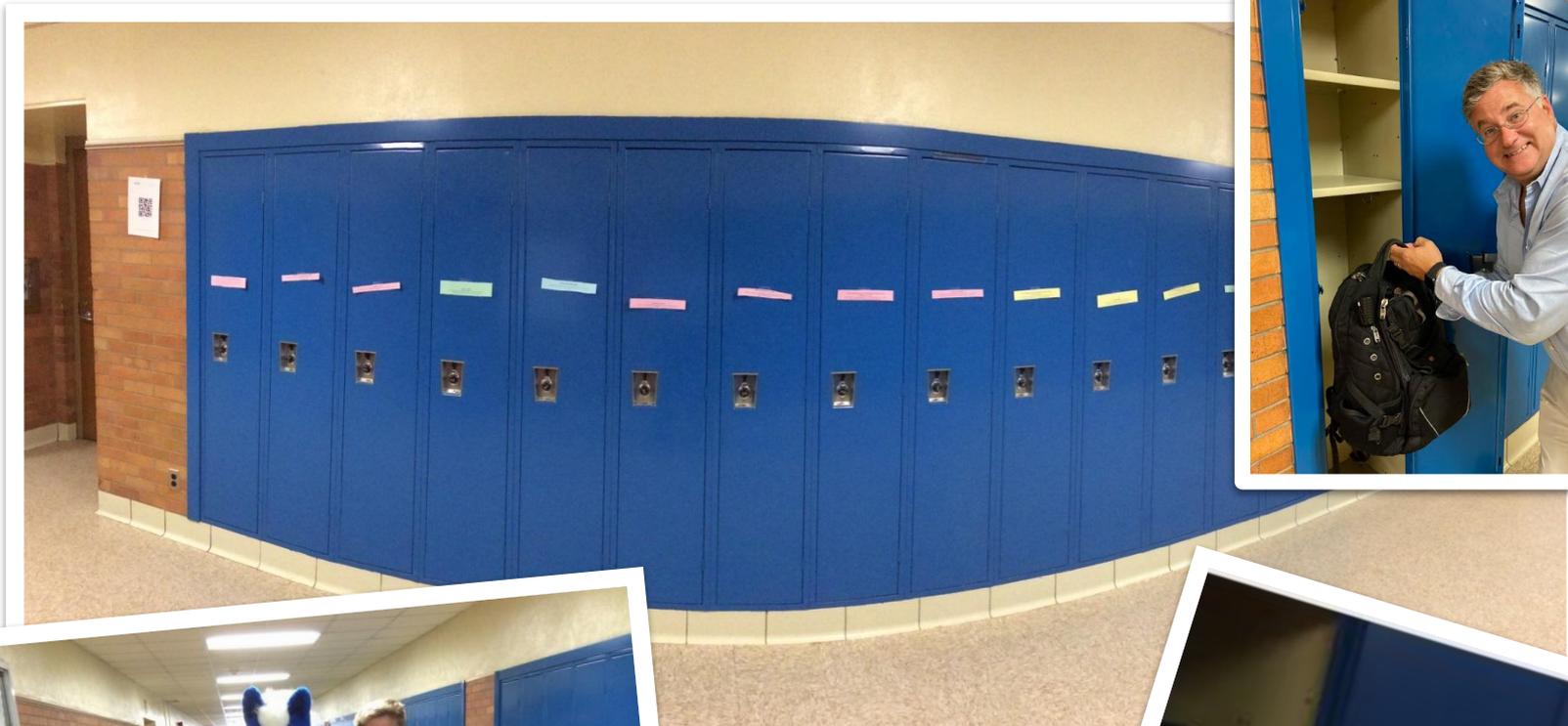
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N.J.H.S. (National Junior Honor Society)



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Lockers: Have No Fear



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Dress for Success at Recess



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Brownell Staff

We are looking forward to meeting you and starting our 4 year journey together!



