This paper will help you select classes for the 2024-25 school year. This paper is only for reference. To select classes, all students will enter classes into SIS StudentVue in TA at school on Jan 22; staff members will help you. This paper does not need to be returned.

Required Courses: All students are required to take: Health \& Physical Education, English, Civics, Science, and Mathematics. You may choose to take these classes at the General Education or Honors level. Select one Math class based on current placement and progress as math classes are sequential. Students must complete Algebra/Algebra HN before Geometry HN. Teacher input can help inform choices.

| General Education | Honors | Level IV Advanced Academic |
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|  |  | Classes |
| $\checkmark$ 720033/34 Health \& PE 8 |  | If eligible, student will take |
| 112000 English 8 | 112036 English 8 HN |  |
| 235700 Civics 8 | 235736 Civics 8 HN | English, Civics, and Science |
| 311200 Pre-Algebra OR | 313036 Algebra 1 HN OR | math course. |
| 313000 Algebra 1 | 314336 Geometry HN |  |
| 412500 Invest Matter/Energy | 412536 Invest Matter/Energy HN |  |
| Please list your current elective classes: | 1.3 |  |
| (You cannot repeat most semester classes) | 2.4 |  |

Students will be scheduled for $\mathbf{2}$ year-long electives, $\mathbf{1}$ year-long and $\mathbf{2}$ semester electives, or $\mathbf{4}$ semester electives. Elective placement is not guaranteed. Some students will be placed in academic elective classes based on progress, programming, or educational plan. All students will also pick back-up electives in case some classes are full or not offered based on enrollment. Year-long classes are not required.

Year-Long (YR) Elective Courses: Courses with an * require completion of a pre-requisite course. Part A Language in the $7^{\text {th }}$ grade is a pre-requisite for the Part B in the $8^{\text {th }}$ grade. All languages carry a high school credit. Taking a language is not required, fluent speakers can take the World Language Credit Exam next year. Music placement will be based on audition.

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139568 Adv Theatre Arts * 511000 French 1 511500 French 1 Part B * 551000 Spanish 1 551500 Spanish 1 Part B *

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|  |551100 Spanish Her Spkrs 1 587000 Korean 1 587400 Korean 1 Part B * 531000 Latin 1 911500 Art Extensions *923210 Band 923710 Orchestra 926011 Soprano - Alto Chorus 926012 Tenor - Bass Chorus 982808 AVID (application required)

Semester (SM) Elective Courses: Courses with an * require completion of an intro/pre-requisite course.139063 Speech Arts Apprec \& Broadcasting
139065 Technical Theatre Arts Appreciation
139067 Theatre Arts Appreciation 140032 Musical Theatre Appr.
616032 Coding \& Innovative Tech 616062 Coding \& Innovative Tech 2 *
660932 Computer Solutions
906962 Career Investigation 826332 Family and Consumer Sciences 1 824432 Family and Consumer Sciences 2


846432 Engineering 1 Design \& Modeling 846332 Engineering 2 Sim and Fabrication * 846362 Engineering 3 Adv Design \& Prototyping * 910532 Art Foundations
910632 3D Art Exploration
911562 Computers in Art
980652 Leadership (application required)
Library Asst (application required, can only be alternate) Office Asst (application required, can only be alternate)

Dear Parent and/or Guardian,

Planning for the next school year has officially begun! Over the next few weeks, we plan to work with you and your student to select classes for the next school year. We are eager to partner to set your student up for success in the next school year and beyond!

In January and February, Katherine Johnson Middle School counselors and teachers will work with your student regarding course selections for $8^{\text {th }}$ grade. On the back of this letter, you will find a course selection sheet that you and your student can use as reference during the process. Students will select courses for next year in class on January 22 by entering them directly into SIS StudentVue. If you or your student wants to make changes, you can do so by logging into SIS StudentVue. Please finalize course selections no later than February 9.

During the course selection process, you will have the ability to select the appropriate level of rigor for your student's core (required) classes. KJMS offers General Education and Advanced Courses to students who are Level IV eligible and students who want the increased rigor of an Honors class. If Level IV eligible, your student will automatically be enrolled in Advanced classes unless you select a combination of Honors and General Education classes. Should you need assistance, please be in touch with your student's teachers or KJMS counselor.

During the month of February, KJMS counselors will meet individually with all $7^{\text {th }}$ grade students for an academic advising session. They will discuss the student's course selections and answer any questions they may have. Enrollment in honors classes is open enrollment, and it is our hope that you will partner with your student's teachers to make these important decisions. Students are encouraged to select courses based on progress in their current courses, academic strengths, teacher feedback, and personal interests. Math classes are sequential, we will share details about prerequisites and considerations during Course Selection lessons. We also encourage you to include your math teacher or counselor in the decision-making process. We ask that course selection be entered into SIS by February 9, but do allow for adjustments to core classed based on end-of-the-year data collected in the Spring.

The course catalog is available on the KJMS website. It lists the required and elective offerings for $7^{\text {th }}$ and $8^{\text {th }}$ grade students. It is very important to note the grade levels and prerequisites that are indicated for each course. Enrollment is limited to courses listed on this course selection sheet. Each student will take five (5) required classes to include: Health \& Physical Education, English, Civics, Science, and Mathematics. In addition, students will have either two (2) year-long elective classes, four (4) semester elective classes, OR a combination of one (1) year-long and two (2) semester elective classes. Electives offer opportunities for support, enrichment, specialization, and exploration. Every effort will be made to place students in their top choices or alternate choices, but elective placement is not guaranteed due to class conflicts, specialized academic programming, and enrollment and staffing constraints. To help ensure academic success, elective support classes in numeracy, literacy, and organization will be scheduled for students based on progress and program services. If your student receives ESOL or Special Education services, an elective class may be part of service delivery. Course Selection choices can be seen in SIS Student and ParentVue and will be finalized over the summer; no changes will be made after the last day of school this year. Elective schedule changes are not made once school has begun. Please be in touch with staff at Katherine Johnson with any questions you may have. We look forward to working with you and a great school year!

