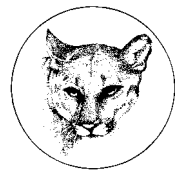




PINES MIDDLE SCHOOL
Carlton B. Campbell, Principal



COURSE SELECTIONS
SEVENTH GRADE 2020-2021

Student Name _____

Please Print (LAST) (MIDDLE) (FIRST)

In order to ensure that your child's records will be forwarded properly, if your child **WILL NOT** be attending Pines Middle School for the 2020-2021 school year, please write the name of the school he/she will be attending: _____

Registering Parent's _____

Home Phone _____ Work/Cell Phone _____

We are in the process of scheduling students for the 2020-2021 school year. Please study the information below on academic and elective courses, as our programs will be developed on this information.

Academics - Scheduling personnel will review recommendations, standardized test scores, and other indicators to determine appropriate class placement for each student.

Required courses for each student are: Language Arts, Science, Math, and Social Studies

ADVANCED MATH (Office use only)
 (Current Math Teacher's Signature Required)

GEM MATH (Office use only)
 (GEM Teacher's Signature Required)

According to policy 6000.1, if your child is required to participate in a remedial course (level 1 or 2 on the FSA test), one or two of your son/daughter's four electives will be reading and or math support.

All 7th grade students will take a PE class.

This requirement shall be considered waived if:

1. The student participates in physical activity outside of school equal to or in excess of the requirement.
2. Due to medical issues, the parent requests an **optional elective** from the list below.

I, _____ (parent/guardian) am requesting a waiver of the State Physical Education requirement.
 Parent/Guardian First and Last Name

I do not wish my child to participate in PE. _____
 Parent/Guardian First and Last Name

Pines has Block Scheduling. This allows students to have up to 4 electives. (Please choose a 5th elective class as an alternate, just in case any of your first 4 choices are not available) Place a 1,2,3,4, or 5 on your choices

SELECT 4 - Every effort will be made to schedule your choices; however, scheduling conflicts may preclude your selection. A class may be cancelled due to insufficient course requests. (HC-Highschool Credit Course)

(See back for elective explanations.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Music Appreciation (All Yr) | <input type="checkbox"/> Symphonic Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Computers | <input type="checkbox"/> Performing Arts | <input type="checkbox"/> Art Illustration | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature & Film |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jazz Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature & Creative Writing | <input type="checkbox"/> Shakespeare | <input type="checkbox"/> Peer Counseling | <input type="checkbox"/> Coding (Yr-1) | <input type="checkbox"/> Spanish 1 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Minecraft Ed Learning | <input type="checkbox"/> TV Production | <input type="checkbox"/> JLC | <input type="checkbox"/> Physical Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Global Scholars (Yr-2) | <input type="checkbox"/> Debate |

Parent/Guardian First and Last Name

Student's First and Last Name

Date

7th Grade ELECTIVE DESCRIPTIONS

ART ILLUSTRATION: Students will learn and practice perspective, landscaping, still life composition, and shading using a variety of art forms and mediums including pastels, chalk, and lead. Students will also get to experiment using technology to create works of art.

CODING (YR-1): Students will learn the basics of HTML web design and how computers function. Minecraft Education Learning will also be incorporated for basic coding functions.

COMPUTERS: Students will learn how to use digital programs while working towards a Microsoft Industry Certification in Word, Excel, and PowerPoint. As you work on projects using a variety of multimedia, success in this elective will make one proficient in these programs, and will be very valuable throughout your middle, high school, and college experience.

DEBATE: (The art of the spoken word) Students learn the cadence and rhyming styles of poetry and other speech, as well as the criteria for building and delivering a sound argument on topics tied to today's current events. This course builds confidence in a student's ability to express him/herself and is a prerequisite for taking Honors Debate for high school credit in 8th grade.

GLOBAL SCHOLARS Yr-2: Only for students who took and passed Yr-1 Students will communicate through an e-classroom with peers from around the world. They have an opportunity to problem solve, collaborate in groups, and share opinions through various online activities. Students learn that although they live in different countries, they share common experiences. This year the Global Scholars are focusing on the effects of urbanization and finding ways to preserve natural areas in cities

JAZZ BAND: The Jazz Band is designed to expose students to the original art form of American music known as Jazz. The Jazz band is an auditioned group that holds extra practices to maintain a tradition of "Superior" ratings. The Jazz Band performs at ensemble festivals and in the community throughout the year.

JUNIOR LEADERSHIP CORPS (Students as Leaders) Students will learn the tenets of good citizenship and teamwork, participate in physical challenges, compete in county competitions, and use the "Seven Habits of Effective Teens" to develop positive personal character traits.

LITERATURE & CRT WRT: Students will read from a variety of genres stories of survival against all odds. They will also delve into the topic of personal and civil liberties to enhance their own set of personal values. Do you love to read, or hope to strengthen your reading skills? Sign up for this engaging course!

LITERATURE & Film: Students will read about fairy tales and legends, complete activities related to fairy tales and legends and watch films in order to do comparison and contrast writing and analyze the literary elements within fairy tales and legends. Different genres will be studied in the same way including horror stories and film, mythology and film, and sports legends and film.

MINECRAFT EDUCATIONAL LEARNING: Students will learn coding techniques and complete challenges within an educational game setting. Math, Science, Social Studies, and Language Arts will be incorporated through game play as well. They will also gain typing skills to help with everyday learning.

MUSIC APPRECIATION: Music Appreciation is a basic course designed to enhance student's enjoyment and understanding of music, historical and cultural perspective, as well as build their analytical and listening skills. No musical background is required or expected.

PERFORMING ARTS: Students will learn a rich variety of performing art disciplines which include drama, choir, and dance. Students also get the opportunity to be expressive and have fun as they experience the performing arts.

PEER COUNSELING: Students are taught to be student leaders and mentors. Students are responsible for encouraging Panther Pride by decorating hallways, developing competitions, and celebrating different events such as Red Ribbon Week, and our various heritage recognitions. They also work with teachers needing assistance, tutor students who are struggling in classes, and develop skills to mediate conflicts between students

SHAKESPEARE: Do you like comedies? Tragedies? Adventure? Shakespeare wrote them all and his classic stories have been told and retold. In this class you will participate in Readers Theatre as you become familiar with current and classic versions of some of Shakespeare's most famous tales. This is a great introduction to the classics you will study in high school and college.

(HC)-SPANISH 1: This high school credit course will give you a head start in acquiring the highly marketable skill of speaking a second language. Learn about Spanish cultures as you learn the basics of reading and speaking a new language.

SYMPHONIC BAND: Symphonic Band is an auditioned group for students who demonstrate above standard playing ability. Members will participate in band evaluation festival and participate in extra before school practices.