What to expect when you come to Brownell



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Fifth Grade Camp Overview



bair lake
bible camp

When:

- ❖ Leave Tuesday, September 29 before school
- ❖ Arrive back at Brownell Thursday, October 1 before dismissal

* Office sends communications when we arrive at camp and leave for home

2026						
OCTOBER						
Su	Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa
				1	2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

Where:

**Bair Lake Bible Camp
in Jones, MI**

**(Approximately 3 hours away
by charter bus)**



Camp Activities

- ❖ Climbing Wall
- ❖ Stand Pole
- ❖ Double Zipline
- ❖ Boating
- ❖ Lip Sync Battle
- ❖ Pop Bottle Rockets
- ❖ Square Dancing
- ❖ Egg Drop Contest



Volunteers Needed!

- ❖ 2 parent chaperones per cabin
- ❖ Approximately 20 cabins
- ❖ 7-10 campers per cabin
- ❖ 1-2 camp medical volunteers
- ❖ Sign up to chaperone at registration
- ❖ Chaperones will be selected in the first week of school



Medication?

- ❖ All medications (even over-the-counter) will be managed by our camp medical volunteer(s)
- ❖ Epipens and inhalers travel with cabin chaperones
- ❖ Camp has basic OTC meds like Ibuprofen, Benadryl, et c...



Dietary Restrictions?

- ❖ The camp staff is happy to work with any families regarding a child's dietary needs
- ❖ Contact info for food services will be provided at parent meeting in September.



September Meeting

(Date TBD)

- ❖ All forms and packing lists will be distributed
- ❖ Camp cost and payment instructions
- ❖ Additional orientation meeting for chaperones



Any Questions?

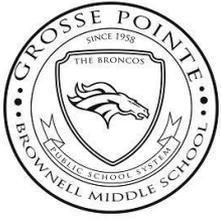
- ❖ **Rodger Hunwick (Brownell Principal)**
 - HunwicR@gpschools.org
- ❖ **Pat Brown (5th Grade Camp Leader)**
 - BrownP@gpschools.org



Thank You!



Brownell Fifth Grade Camp

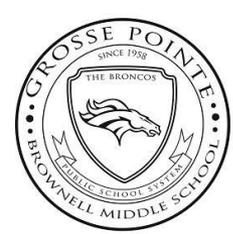


Becoming Broncos



- **Mr. Hunwick visits the Elementary Schools**
 - Montith: Monday, January 12th at 10am
 - Kerby: Thursday, January 15th at 9am
 - Richard: Friday, January 16th at 8:45am
- **4th-graders visit Brownell -- middle of May**
 - Conducted by elementary school like the visits
 - Presentation by the Principal then WEB led tour
 - Typically 9:30-11am with popsicles at end

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Transition & Orientation

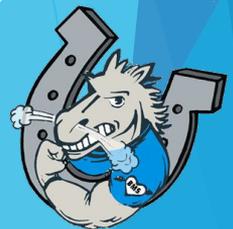
• August Registration

- TBA - typically the third week of August
- Schedules, lockers, and pictures
- WEB Leaders available to lead tours
- Building is open (decorate lockers, walk schedules, & get acclimated)

• September WEB Leader Orientation

- First Day of School the WEB Leaders are available
- First two weeks entire school daily orientation
- All School & Grade Level Assembly(s) build a calming and kind culture

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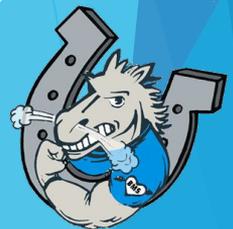
- Brownell is your **transition** from elementary school to high school. We want you to embrace obstacles and hurdles. To F.A.I.L. is the First Attempt In Learning.
- Brownell is your **chance** to get out of your comfort zone: Explore your talents, try new things, and meet new people.
- Brownell is your **opportunity** to grow your leadership skills. Collaborate and work together to attain knowledge and reasoning skills.
- Brownell is your **moment** to develop good habits, skills, and traits that will carry you through your educational journey.

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A 5th-grade Day at Brownell...

