



# Elizabeth Middle School

## 8th Grade Registration: 2020-2021



All students will be scheduled into the following courses:  
 \*Math \* Language Arts \* Science \* American History \* PE/Health \* Advisory

**Registration Instructions:**

1. Please see the back of this form for elective course descriptions.
2. Check one of the four options below indicating your elective choices.
3. Write in your elective requests plus an alternate if one of your choices is not available.
4. Students and parents/guardians need to sign this form agreeing to elective requests.

→ **Option 1 & 2:** Band and Orchestra are year-long elective classes. Students enrolling in Band or Orchestra will choose 1 additional elective class and one alternate.

→ **Option 3:** Additional year-long elective classes are offered, please select one.

→ **Option 4:** Students who do not choose to be in a year-long elective course will need to choose 3 elective classes and 1 alternate.

**Check your option and write in your requests below:**

**Option 1:** 1st choice: Full year Band

2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Option 2:** 1st choice: Full year Orchestra

2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Option 3:** 1st choice: Yearlong elective Class: \_\_\_\_\_

2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

**Option 4:** Choice of 3 elective classes

1st choice: \_\_\_\_\_ 2nd choice: \_\_\_\_\_

3rd choice: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Name (please print your full legal name)

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Student Signature

*I have reviewed the course descriptions with my student and am comfortable with the choices we have made above.  
 I further acknowledge that our selection is final for the 2019-20 school year.*

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Parent/Guardian Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

### 8th Grade Elective Class Options

## **Photography**

Does photography, photojournalism, and design interest you? Create perfect photographs while learning how a point and shoot digital camera works. You will learn compositional techniques and concepts to improve your perspective. Discover how to edit images and learn about careers in photography. Explore the artistic side of digital photography while meeting deadlines and working on the computer. We have 12 class cameras available for checkout and some work is done outside of class.

## **Studio Art 8**

Do you want your artistic voice heard? Come learn the meaning behind your personal art choices and define your aesthetic. We explore 2D as well as 3D ideas and projects in this class. We create artwork using various themes like fantasy, betrayal, and quest to name a few.

## **Band 8 Prerequisite: Beginning Band or teacher approval \*\*\*Year Long Class**

Get into more advanced methods on your instrument. You will be ready to join the high school band next year as you play even more advanced music and more impressive techniques. Evening performances required.

## **Orchestra 8 Prerequisite: Beginning Orchestra or teacher approval \*\*\*Year Long Class**

Expand your knowledge and abilities in this group of dedicated musicians. Students will be challenged with a higher level of music and develop further skills in orchestral playing. Evening performances required.

## **Choir 8 \*\*\*Semester or Year Long**

This class will focus on building a well-rounded, versatile choir in order to prepare for high school performance ensembles. Evening performances required.

## **Drama 8**

Time for the big leagues! Take your acting to the next level with advanced performance techniques and large group performances. There may also be opportunities for student-directed performances!

## **Computers & Graphics 8**

Do you want to take your love for the computer to the next level? If so, join this advanced-level course to apply real-world skills in a hands-on, project based environment. Projects will integrate core curricular skills and concepts with the ever-changing world of technology.

## **Yearbook (Year-long class by application only)**

Is photography, journalism, and design your thing? Be a part of everyone's middle school memories and help create the school yearbook.

## **STEAM 8 Advanced Robotics**

Are you interested in building your own robot? This class will use the engineering design process to help solve real-world problems using basic programming, electronic boards and sensors. Robotic programming, UV/IR sensors, Arduino Uno boards and servos will be used to help build the ultimate robot!!! Focus will also be on team-building, listening and technology skills.

## **STEAM 8 Engineering**

This class will focus on expanding your understanding of the Design Engineering Process. No previous coursework needed!!! You will have the opportunity (with your group) to work on many different kinds of engineering-related projects in class!!! Students who are interested will also be able to take their projects to the TSA State Conference in February, 2020 to compete against teams from throughout the state.

## **Sports & Games 8**

Sports & Games is a semester long physical education class that will focus on a variety of traditional sports and large group games. Sports may include basketball, volleyball, soccer, flag football, softball, whiffle ball, and some aspects of track & field. Games may include team handball, speed-a-way, ultimate frisbee, whiffle ball, capture the flag and combative. Emphasis is placed on participation, teamwork, game rules, strategies, sportsmanship and fair play. This is a new and exciting opportunity for EMS students that love to participate in sports and games as a means to improving their overall health and fitness.