- Designated entry/exit locations for all grades
- 5th-grade Homeroom or Extension
- Core Instruction (ELA, Math, Science, Social Studies) w/integrated library/media
- Specials + “Choice” Elective + Support & Enrichment
- Snack 2nd Hour + Lunch Block + Recess



Lunch + Lockers

- Student lunch - \$3.50
- A la carte OR purchase individual items i.e. drinks + snacks
- Brown Bag + access to microwaves
- Individual Locker 2nd Floor in A-Hall
- All Core Classes 2nd Floor in A-Hall

BYOD - Bring Your Own Device

Our district recommends a device with:

- 10” or larger screen
- A keyboard
- Wireless access

When you hear “BYOD” it’s not referring to an e-reader, phone or tablet (without a keyboard attached to it.) We are recommending a Chromebook because of the low cost and great functionality, but any laptop will do.

Off and Out-Of-Sight

- Phones are not considered BYOD
- “Entry to Bell”
- Entry into building
- End of Day
- Office is available to contact home, as needed in emergency situations

OFF
and
OUT OF
SIGHT



RULE FOR ALL NON-BYOD
ELECTRONIC DEVICES

WHAT?

cell phones
headphones
earbuds
tablets/ipads
speakers
other electronics

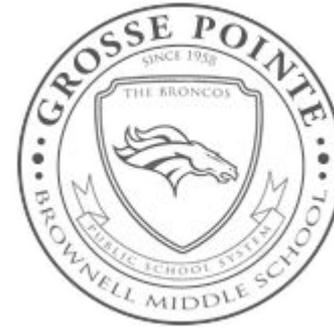
WHERE?

hallways
classrooms
lockers
bathrooms
MPR
gym

Violations of this rule may result in PBIS infractions, confiscation of device(s) and/or electronic suspension.

Student Support Services

- 2 Counselors
- Academic Advising
- Peer Situations
- Problem Solving
- Career Exploration-Naviance
- Social Worker
- School Psychologist
- Speech Pathologist



Academic Supports

- ▶ Academic Assistance
- ▶ Math Foundations
- ▶ Reading Foundations
- ▶ Study Club/PBIS Homework Help



Parent/Student Online Resources

[Middle School Program of Studies](#)

- Course Descriptions

[School Website](#)

- [Sample weekly widely read *Bronco Bulletin*](#)
- [Code of Conduct](#)

[Parent Portal Tab](#)

- Report Card Grades
- Attendance record
- Cafeteria payments



Schoology



Schoology

- Parent and student log-in
- Track course, assignments, assignment status, assessments, grades, teacher comments
- Individualized calendar for each student; generated by their course and updated by their teachers
- Check Schoology at least once each week to monitor student progress; parent notifications
- Schoology APP

How does Brownell Staff Communicate with Parents?

- ▶ Back-to-School Night
- ▶ Schoology
- ▶ Bronco Bulletin
 - ▶ **Every Friday**
- ▶ Brownell Website
- ▶ PTO Meetings
- ▶ Principals' Roundtable
- ▶ Quarterly Report Cards
- ▶ Staff use
 - ▶ Phone
 - ▶ E-mail
 - ▶ Appointment
- ▶ Parent/Teacher Conferences
 - ▶ November, March
- ▶ Brownell Facebook & Twitter

5th grade Course Selection Sheet

- All 4th-grade students will receive the Course Selection Sheet when Principal Hunwick visits the school/s
- Extra copies will be provided to the homeroom teacher
- Sheets need to be returned to the homeroom teacher by **Thursday, January 29th.**
- Questions can be directed to the Brownell Counseling Team

BROWNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL
2026-2027 COURSE SELECTION SHEET- GRADE 5

DUE DATE: Thursday, January 29th, 2026
Please return to your 4th-grade teacher

[View the GPPSS Middle School Program of Studies online for more information](#)

_____ **LAST NAME** (Please print) _____ **FIRST NAME** (Please print)

Students will be assigned a 5th-grade teacher or team of teachers Students will be enrolled in the following core courses :	
English Language Arts	Science
Mathematics*	Social Studies

*Spring placement assessment will inform final placement

Students will be enrolled in the following 5th-grade electives :	
Art 5 - Every Other Day (Semester)	Spanish 5 - Every Other Day (Semester)
ELA Extension - Every Other Day (Year)	

Selection	5th-grade choice electives : Place an X in the selection column to indicate your full-year elective
Put x below: Choose 2	5th-grade choice electives Choose 2 (every other day for the full year) *If selecting both Band/Orchestra and Choir & World Music, the student will not be enrolled in PE
	Physical Education 5 - Every Other Day (Year)*
	Choir & World Music - Every Other Day (Year)
	Band & Orchestra: Brass/Woodwinds/Strings - Every Other Day (Year)

If selecting Band or Orchestra, please rank your **1st, 2nd, and 3rd choices** for instrument:

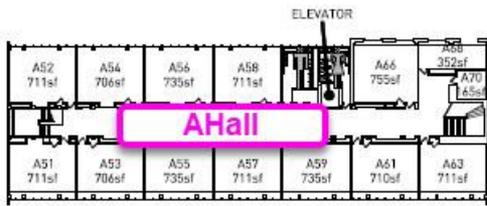
Brass	Trombone _____	Baritone _____	Trumpet _____	Percussion _____
Strings	Violin _____	Cello _____	Viola _____	String Bass _____
Woodwinds	Flute _____	Clarinet _____	Saxophone _____	

Student Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ **Date**
My signature affirms that the selections above reflect my child's choices.

Parent/Guardian Email _____ (please print)

If you have questions about the course selection sheet, please reach out to your child's counselor.



SECOND FLOOR

5th-grade Lockers

7th-grade Lockers

6th-grade Lockers

8th-grade Lockers



5/6th Entry

7/8th Entry

You Are Here

- LEGEND:**
- BOYS RESTROOM
 - GIRLS RESTROOM
 - AUTOMATIC ELECTRICAL DEFIBRILLATOR
 - KNOCK-BOX
 - FIRE ALARM CONTROL PANEL
 - FIRE ALARM ANNUNCIATOR PANEL
 - ADA ENTRANCE PUSH BUTTON OPERATOR
 - BIKE RACK
 - DOOR INTERCOM
 - PROXIMITY CARD READER ENTRY

Brownell Middle School

260 Chalfonte Ave.
 Grosse Pointe Farms, MI 48236
 313.432.3900

EHRESMAN ARCHITECTS

DATE: NOV, 2021



Thank you
future
Bronco Families!



6th grade Course Selection Sheet

Monday, February 2nd –

Hand out course selection sheets in homeroom or 1st Hour

Wednesday, February 11th –

Course Selection sheets due in homeroom/ELA classes

BROWNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL 2026-2027 COURSE SELECTION SHEET- GRADE 6		
DUE DATE: Wednesday, Feb. 11, 2026 Please return to your ELA teacher		
View the GPPSS Middle School Program of Studies online for more information		
_____ LAST NAME (Please print)		_____ FIRST NAME (Please print)
Students will be enrolled in the following core courses :		
English Language Arts*	Science	
Mathematics*	Social Studies	
<small>*Spring placement assessment will inform final placement</small>		
Students will be enrolled in the following 6th-grade electives :		
ELA Extension/Communications 6 - Every Other Day (Semester)	Life Skills 6 - Every Other Day (Semester)	
PE 6 - Every Other Day (Year)		
6th-grade choice electives - Every Other Day (Year)		
Step One: Indicate your 2 primary choice electives by placing a ' P ' (primary) next to 2 courses. Step Two: Select 2 additional choice electives by placing an ' A ' (alternate) next to 2 other courses.		
Band 6 _____	Art/Innovation & Design 6 _____	Choir 6 _____
Orchestra 6 _____	French Introduction 6 _____	Spanish Introduction 6 _____
If selecting Band or Orchestra, please indicate the instrument you play <small>*changing instruments requires teacher approval (see below)</small>		
Violin _____ Cello _____ Viola _____ String Bass _____	Flute _____ Clarinet _____ Trombone _____ Baritone _____	Saxophone _____ Trumpet _____ Percussion _____
*Instrument Change Approval-- Teacher signature _____		
_____ Student Signature		
_____ Parent/Guardian Signature		_____ Date
<small>My signature affirms that the selections above reflect my child's choices.</small>		
_____ Parent/Guardian Email (please print)		
<small>If you have questions about the course selection sheet, please reach out to your child's counselor.</small>		

8th grade Course Selection Sheet

Friday, February 6th –

Hand out course selection sheets in **SS classes**

Friday, February 13th –

Course Selection sheets due in **SS classes**

BROWNELL MIDDLE SCHOOL 2026-2027 COURSE SELECTION SHEET- GRADE 8						
DUE DATE: Friday, February 13th, 2026 Please return to Social Studies teacher						
View the GPPSS Middle School Program of Studies online for more information						
_____ LAST NAME (Please print)		_____ FIRST NAME (Please print)				
Students will be enrolled in the following core courses :						
English Language Arts		Science				
Mathematics		Social Studies				
8th-grade choice electives Step One: Indicate your primary-choice electives by placing a 'P' (primary) next to each course. Step Two: Select additional choice electives by placing an 'A' (alternate) next to the other courses						
Total # of primary choices should equal: <table style="float: right; border: none;"> <tr> <td style="padding-right: 10px;">2 if both are full-year choices</td> </tr> <tr> <td>3 if a combination of full & semester choices</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4 if all semester choices</td> </tr> </table>				2 if both are full-year choices	3 if a combination of full & semester choices	4 if all semester choices
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3 if a combination of full & semester choices						
4 if all semester choices						
Full Year Courses If ONLY choosing full year courses, place a 'P' and an 'A' next to 4 of the courses listed below (2 'P' and 2 'A')						
Broadcast Journalism _____	Choir 8 _____	French I +* _____	Italian I** _____			
Journalism _____	Concert Band _____	French II +* _____	German I** _____			
Phys Ed 8 _____	Concert Orchestra _____	Spanish I +* _____	Latin I** _____			
		Spanish II +* _____				
Semester Courses If ONLY choosing semester courses, place a 'P' and an 'A' next to 8 of the courses listed below (4 'P' and 4 'A')						
French Introduction _____	Innovation & Design I _____	Life Skills _____	Exploring Art I _____			
Spanish Introduction _____	Innovation & Design II* _____	Advanced Life Skills * _____	Exploring Art II* _____			
French Enrichment* _____	Innovation & Design III* _____	Foods & Nutrition _____	Exploring Art III* _____			
Spanish Enrichment* _____	Innovation & Design IV* _____	Adv Foods & Nutrition* _____	Exploring Art IV* _____			
Coding I _____	Creative Drama I _____	Intro to Woods/Metals _____	Digital Art & Design I _____			
Coding II* _____	Creative Drama II* _____	Woods Technology* _____	Digital Art & Design II* _____			
Coding III* _____	Physical Education-8 _____	Metal Technology* _____	Digital Art & Design III* _____			
Coding IV* _____		Intro CAD _____	Digital Art & Design IV* _____			
Broadcast Journalism _____	# of Primary Choices _____		# of Alternate Choices _____			
Journalism _____	* Prerequisites apply + May be offered at the High School Campus/dependent upon course enrollment ** Offered only at the High School Campus Note: Transportation to the High School is the family's responsibility					
_____ Student Signature		_____ Parent/Guardian Signature				
		_____ Date				
My signature affirms that the selections above reflect my child's choices.						
_____ Parent/Guardian Email		_____ (please print)				
If you have questions about the course selection sheet, please reach out to your child's counselor.						

9th grade Course Selection Sheet

- Wednesday, Jan. 7th -North/South Parent Info Night at 6:30pm
- Tuesday, Jan. 20th North and South Counselors visit Brownell and explain courses
- Wednesday, February 4th – HS Course Selection Sheets due in **SS classes (math instructor & parent signature required)**
- Monday, February 9th HS Scheduling in SS classes led by Counselors. Students may ask questions about HS courses.